

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

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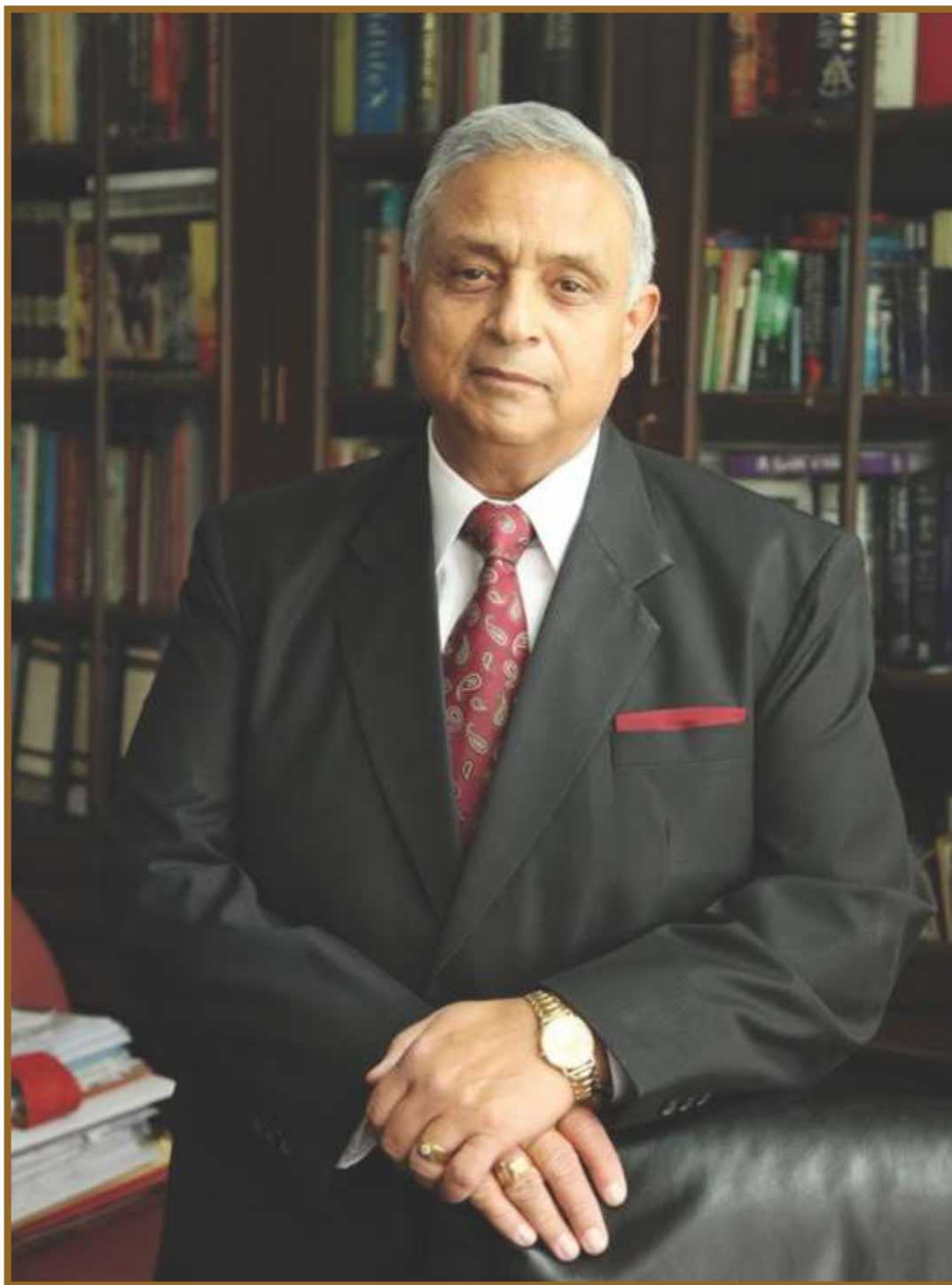
Mehr Chand Mahajan
DAV College For Women
Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

Our Beacon of Light



MAHARISHI SWAMI DAYANAND SARASWATI

Our Guide and Mentor



Dr. Punam Suri Ji, Padma Shree Awardee

Hon'ble President

DAV College Managing Committee, New Delhi



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh has, since its inception, emerged as a premier institution of higher education dedicated to providing quality based holistic education. In its highly eventful and glorious odyssey of 50 years, the institution has not only grown appreciably in all the spheres but also evolved its teaching systems to cater to the changing demands of the times. Conscious of the paradigmatic shift in the education sector in the globalized world, the college has adopted a pragmatic and practical approach to equip its students suitably with both – academic excellence and practical skills.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college, with its highly devoted and motivated team, has been spearheading many effective and progressive steps in this direction. Aware of its responsibility to create an intellectually stimulating, challenging and rewarding atmosphere in the institution, the IQAC planned varied programmes throughout the session for its stakeholders. While the organization of Seminars, Panel Discussions, Workshops, Extension Lectures and Interactions with academicians of merit and renown from across the country and globe aimed at enriching the academic environment, the holding of many skill-based Workshops, Practical Training Sessions, Industrial Visits and Placement Drives added to the employability quotient of the students apart from bridging the academia-industry divide.

Driven by the goal to produce job-providers rather than job-seekers and to promote entrepreneurship and self-employment, short-term skill-based courses were undertaken. Similarly, to foster the spirit of national pride, communal harmony and mutual tolerance, the IQAC, through its constituent Clubs / Committees and Departments, celebrated many days of national significance specified and notified by the Government of India.

Education, it is said, loses its relevance if it does not serve the society. Hence, to inculcate a spirit of humanitarian service and social sensitivity, the students were encouraged to participate in and sustain several Social Outreach Programmes. Equally consistent has been our institutional commitment to environmental protection, sustainability and swachhata. It is owing to our persistent and result-driven efforts that the College was awarded the First Rank in the country in the Residential Category of the Swachhata Rankings of Institutions of Higher Learning, and Third Rank in India in the category of Best Citizen-led Initiative under the Swachh Sarvekshan Awards-2019 by MHRD, Government of India.

Cognizant of the significance of innovation and quality research in the current times, an Institutional Innovation Cell was also established to nurture new ideas and foster inventiveness among students. It is a matter of pride that a member of faculty also won recognition at the State level for her innovative initiative. Moreover, promotion of research received a great boost when apart from the enrollment of 7 Ph D research scholars under its Research Centre in English, generous financial assistance was also provided to undergraduate students of 7 departments for undertaking research projects under the guidance of their teachers.

Thus, with a multipronged approach to sustain quality in every sphere of education, the institution continues to flourish under the pragmatic guidance of our Hon'ble President Dr Punam Suri ji, Padam Shree Awardee. The IQAC works under the able stewardship of Sh H R Gandhar, Hon'ble Vice President, DAV CMC and Senior Governing Body Member, whose time and guidance is amply available to us. I am grateful to Sh Shiv Raman Gaur, Hon'ble Director, Higher Education, DAVCMC for his inspiring leadership.

I appreciate the concerted and focussed efforts of IQAC team under the efficient supervision of Dr Vibha Sharma, Chief Co-ordinator and Dr Bindu Sharma, Co-ordinator, IQAC for bringing out this Newsletter, and for doing so well in time.



Dr Nisha Bhargava
Principal

FROM THE CHIEF COORDINATOR'S DESK

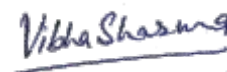
The IQAC of the College, to carry forward its endeavour to impart quality education to the students, continues to initiate and inculcate quality consciousness amongst all its stakeholders. Aware that in the digitally charged and skill oriented national and global environment of today, all need to update their knowledge and hone their skills, the IQAC planned and organized various inter-active sessions, workshops, summer workshops and other activities which are detailed in this Newsletter.



Structured endeavours by the IQAC to enhance quality included designing and putting together a 'Code of Conduct' for the Teaching Faculty, Non-Teaching Staff and Students; designing 'Self Appraisal Forms' for the Teaching Faculty and Non-Teaching Staff; designing forms for seeking Departmental details; and making Curriculum Feedback Forms for the Students, Teachers, Parents, Alumni and Employers. Policies related to Promotion of Research, Sports, Placement and Maintenance of Infrastructure have also been made to establish standard practices so as to ensure quality.

I am thankful to the highly motivated members of the NAAC Core Committee and AQAR Committee for their continuous support and contribution. I also extend my earnest gratitude to Dr. Bindu Sharma, Coordinator IQAC for her indefatigable efforts in making this journey meaningful.

I am extremely grateful to madam Principal, Dr Nisha Bhargava for her steadfast support and guidance in the effective functioning of the IQAC.



Dr. Vibha Sharma
Chief-Co-ordinator IQAC

FROM THE CHIEF EDITOR'S DESK

It fills me with immense pride and satisfaction to present the fourth edition of the IQAC Newsletter. This pride emanates from the fact that its publication coincides with the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of this institution which has carved an enviable place for itself in the field of higher education. The Internal Quality Assurance Cell has, in the last few years, made invaluable contribution in strengthening the institutional commitment to impart quality and value-based education.



The IQAC Newsletter, 2018-19 captures the varied quality-enhancement events/programmes and ventures undertaken by the IQAC in collaboration with various departments and Committees to promote quality at diverse levels for all stakeholders. It is a modest attempt to catalogue these initiatives so as to assess our own progress towards achieving the coveted institutional goal of providing holistic quality learning to young women.

I am extremely grateful to madam Principal Dr Nisha Bhargava for her perennial support and encouragement. I also extend my sincere thanks to Dr Vibha Sharma, Chief Co-ordinator, IQAC for her valuable inputs.

My heartfelt thanks to the highly motivated members of my team, Dr Bindu Dogra, Dr Aparna Sharma and Ms. Madhuleen for their unflinching support and contribution.



Dr Bindu Sharma
Chief Editor, & Co-ordinator, IQAC



INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

The IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell) of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College, Chandigarh is a dynamic body constituted with the purpose of maintaining Quality parameters in every aspect of the institution. It has evolved an effective system of identifying, suggesting and integrating best practices in the arenas of academics, administration and research. The Cell aims to establish high benchmarks of excellence and ensure their achievement by consistently ascertaining, evaluating and sustaining these parameters. Acting as a catalytic force, it serves to stimulate quality culture in every aspect encompassing teaching-learning process.

The Cell provides a common platform for various agencies involved in the developmental activities of the college to ensure timely, progressive and effective internalization of quality at all levels – pedagogical, administrative, management and financial. Guided by the principle of providing value - based education, the IQAC serves to ensure holistic development of the students with the aim of equipping them optimally to face multifarious challenges in this fast changing and highly competitive globalized world.

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ENDEAVOURS AND ACHIEVEMENTS, 2018-19

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell at Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh has, since its inception, consistently shown a zeal to implement the high and noble ideals laid down in the Mission Statement of the institution. Led by its highly dedicated members, especially those representing diverse fields of knowledge and industry, the IQAC has been constantly striving to maintain high standards and quality in all arenas – academics, sports, pedagogy, skill development, evaluation, governance and administration.

As the college entered into its Golden Jubilee year in 2018, the IQAC planned and organized a variety of programmes and activities to impart quality education, proficiency in soft skills, practical knowledge and employability-enhancing capabilities apart from enhancing social sensitivity among the students of the institution. Throughout the session, the stakeholders were provided varied opportunities to learn from and interact with the best of minds through a series of seminars, workshops, awareness campaigns, extension lectures, field trips and industrial visits.

To bridge the gap among the stakeholders, and strengthen the system for a consistent academic and administrative improvement of the institution, the IQAC held its periodical meetings on October 29, 2018 and May 21, 2019. During these interactions, a variety of issues and plans such as increasing ICT based Teaching Aids and Projectors in the classrooms, improving the ventilation and cleanliness of the Canteen, provision of a restroom for mess workers, installation of CCTV Cameras in the hostel etc. were discussed. Based on a comprehensive analysis of the inputs and feedback received from the stakeholders from time to time, new strategies, activities and plans were chalked out.

In the internal IQAC meetings held on February 16, 2019 and March 13, 2019, the members discussed in detail various components of each Criterion stipulated by NAAC such as Teaching Learning Curriculum Development, Learning Resources and Student Support apart from projected programmes for enhancing research, skill development, value-added courses and short term courses. The members also deliberated upon the procedure to be followed while submitting the Annual Quality Assessment Report 2019 online to NAAC in December 2019.



QUALITY INITIATIVES BY IQAC IN 2018-19

The IQAC, with the aim of strengthening quality education and culture in the institution, planned, initiated and promoted a variety of Quality measures, activities and programmes for all the stakeholders. Prominent among these are:

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1	Code of Conduct	For Teaching Faculty, Non-Teaching Staff and Students	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Code-of-Conduct-Teaching-Faculty-Non-Teaching-Staff-Students.pdf
2	Formulation of Institutional Policies:	Research Policy	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Research-Promotion-Policy-2018-2019.pdf
		Placement Policy	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Placement-Policy-2018-2019.pdf
		Sports Policy	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/College-Sports-Policy-revised-7.pdf
		Maintenance Policy for Infrastructure	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Procedures-and-Policies-for-Maintaining-and-Utilizing-Physical-Academic-and-Support-Facilities.pdf
3	Strengthening the Feedback Mechanism	Online Feedback forms to seek feedback on Curriculum from members of faculty students, parents, and employers were designed, collected and analysed	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/naac/#1574668898247-9d668cfa-3e86
4	Self Appraisal Forms	For Teaching Faculty and Non-Teaching Staff	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/staff-performas/
5	Monthly Teaching Plans	For Teachers to plan the delivery of their Syllabus	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/staff-performas/
6	Forms for Annual Reports of the Departments	For Departments to enumerate the Departmental activities and achievements	http://mcmdavwchd.edu.in/naac/#1560748108856-3ba711cf-e2fc
7	Collection and management of Staff related Data	Google Sheets were prepared and shared to collect data pertaining to the Achievements/Presentations/Publications etc. of the faculty and students apart from the activities and achievements of various departments.	
8	Promotion of Skill Development	Experts from various fields from within the country and abroad were invited to hold workshops and deliver extension lectures	

		Skill development Workshops in various fields and interactive sessions were held.	http://mcmdavcwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Urja.pdf
		Industrial Visits and Field Trips were also undertaken.	
		Skill enhancing Short-term Courses were held	http://mcmdavcwchd.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/SUMMER-CAMP.pdf
11	Bridging Industry-Academia Gap	Experts from Industry were invited for interaction with students Industrial/Field Visits were conducted Workshops by Professionals were conducted On job training was promoted	
9	Promotion of Innovation	Institutional Innovation Cell was set up to encourage innovative initiatives among students	http://mcmdavcwchd.edu.in/iic/
10	Utilization of RUSA Grants	Construction of Washrooms for Students and Divyangs Water-boosting System for Hostel Rainwater Harvesting System Procurement of Equipment and Knowledge Resources	http://mcmdavcwchd.edu.in/rusa/
12	Faculty Development Programmes	Faculty / Staff Development Programmes were conducted for both the Teaching Faculty and Non-Teaching Staff.	
13	Promotion of Research at the Undergraduate level	7 Research Projects of students from the Departments of Public Administration, Psychology, Commerce, Fine Arts, Zoology and Chemistry were sanctioned from the Seed Money stipulated for the promotion of Research	



GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

SWARN JAYANTI MAHOTSAV



The College celebrated the culmination of its year-long Golden Jubilee festivities with '**Swarn Jayanti Mahotsav**' wherein Padmashri Dr. Punam Suri, President, DAV College Managing Committee, New Delhi, and his wife Mrs. Mani Suri were the Chief Guests. A galaxy of dignitaries who graced the event included Dr. Rajinder Nath, Vice President, DAV CMC; Sh. H. R. Gandhar, Senior Governing Body Member, DAV CMC; Dr. Satish Sharma, Director (Colleges), DAV CMC; Dr. B. C. Josan, OSD to President, DAV CMC; Prof. A. K. Grover, Emeritus Professor, PEC, Chandigarh; Prof. R. C. Sobti, Former Vice-Chancellor, PU, Chandigarh; Prof. Parvinder Singh, Controller of Examination, PU, Chandigarh; Dr. Gurdip Sharma, Senior PU Fellow and Syndicate Member; Mr. B. S. Sandhu, Former DGP, Haryana and Maj. Gen. (Retd.) I. P. Singh, Director, Mai Bhago Armed Forces Preparatory Institute, Mohali.

The momentous occasion was marked by the laying of the foundation stone of the Golden Jubilee Block and unveiling of the proceedings of the International Conference on 'The Soul in Symphony: Spiritual and Pragmatic Aspects of Happiness' that had given a head-start to the Golden Jubilee Celebrations in the form of a book titled 'Happiness - An Eternal Quest' by the dignitaries present. On the occasion, Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava presented the highlights and achievements of the Golden Jubilee year. The event was also a befitting occasion to recognise and felicitate the assiduous efforts of the Golden Jubilee Core Committee, and the astounding achievements and commendable contribution of the faculty members and non-teaching staff members during the long and meritorious journey of the institution.

PRINCIPAL SHAKUNTALA ROY MEMORIAL LECTURE

‘CONFLUENCE OF SOCIAL REFORMS, VEDANTIC SPIRITUALISM, THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY, YEARNING FOR SWARAJYA AND THE EVOLUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN INDIA: A COMPREHENSION’



As part of the Golden Jubilee celebrations, the College organized '**Principal Shakuntala Roy Memorial Lecture**' on March 30, 2019 dedicated to the memory of the Founder Principal of the College, Mrs. Shakuntala Roy, a great administrator, academician and visionary. The ICPR sponsored lecture titled 'Confluence of Social Reforms, Vedantic Spiritualism, Theosophical Society, Yearning for Swarajya and the Evolution of Higher Education in India: A Comprehension' was delivered by Prof. Arun Kumar Grover, Emeritus Professor, Punjab Engineering College, and Former Vice Chancellor, PU, Chandigarh. Mrs. Manju Gosain, daughter of Principal Roy; Prof. Neera Grover, Former Professor, SNDT University, Mumbai and Visiting Professor, Department of Music, PU; Prof. Pam Rajput, Founder-Director, Department-cum-Centre for Women's Studies and Development, PU and Dr. B. L. Talwar, Former Head, Department of Surgery, PGIMER, Chandigarh also graced the occasion.

SYMPOSIUM / SEMINARS

REDEFINING THE GENDER NARRATIVE - WOMEN AS AGENTS OF SOCIAL CHANGE

A **National Symposium** on 'Redefining the Gender Narrative – 'Women as Agents of Social Change' was organized on September 6, 2018. The event which was a celebration of the spirit of womanhood, witnessed an invigorating discussion by women of eminence on the theme. The Symposium was inaugurated by the first woman IPS officer of India, Dr. Kiran Bedi, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Puducherry.

Other prominent achievers who motivated the students with their views on women empowerment also included Guests of Honour Dr. Kanwal Vilku, first Indian woman to stay in Antarctica for 16 months; Prof. Pam Rajput, Founder-Director, Department-cum-Centre for Women's Studies and Development, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Ms. Saran Preeti, first Female Super Randonneur from Punjab and Ms. Prajwal Busta, the youngest Chairperson of Block Development Committee in India. Epitomizing the values of resilience, determination, endurance and indomitable spirit, the distinguished guests motivated the students with their stimulating stories of courage and conviction, and urged them to challenge the norms of the patriarchal society.



DIGITIZING INDIA: AN ENDEAVOUR TO EMPOWER AND TRANSFORM BUSINESS

The **Postgraduate Department of Commerce** organized an ICSSR sponsored **National Seminar** on November 15, 2018 on the topic - "Digitizing India: An Endeavour to Empower and Transform Business" which was inaugurated by Dr. Dinesh Dua (Chief Executive Director, Nector Life Sciences), Mr. Sofi Zahoor (Senior Director, HR & Operations, Quark) and Dr. S. C. Vaidya (Member, GGDSD Society). The concurrent technical sessions were addressed by Prof. Sudesh, University School of Management, KU, Kurukshetra; Prof Devinder Sharma, Professor, Department of Commerce, HPU, Shimla; Dr. Anu Gupta, Professor, Department of Computer Science, PU, Chandigarh; Mr. Deepak Kansal, Managing Director, XEAM Ventures Pvt. Ltd. and Dr. Tejinder Pal Singh as resource persons. During these sessions 18 papers by young scholars and researchers were presented. These were later published in the form of a Book (with ISBN) edited by two faculty members of the department- Ms. Raman Ghuman and Dr Gunjan.



EMERGING TRENDS AND INNOVATION IN MATHEMATICS

The **Postgraduate Department of Mathematics** organized a DCDC sponsored **National Seminar** on 'Emerging Trends and Innovation in Mathematics' on February 10, 2019. It aimed to apprise the students of the latest advancements in the discipline. Prof. Sanjay Kaushik, Dean College Development Council, PU graced the seminar as its Chief Guest and Sh. H. R. Gandhar, Senior Governing Body Member, DAV College Managing Committee, New Delhi was the Special Guest. The seminar witnessed an enthusiastic participation of over 200 faculty members, researchers and students from institutions across the country.

Delivering the Inaugural Address, Prof S. K. Tomar, Department of Mathematics, PU drew attention towards the application of Mathematics in diverse areas like aerospace engineering, weather prediction, biomedical engineering, computer engineering and agricultural engineering apart from its use in day to day life. Presentations on 'Modelling of Hydrodynamic Instabilities in Porous Media Flows' by Dr. Manoranjan Mishra, Department of Mathematics and Department of Chemical Engineering, IIT, Ropar; 'Reversible Rings and its Generalisations' by Prof. D. K. Khurana, Department of Mathematics, PU and 'Optimisation and its

Applications' by Prof. Vanita Verma, Department of Mathematics, PU, Chandigarh gave the participants an incisive look into various aspects of mathematics. A zealous exchange of knowledge and ideas marked the technical sessions. Prof. Gurmeet Kaur Bakshi, Chairperson, Department of Mathematics, PU, Chandigarh graced the valedictory session of the seminar and felicitated the participants.



CONTRIBUTION OF GURU NANAK DEV JI TO INDIAN CULTURE, LITERATURE AND HUMANITY

A **National Seminar** titled 'Contribution of Guru Nanak Dev Ji to Indian Culture, Literature and Humanity' was organized by the **Department of Punjabi** in collaboration with **Chandigarh Sahitya Akademi** on April 4, 2019 to provide an opportunity to the audience to interact with erudite minds and learn more about Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The multidisciplinary seminar witnessed an invigorating exchange of thoughts on the teachings of Guru Nanak Dev. Renowned Punjabi poet Dr. Surjit Patar, Prof. Satish Sharma, Director Colleges, DAV College Managing Committee, Dr. Madhav Kaushik, Chairman, Chandigarh Sahitya Akademi and Prof. Parvinder Singh, Controller of Examination, PU also graced the event. Over 150 delegates participated in the seminar and presented research papers on diverse topics pertaining to the theme of the Seminar. The valedictory session witnessed the presence of a galaxy of dignitaries including Prof. Jagbir Singh, Delhi University; Prof. Karamjeet, Registrar, PU, Chandigarh; Dr. Gulzar Singh Sandhu, Vice Chairman, Chandigarh Sahitya Akademi and Prof. Rajinder Pal Singh Josh, Ex-Fellow, PU, Chandigarh.



WORKSHOPS

ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY

A Workshop on Photography was organized by the **Department of Mass Communication** and the Photography Club on August 29, 2018 with the aim of providing the budding photographers with basic knowledge in the art of photography. Students participated enthusiastically in the hands-on training conducted by Mr. Rajnish Katyal, a noted photo-journalist of the city. He elucidated various nuances of photography, citing relevant examples from his career in photojournalism spanning over 3 decades.

FUN WITH SCIENCE @ FOLDSCOPE

The **Department of Food Science** organized a series of Workshops under the Foldscope Project, sponsored by DBT, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India from August 31, 2018. The purpose of the project was to promote innovation by encouraging novel thinking among students and motivating them to experiment with new ideas and concepts. The students were given hands on training by experts to assemble the Foldscope microscope and use it to view different food, plant and animal tissue samples.

BASICS OF RESEARCH METHODOLOGY



The **Postgraduate Department of Economics** organized a RUSA sponsored workshop on 'Basics of Research Methodology'. Conducted by Dr. Tejinderpal Singh, Associate Professor, UBS, PU, Chandigarh on October 5, 2018, the workshop sought to develop an aptitude for research among students, and promotion of quality through the application of SPSS for Research purposes.

CONTENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: WORD PRESS

The **Department of Computer Science and Applications** organized a **Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)** sponsored workshop on 'Content Management System: WordPress' on October 10, 2018. The objective of the workshop was to create an understanding among the participants about WordPress as a platform for content management and web publishing, and also to help them grasp the practical aspects of this platform. Ms. Jyoti Sharma, Deputy Director, National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology, Chandigarh conducted this workshop which witnessed an enthusiastic participation of 68 students.

POWER SECTOR SUSTAINABILITY

The **Departments of Zoology and Physics** organized a **RUSA** sponsored 2-day workshop on 'Power Sector Sustainability' on October 24, 2018. During the workshop, various experts sensitized the participants about the current challenges faced by the power sector and deliberated upon reforms to chart a sustainable future. Dr. Tarlochan Kaur, Chairperson, Center for Energy Studies, PEC, Chandigarh delivered a talk on 'The Development of Sustainable Future for India's Electricity Sector and Recent Changes in Renewable Energy Resources' and 'Smart Grid Technology.' Mr. Sanjeev Verma, Head of Solar Department, Multi Overseas India Pvt. Ltd. gave a demonstration of solar panels. Ms. Sachpreet Kaur, PEC, Chandigarh gave a highly informative talk on 'Demand Response using MATLAB Platform' on the occasion.

LITERATURE AND TRENDS IN CONTEMPORARY INDIAN WRITINGS

The **Postgraduate Department of English** organized a workshop on 'Literature and Trends in Contemporary Indian Writings', conducted by a prominent writer, Ms. Suparna Saraswati Puri on November 3, 2018. The workshop witnessed deliberations upon writings of various contemporary Indian writers and their literary styles. The expert also held an interactive and hands-on-training session on the art of storytelling and creative writing.

PAINTING MURALS

The **Department of Fine Arts** organized a Workshop on Painting Murals on November 11, 2018 which was conducted by a popular artist Mrs. Santosh Verma from Pidilite Industries Ltd. Based on the theme of Gujarati art, the workshop aimed to teach the traditional art of painting Murals to the students.

The expert taught the young artists nuances of painting on large surfaces. The students displayed their artistic talent by painting colourful murals on some walls of the college.



INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

With a vision to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship, the **Institution Innovation Council (IIC)** held a Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) on January 22, 2019. Conducted by an IPR expert Dr. Gurmeet Kaur Nanda, Principal Associate (Patents), IIPRD and Khurana & Khurana Advocates and IP Attorneys, the workshop was attended by over 500 members of staff and students. Dr. Gurmeet provided an insight into various aspects of Intellectual Property Rights, its significance and protection. It was followed by an interactive session.

ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF MEDIA



The **Postgraduate Department of English** in collaboration with **IQAC**, organized a workshop on 'Role and Responsibility of Media' on January 31, 2019 with the aim to apprise the students of the responsibilities of media in a democratic setup. Ms. Suparna Puri, a prominent media professional, enlightened the students about the multiple formats of Media prevalent today such as social media, broadcast news, popular culture, etc. The workshop witnessed an enthusiastic participation of 58 students. Split into 3

sessions, it aimed to analyze media from the perspective of consumption, production and ethical responsibility. It also provided insights into the career avenues open for young students in media.

SKILL ENHANCEMENT & PRACTICAL TRAINING

MAKING ENERGY BARS AT HOME

With the aim of developing entrepreneurial skills among students in the field of health and nutrition management, the **Skill Development Committee** organized a workshop on 'Making Energy Bars' under its Short-term Course in Food and Nutrition. In the event conducted by Ms. Seaza Bhardwaj, Founder, Green Loom, Chandigarh, the participants acquired the skill of making healthy energy bars at home. Ms. Saeza averred that in this age of stressful living and paucity of time, people indulge in unhealthy snacking to satisfy food cravings and a healthy alternative to this is a tasty Energy Bar that adds to one's nutritional intake.

MEDITATION-THE MOST IMPORTANT LIFE SKILL



The **Department of Philosophy and Skill Development Committee** held a lecture cum interactive session on 'Meditation-the Most Important Life Skill' on October 5, 2018 in order to help students cope with the challenges of a fast-paced and potentially stressful lifestyle, and achieve life's ultimate goal - self-realisation. Swami Krishnananda Giri delivered a spiritually elevating lecture to 400 participants, including students and members of the staff, wherein he impressed upon the audience the value of meditation and its techniques.

ART OF BONSAI MAKING

The **Department of Botany** organized a hands-on-workshop sponsored by DBT, Government of India on 'Art of Bonsai Making' on October 13, 2018. Aimed at enhancing the skills of students in the techniques of Bonsai cultivation, the workshop was conducted by Dr. Jaspreet Kaur, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

More than 30 students participated enthusiastically in this highly informative workshop. Dr. Kaur familiarized the students with various types of bonsais, soil preparation for making bonsai, their upkeep and also gave a step by step demonstration of making bonsai at home.



HOLISTIC WELLNESS- A PHILOSOPHICAL AND PRACTICAL APPROACH

The **Department of Philosophy** organized a one-day skill based workshop on 'Holistic Wellness- A Philosophical and Practical Approach' on October 31, 2018. It aimed to equip the participants with the knowledge and skills to maintain overall wellness. It was conducted by a Wellness Expert Mr. Suneet Joshi who provided an insight into the philosophy of health, importance of breath, customizing techniques and relaxation techniques. Over 200 students and faculty members benefited from this workshop.

BAKERY AND DESSERTS

With the aim of honing the skills of budding home scientists, the **Department of Home Science** organized a 2-day workshop on Bakery and Desserts on February 13-14, 2019. Over 30 students participated in this workshop that was conducted by culinary expert and coach Ms. Sanyogita.

On the first day, the participants learnt the art of making masala bread, focaccia and cookies, while on the second day, the expert demonstrated dessert making that included peas rabri, layered mousse and instant oreo cake. On the completion of the workshop, the participants showcased their culinary skills by preparing the dishes learnt during the workshop.



WORKSHOP ON 'WARLI' ART

The **Department of Fine Arts** in collaboration with **NSS Unit** of the college organized a 5-day workshop on Warli Art from February 16-20, 2019 with the aim of honing the skills of students in this specialized art form which is reflective of rich Indian culture and traditional art. Dr. Pooja Sharma, Head, Department of Fine Arts, conducted this workshop to teach the students various nuances of Warli Art. Showcasing the artistic skills learned during the workshop, the participants gave an aesthetic look to the walls of the college Administration Block by painting them with intricate Warli figures engaged in different activities of daily routine.

RESUME WRITING



The **Skill Development Committee** organized a workshop for students on Resume Writing on February 17, 2019 to hone their skills in the art of writing effective resumes according to the latest norms. The workshop was conducted by Prof. Deepti Gupta, Chairperson, Department of English and Cultural Studies, PU, Chandigarh. Prof. Gupta apprised the participants about the diverse elements of an ideal resume, and dwelt upon each element in detail seeking to make them proficient in the art of resume writing. A personalized CV making and evaluation session was also held to give the participants hands on experience in drafting their resumes.

CULTIVATION OF OYSTER MUSHROOM

The **Department of Food Science** in collaboration with **Skill Development Committee** organized a two-day Workshop on “Cultivation of Oyster Mushroom (Dhingri)” on March 13 and 14, 2019 to impart hands-on-training in the cultivation of oyster mushrooms in used plastic bottles using combination of agro and garden waste. The students were taught all technical and theoretical aspects of mushroom cultivation in four modules to give training in spawn production, substrate collection and sterilization, filling of bottles and bags through spawn layering technique, identifying and optimizing spawn run, pinning and harvesting stages. A total of 47 students from various colleges participated in this workshop.

COGNITIVE SKILLS, DESIGN THINKING AND CRITICAL THINKING

The **Institution Innovation Council (IIC)** organized a workshop on the theme 'Cognitive Skills, Design Thinking and Critical Thinking' on April 4, 2019. Dr. Shilpa Suri, Deputy Chairperson, CII Indian Women Network, Tricity Chapter sensitized 47 students and 16 members of faculty about the cognitive skills that are required for the making of a successful entrepreneur. The participants also explored various techniques and activities to enhance their latent cognitive, creative and critical thinking skills.

NUTRITION AND DIET SKILLS FOR LIFE

The **Department of Food Science** conducted a seven-day Workshop on Nutrition and Diet Skills for Life from May 31–June 6, 2019 with a vision to strengthen and promote the concept of healthy foods and the role of nutrition in our everyday lives. Dietician Deepti Goyal, a member of Indian Dietetic Association, generated awareness on issues relevant to health and nutrition including PCOD, obesity, thyroid disorders, FAD Diets, eating disorders, importance of mindful eating etc. She also imparted hands-on-training on superfood recipe making, customized diet management and diet planning for different age-groups.

BE A HEALTH MANAGER

A series of workshops across 60 hours from February 16 to April 16, 2019 titled 'Be a Health Manager' was initiated by the **Skill Development Committee** to equip women with skills in the area of food and nutrition through 23 intensive sessions that included 12 interactive sessions and 11 hands on training sessions on issues pertaining to nutritional deficiencies, meditation, yoga and healthy cooking. Hands-on workshops on making organic body-care products, multigrain cookies, guilt free cakes, etc. were also held. The programme was an amalgamation of practical and theoretical knowledge to help women manage the health of those around them apart from their own.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS

The **Postgraduate Department of English** held a 4-day workshop on English language and Communication Skills on June 15-18, 2019. It witnessed an enthusiastic participation of 25 participants including students, research scholars, social workers and housewives. The sessions focused on acquiring and strengthening communication skills, creative writing skills and skills to navigate effectively through group discussions and personal interviews.

ENERGY CONSERVATION AND ASSEMBLING OF LED BULBS

The **Department of Physics** conducted a two-day workshop on Energy Conservation and Assembling of LED Bulbs on April 17, 2019. Under this initiative the participants were sensitized about the importance and ways of energy conservation. They were also made aware of the benefits of LED lights in reducing power consumption. Providing hands on experience to the participants, practical sessions on assembling of LED bulbs were conducted in the Physics Lab under the guidance of Dr. Yogita Batra. An exhibition of the LEDs prepared was also put up after the completion of the workshop.

FABRIC ORNAMENTATION - HASTKALA



The **Department of Home Science**, under the aegis of **IQAC**, organized a 10-day skill development 'Workshop on Fabric Ornamentation-Hastkala' from May 28 to June 3, 2019. The workshop included intensive sessions on the art of tie and dye, khaadi block printing, fabric painting, embroidery and embellishments. All the 30 participants put up a unique exhibition showcasing the beautiful work done by them during the workshop. A visual treat for the lovers of art, it exhibited traditional bandhani dupattas, articles like suits, jeans, jute bags, pouches, potlis, etc made with different techniques of tie and dye. The participants were also awarded certificates.

EVENT MANAGEMENT

The **Department of Mass Communication** organized an 8-day skill development workshop on 'Event Management' from June 1 to June 8, 2019. 34 participants from various colleges of Chandigarh took part in it. The workshop was conducted by experts from various industries such as Mr. Maninder Sethi, Director, Excelsior Public Relations, Brand Wedding Asia, and Editor, La Polo; Dr. Aarti Kapur Singh; Mr. Gurdas Jassal of World Film and Arts Organization; Mr. Sahil Shandilya from All Rise Events; Mr. Bhanu Ahuja, Director, Studio 69, Plan My Shaadi Pvt.Ltd., and Ms. Vimmi, Project Head, Plan My Shaadi Pvt. Ltd. During the workshop, the participants were introduced to the world of event management; layout of the event; crisis management, safety arrangements, risk management, contingency planning; logistics planning etc.

LEARNING FRENCH

The **Skill Development Committee** organized an 8-day workshop from June 28 to July 5, 2019 on Learning French with the aim to make the participants conversant with one of the major languages of the world. Communicative sessions, teaching pronunciation through listening to audios and introduction to French grammar and vocabulary helped the participants acquire communicative skills in French.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING



The **Department of Fine Arts** organized a **Rashtriya Uchhatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)** sponsored workshop on Water Colour Painting on March 13, 2019. The aim was to hone the skills of the budding artists of the department in painting with watercolors. Sh. Bheem Malhotra, Chairperson, Lalit Kala Akademi, Chandigarh conducted this workshop. He demonstrated the art of landscape painting and colour strips to enhance the artistic skills of the students.

SANITARY NAPKIN MAKING AND DONATION DRIVE

In an event seeking to further the cause of Swachhata, the **Women Development Cell**, under the aegis of **IQAC**, organized a workshop on Sanitary Napkin Making on February 22, 2019. Mrs. Jyotsna Khanna, Head, Department of Home Science conducted this unique workshop wherein the participants learnt to make affordable eco-friendly sanitary napkins from materials easily available at home. The Cell also organized a Sanitary Napkin Donation Drive that witnessed an enthusiastic contribution by staff and students in making menstrual hygiene possible for the women from the underprivileged sections of the society.



COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS ON MATLAB

The **Postgraduate Department of Mathematics** organized a 2-day skill enhancement workshop titled 'Computational Mathematics on MATLAB' sponsored by **Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)** on November 4 and 5, 2018. Prof. Gurmeet Kaur Bakshi, Chairperson, Department of Mathematics, PU, Chandigarh was present as the Chief Guest for the inaugural session. The workshop, conducted by Dr. Anuj Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science and Applications, PU witnessed an enthusiastic participation of over 80 students. During the highly informative sessions on MATLAB, Dr. Anuj apprised the participants of the multidisciplinary applicability of the software, its basics, and user-defined functions. Prof. S. K. Tomar, Department of Mathematics, PU presided over the valedictory session.

SUSTAINABLE URBAN FARMING

The **Skill Development Committee** organized a series of Workshops from July 2018 to June 2019 on Sustainable Urban Farming in which Mr. Rahul Sharma, the resource person, taught the participants how to make soil beds, sow seeds and control predators of plants. Beginning from August 23, a total of 11 workshops were held out of which three were sponsored by RUSA. Several fruit trees including those of tamarind, pomegranate, lichi and plum were purchased and planted at various places in the college. A variety of vegetables such as lady fingers, carrots, radishes, broccoli, spinach, onion, lettuce etc. were also grown by the students apart from micro greens, makka, bajra, and lobia beans.



INNOVATIVE COURSES

BRIDGE COURSE IN ECONOMICS



The **Skill Development Committee** began a 7-day bridge course for beginners in Economics from June 24, 2019 to July 1, 2019. Aiming to acquaint the freshers with the basic nuances in the field of Economics, the course aimed to introduce aspiring economists to its varied dimensions. Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava, an expert in Energy Economics, delivered the inaugural lecture on the topic- 'An Introduction to Economics,' and introduced the students to the definitions, main branches and career options in the field of Economics. She also shed light on the role of scholars such as Adam Smith, Alfred Marshall, Lionel Robbins, Paul Samuelson and Kautilya apart from introducing the learners to Micro and Macro Economics. The participants also got an insight into the career avenues in IAS, IES, State Civil Services, Banking and Insurance, National and International Financial Services, Ministry of Agriculture, Planning and Implementation, and various other fields.

SHORT TERM COURSE ON AESTHETIC LIVING

Under the aegis of the **Skill Development Committee**, an 11-day skill enhancement workshop on interior designing and Vastu Shastra was organized from June 3 to June 14, 2019 with the aim to equip participants with both - skill in interior design and the knowledge of Vastu. Ms. Munmun, Vastu and Numerology expert; Ms. Kashish Mahajan, Founder, Kama Design Studio, Chandigarh and Ms. Aarushi Jain conducted seven insightful sessions wherein the participants learnt about the fundamentals of vastu, architecture and design, space planning and visualizing design. The highlight of the Course was Studio Day wherein all the 32 participants displayed their interior mood boards. The best presentation was awarded an internship at Kama Design Studio, Chandigarh.

NEW ENDEAVOURS

SKA-ASIA QUIZ COMPETITION 2018

The **Department of Food Science**, in association with Confederation of Indian Industry's Surakshit Khadya Abhiyan (CII-SKA) and Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), hosted the 17th round of SKA-Asia Quiz Competition 2018 supported and sponsored by Star College Scheme, DBT, Ministry of Science and Technology on December 7, 2018. SKA - is a Pan-India initiative of CII to provide Food Safety through Awareness and Capacity building of stakeholders. It initiated a Quiz Competition on Food Safety for Colleges to promote awareness on Food Safety and hygiene practices amongst college students and inspire them to work towards preventing and reducing the risk of food-borne diseases.

EXTENSION LECTURES

A TRIBUTE TO MUNSHI PREMCHAND

The **Postgraduate Department of Hindi** organized an extension lecture by a literary scholar Sh. Jung Bahadur Goyal to pay tribute to Munshi Premchand, the great luminary in the field of Hindi Literature on August 1, 2018 to celebrate his birth anniversary. On this occasion, Premchand's critically acclaimed novel 'Godaan' was showcased and an exhibition of books in Hindi was also organised.

ROAD SAFETY AND FIRST AID

The **Skill Development Committee** organised a lecture cum demonstration on Road Safety and First Aid on August 3, 2018. Ms. Amol Kaur, Project Coordinator- Mission Salamati, Sambhav Foundation, Bangalore delivered a highly enlightening lecture on Road Safety, wherein she iterated that it is the biggest challenge faced by India. She called for owning responsibility in ensuring the safety of our own selves as well as others on the road. The Committee also organized a demonstration on First Aid by Dr. Rakesh Khullar, Chief Medical Officer, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

SANSKRIT VAAK KI DISHAAYEN

The **Department of Sanskrit** organized a lecture cum interactive session on October 12, 2018 on 'Sanskrit Vaak ki Dishaayen' by Prof. Virendra Kumar Alankar, Chairperson, Department of Sanskrit and Director, Dayanand Chair for Vedic Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh. Prof. Alankar, while highlighting the importance of Sanskrit language averred how the West has also realized the value of India's rich cultural heritage and is emulating her Vedic teachings.

DECODING BUDDHA THROUGH ART

The **Department of History** organized an extension lecture on 'Decoding Buddha through Art' on October 15, 2018. Renowned art historian Ms. Jyoti Khemka delivered this intellectually and spiritually stimulating lecture wherein she explored the representation of Lord Buddha in different cultures, extolling his life and timeless teachings. The lecture was followed by an interactive session on Career in Art Preservation and Conservation.

DECLUTTERING THE MIND

The **Swachhata Committee** organized an extension lecture on 'Decluttering the Mind' by Prof. Rajib Sarkar, School of Management, Bennett University, Greater Noida on November 13, 2018. The lecture sensitized the students about decluttering one's mind in this age of information explosion. Prof. Sarkar described the entire process with the aid of Data-Information-Knowledge-Wisdom Pyramid.



THE RURAL MANIFESTO



Mr. Feroze Varun Gandhi, Member, Lok Sabha, delivered a lecture on the problems ailing the rural economy and their solutions. In his thought-provoking address, Mr. Gandhi dwelt upon an alternative approach to

mainstream ideas of rural development including promotion of non-conventional education system; impetus to indigenous industry like textile and leather; active citizen participation; political reform; equality of opportunity and skill enhancement. Highlighting the inefficiencies of the agriculture sector in the areas like storage, transportation etc., Mr. Gandhi called for adopting an academic approach to the problems and increasing the scope of MNREGA for a sustainable future. He also impressed upon the fact that proper policy formulation and implementation holds the key to the creation of sustainable and viable economic models. He also released his book - *The Rural Manifesto* – on the occasion.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND INDIA'S DEVELOPMENT PATH

The **Postgraduate Department of Economics** organized an Extension Lecture on 'Policy Implications and India's Development Path' for the students of Economics on January 22, 2019. Dr. J S Bedi, Director (Research), Institute for Development and Communications, Sector 38, Chandigarh addressed the students to sensitize them about the recent developmental policies of the country and their major features.

MEDIEVAL INDIAN ARCHITECTURE

The **Department of History** and **Tarikh - the History Club** organized a lecture on Medieval Indian Architecture by eminent historian Dr. Veena Sachdeva, Professor, Department of History, Panjab University, Chandigarh on January 30, 2019. Through a lucid presentation, Dr. Sachdeva shed light on the various facets of Indian architecture during the middle ages. In the highly engrossing lecture, the expert revealed several unknown and interesting facts about the buildings erected during the Sultanat and Mughal period like Qutub Minar, tombs, forts and palaces.

RESEARCH AND ETHICS



The **Postgraduate Department of English** organized an extension lecture on 'Research and Ethics' by Prof. Aneel Raina, Department of English and Cultural Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh on February 12, 2019. Introducing the students to plagiarism as a moral, ethical and legal offence, Prof. Raina urged them to refrain from it and be cautious about self-plagiarism, ghost writing and acts of translation without due accreditation. The lecture also catered to research centric queries of students and apprised them of research methodologies followed in disciplines of natural sciences, social sciences and humanities.

GLASS CEILING

The **Women Development Cell** organized a lecture titled 'Glass Ceiling' on February 14, 2019 with the aim of sensitizing young girls about the socially constructed barriers that lead to gender inequality in the society. Dr. Manoj Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, PGGCG-11, Chandigarh delivered this thought provoking lecture with special reference to gender bias. Dr. Kumar opined that it is unfortunate that though women have attained top positions all over the world, their representation in various fields is still not adequate. He motivated the young girls to take lead in breaking the glass ceiling.

E-FILING OF INCOME TAX RETURNS

The **Postgraduate Department of Commerce** organized a highly informative Extension Lecture on 'E-filing of Income Tax Returns'. Mr. Rohin Arora, CA conducted this session on March 13, 2019 wherein he apprised the students of the fundamental rules pertaining to income tax returns and also explained in detail the key changes incorporated in the Income Tax Return forms over the years. Remarking that the advent of online IT return filing websites and constant upgradation of the portals of income tax department has made the filing process relatively easier, Mr. Arora shed light on various aspects and sections in the IT Return Forms for all types of taxpayers.

MODERN HERITAGE OF CHANDIGARH

The **Department of History** organized a lecture on 'Modern Heritage of Chandigarh' on March 15, 2019. Dr. Yojna Rawat, Chairperson, USOL, PU and Shri M. N. Sharma, General Secretary, Architectural Society, Chandigarh briefed the students about our rich architectural heritage and impressed upon the need to preserve it. While speaking on this occasion, Dr. Deepika Gandhi, Director, Le Corbusier Centre, Chandigarh prompted the students to be more aware of the significance of heritage. Photo artist Mr. Surinder Dhami showcased his photo works with the aim of apprising the students of the immensely important role of photography in preserving our culture and heritage.

PREVENTION OF VECTOR BORNE DISEASES AND CANCER

The **Medical Committee** and **CII Committee** in collaboration with **Department of Zoology**, organized two informative lectures on April 9, 2019 on 'Prevention of Vector Borne Diseases and Cancer'. Dr. Upendrajeet Singh Gill, Assistant Director Malaria, (N V B D C P) - c u m - S t a t e Surveillance Officer- IDSP, Chandigarh conducted the lecture on Vector-borne diseases wherein he educated the audience about the ways to prevent such diseases by adopting precautionary measures



and by keeping the surroundings clean. In the second lecture, Dr. Sonica Krishnan, Ayurveda Wellness Guide and Consultant, shed light on various types of cancers, their causes and how to prevent them through Ayurveda.

CAREER IN JOURNALISM IN THE DIGITAL AGE

The **Department of Mass Communication** organized a session on 'Career in Journalism in the Digital Age' on April 15, 2019. The aim of the session was to empower budding journalists of the department by educating them about the changing landscape of journalism with reference to the changes brought about by information technology, and equipping them with requisite skills to meet the trials ahead.

Shedding light on the challenges and opportunities in the world of journalism, Mr. Satender Chauhan, India Today Bureau Chief, Chandigarh said that journalism is a highly demanding profession driven by a passion for news. Pointing to social media as the greatest challenge faced in this age where fake news and citizen journalism are rampant, Mr. Chauhan reminded the budding journalists of their immensely significant role in the development of the society and nation. Dr. D. I. Pati, Dean and Director, ITMI, Noida gave a highly informative presentation highlighting the career opportunities in the field of mass media and skills required in the field.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN MEDICAL STREAM AFTER GRADUATION

An interactive session was organized by **Career Counselling Cell** and **Department of Zoology** on 'Career opportunities in Life Sciences' by Mr. Vimal Bhutani, Director, Biotech Sapiens, Chandigarh on March 07, 2019. The speaker discussed about various options and courses available for students pursuing graduation and postgraduation in the field of Life Sciences. He introduced the students to important entrance examinations organized by various nationally reputed institutions, eligibility criteria, subject combinations, exam patterns and the syllabi of different entrance exams. More than 100 students participated in the session.

AWARENESS PROGRAMMES/DRIVES/RALLIES

PROACTIVE SAFETY PROGRAMME

The **Department of Sociology** in collaboration with **Chandigarh Police**, began a novel initiative- 'Proactive Safety Programme' on August 6, 2018. The inaugural day of the programme was graced by Chandigarh SSP Nilambari Jagadale as the Chief Guest and Ms. Anjitha, DSP, Women and Child Support Unit, Chandigarh Police as the Guest of Honour. With the slogan 'Empower the girls we love', the programme aimed to equip girls with self-defense skills that enable them to respond effectively to potentially safety threatening situations. Over 1500 students were trained in self-defense during this programme.



CONSUMER RIGHTS AWARENESS

The **Legal Literacy Club** organized a Consumer Rights Awareness session on October 15, 2018. In this enlightening session that sought to empower students through awareness about consumer laws, Dr. Shiva Satish Sharda, Assistant Professor, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala apprised the students about the provisions in Indian laws that protect the rights of the consumers against unfair trade practices.

VIGILANCE AWARENESS WEEK

As a part of nation-wide initiative of the Central Vigilance Commission, the college organized **Vigilance Awareness Week** which commenced on October 30, 2018. This occasion was marked by administering Integrity Pledge to its students and staff members. The theme of the week was 'Eradicate Corruption - Build a New India' and aimed to encourage public participation in promoting values of transparency, integrity and accountability in public life. Staff, students and the Principal resolved to work with rectitude for a corruption-free progressive India.



DETOXIFICATION OF BRAIN THROUGH STRESS MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

The **Swachhata Committee** of the college organized various events on the significance of cleanliness. In an event on February 1, 2019, well-known motivational speaker Mr. Anurag Rishi held a session on 'Detoxification of Brain through Stress Management Techniques' under the aegis of Swachhata Committee (Commerce). Mr. Rishi asserted that overthinking creates an inescapable loop that triggers stress. The expert spoke at length about the power of positive words and body language in handling stress effectively. He advised the participants to practice Law of Gratitude, time management and following one's passion to check stress. The Swachhata Committee (Arts) also organized a Dustbin Making Competition.

HELMET RALLY

The **NSS Units** in collaboration with **Chandigarh Traffic Police** organized a sensitization programme and Helmet Rally on February 7, 2019 as part of the 30th National Road Safety Week. Mrs. Savita Bhatti, Chandigarh's Swachh Bharat Ambassador graced the event as the Chief Guest and Mr. Shashank Anand, SSP (Security and Traffic), Chandigarh was the Special Guest. A highly impactful nukkad natak by Samvaad Theatre Group on the theme of Road Safety impressed upon the audience the consequences of neglecting traffic rules. During the rally, over 300 students of the college proudly wore their helmets as they plied the city roads on their two-wheelers spreading the message of 'Helmet Pehnao, Beti Bachao' to stress upon the importance of women wearing helmets for ensuring their safety on roads.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARENESS WEEK

The **Institution Innovation Council (IIC)** of the College organized a session on Entrepreneurship on March 5, 2019 to mark the Entrepreneurship Awareness Week. The investiture ceremony of Student Innovation Council, established as per the directions of MHRD Innovation Cell (MIC), was also held on this occasion. Beginning the session by urging students to be job creators instead of job seekers, Mr. Chetan Sahore, Director, ROG Foundation averred that everyone is a born entrepreneur but to be successful, one requires skills, knowledge, vision and exposure. Mr. Parvesh Chandel spoke at length on the making of an entrepreneurial mind. He dwelt upon the thought process involved in the making of innovators.

HIV AIDS AND BLOOD DONATION

The **Red Ribbon Club** in collaboration with **NSS Units** organized a rally in the city to spread awareness about HIV AIDS and Blood Donation on March 29, 2019. The students carried self-made posters and banners in the village streets and voiced slogans on prevention of AIDS and the need for Blood Donation. They also interacted with the residents and shopkeepers to generate awareness on this issue of social importance. Around 100 students participated in the rally to sensitize the residents about the problems related to AIDS and encouraged them to donate blood.

MALARIA AWARENESS DRIVES

More than 80 **NSS** volunteers participated in a series of Malaria Awareness Drives from September 15 to 24, 2018 with UT Health Department. Malaria and dengue awareness drives were organized in association with the Malaria Wing of the Health Department of Chandigarh to generate awareness about various vector-borne diseases among the citizens of Sectors-37 and 41, Chandigarh.

CELEBRATION OF DAYS

HINDI DIVAS

The **Postgraduate Department of Hindi** observed Hindi Divas on September 14, 2018 with the aim of connecting the students to Hindi and rich Indian traditions enshrined in it. The celebrations included a Kavi Sammelan wherein the students, teachers as well as Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava recited their self-composed thought-provoking and inspiring poetry. A Poster making Competition and group recitation of a poem by renowned poet Jayshankar Prasad - 'Badhe Chalo' also marked the event.



WORLD PHILOSOPHY DAY

The **Department of Philosophy** celebrated World Philosophy Day on November 15, 2018. The celebration aimed at deliberating upon the scope and opportunities in the discipline of Philosophy. As part of the celebrations, the Philosophy Students Club - 'MCM SOPHIES' organised competitions like Essay Writing, Poster Making, Quiz and PPT Contest. A play on 'Buddha - Search for Truth' was also staged. Students and faculty participated in discussions on various philosophical concepts.

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION DAY

The **Department of Political Science** celebrated National Constitution Day on November 26, 2018 to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India and to sensitize the students about upholding the values enshrined in our Constitution. The celebrations included a Poster Making and Essay Writing activity based on the day's theme. Besides these, a special issue of the Department Wall Magazine containing information pertaining to the historic day in the life of our nation was also released.

NATIONAL VOTERS' DAY



The **Electoral Literacy Club** celebrated National Voters Day on January 25, 2019 on the theme

'No Voter to be Left Behind' with the aim of sensitizing the youth about the importance of exercising their franchise for the progress of the nation. As part of the celebration, a Voters' Pledge was administered to the students. During Open Mic, members of the Club stressed upon the significance and value of vote through speeches and self-composed poems. They also conducted class to class Voter Awareness Campaign and generated awareness among students of various disciplines.

WORLD CANCER DAY



successful management of cancer lies in creating awareness, early detection and prevention of cancer.

The **Rotaract Club** of the College organized an event on the World Cancer Day i.e. February 4, 2019 with the aim of raising awareness about the dreaded disease and celebrating the never-say-die spirit of the survivors of this disease. Dr. Rakesh Kapoor, Associate Professor, Department of Radiotherapy, PGIMER, Chandigarh was the resource person who apprised the audience of the magnitude of the cancer problem in India, the reasons for the rising incidence of cancer and its warning signs. Sensitizing the students and faculty about the importance of counseling while undergoing treatment, Dr. Kapoor stressed that the key to

NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY

The **Departments of Science** jointly celebrated National Science Day sponsored by **Punjab State Council for Science and Technology, Chandigarh** on February 28, 2019 on the theme 'Communicating Science for All'. Chief Guest Dr. Deepak Salunke, Department of Chemistry, PU delivered a talk on 'Discovery of Novel Vaccine Adjuvants.' Professor Emeritus S. P. Khullar, Department of Botany, PU spoke on 'Plant Science in Everyday Life'. A lecture on 'Role of Insects in Ecosystem' by Prof. Neelima R. Kumar, Department of Zoology, PU apprised the students of the ecological significance of insects. A lecture on Digital Communication by Mr. Saurabh Kaushal, MD, Flipflop Inforsec Labs, Chd. was also organized. Dr. Jagdish Rai, Department of Forensic Science, PU spoken on Foldscope. The origin and evolution of the solar system was discussed by Prof Sandip Sahijpal, Department of Physics, PU, Chandigarh.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

'Pahal - Kucch Kadam Sustainability Ki Oar' was organized under the aegis of **Sustainability Practices Committee** of the college to celebrate the International Women's Day on March 8, 2019. 'Pahal' aims to generate awareness about sustainable development for the creation of an ecosystem conducive to development. Activities including quiz, nukkad natak, story telling, art walk on sustainability and stalls of handicrafts by women entrepreneurs from weaker sections of the society.

The **Women Development Cell** also organized an art exhibition which showcased Indian women achievers to inspire the youth. The cell also organised a Sanitary Napkin Distribution Drive and a Nukkad Natak on Girl Child and Importance of Education for the residents of the slum area in Sector 25, Chandigarh.

WORLD WATER DAY

To mark World Water Day, the **Swachhata Committee (Arts)** organized an awareness drive starting on March 22, 2019. The drive was organized with the vision to advocate sustainable management of water resources and sensitize the students about the need for water conservation. The highlight of the inaugural day of the drive was poetry recitation on the theme wherein Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava recited a self-composed poem, voicing the gravity of the issue and pressing upon the need to act now. Posters bearing impactful messages about water conservation were also displayed during the drive.

REMEMBERING JALLIANWALA BAGH MASSACRE



The **Department of History** organized Poster Making and Slogan Writing Competitions on April 13, 2019 on the theme 'Remembering Jallianwala Bagh Massacre' to mark the 100 years of one of the gravest crimes against humanity on the day of Baisakhi. The competitions witnessed an enthusiastic participation of students who paid rich tributes to the martyrs of Jallianwala through slogans and posters. Soaked in the colours of patriotism, the participants' creativity and remarkable representation of the theme was appreciated by one and all.

EARTH DAY

The **Swachhata Committee** and the **Department of Sanskrit**, in an endeavour to sensitize the young generation about the importance of caring for our planet, organized a 'Havan' to mark the Earth Day on April 22, 2019. The 'Havan' witnessed enthusiastic participation of the staff and students. With chanting of hymns, the students pledged to contribute positively to save the planet. A drive to plant medicinal plants was also carried out on the occasion. Informative posters depicting various ways of saving the Earth and creating a sustainable future were also displayed by the students.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

The **Swachhata Committee (Arts)** in collaboration with the **NSS Units** of the college, observed World Environment Day on June 5, 2019 during which the staff and students were administered an oath for environment protection wherein they pledged to plant more trees, conserve energy, promote renewable energy, raise awareness among companies to treat effluents, and sensitize people about the conservation of environment.

INDUSTRIAL VISITS/EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

VISIT TO CENTRAL POULTRY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION



The **Department of Zoology** organized an industrial cum educational tour of B. Sc. III (Medical) students to Central Poultry Development Organization (Northern Region), Chandigarh on September 28, 2018. Dr. Vineet Kumar, the Farm Manager briefed the students about the precautions taken to prevent poultry diseases, the magnitude of their environmental impact, their dependence on production practices like manure management practices and practical solutions to control the environmental effects of the same.

VISIT TO NATIONAL AGRI-FOOD BIOTECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE

The **Swachhata Committee** (Arts) organized an academic visit to National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI), Mohali for the students of B.Sc. (Microbial and Food Technology) on the occasion of National Technology Day celebrated every year to commemorate Shakti- the Pokhran Nuclear Test held on May 11, 1998. The purpose of the visit was to expose students to various science-related research activities undertaken in the premier research institution in government sector, and to give students a chance to interact with scientists and students working on cutting-edge research. The students were also introduced to the latest technology and infrastructure used in biotechnology and food sector.

VISIT TO SCIENCE CITY AND PLANETARIUM



In a DST sponsored educational visit, the **Department of Zoology** took the students of B.Sc. I (Medical) on October 10, 2018 to Kalpana Chawla Memorial Planetarium. The students also visited Science City and the Kurukshetra Panorama and Science Centre, Kurukshetra that showcases the epic Mahabharata War with scientific explanations. On this visit, they also got the opportunity to watch an interesting exhibition called 'India: A Heritage in Science, Technology and Culture'. The trip culminated at 'Brahma Sarovar', which is a home to many migratory birds.

VISIT TO EFFLUENT AND WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

A visit to Effluent Treatment and Waste Water Treatment Plant at Sec-31, 3BRD, Chandigarh was organized by the **Department of Microbial and Food Technology** for 35 students of B.Sc. (MFT) -III and B.Sc Medical III on November 17, 2018. The visit was organized with the aim of providing the students with first-hand experience of various stages and treatment protocols, plant layout and sludge treatment methods adopted in a sewage treatment facility and to introduce them to learn different monitoring parameters for treating waste water.

VISIT TO CITY FOREST

The **Department of Zoology** organized a field trip to 'Nagar Van' (City Forest) on November 18, 2018 with the aim of sensitizing students towards Avian biodiversity and its Conservation. Under the able guidance of the members of 'Chandigarh Bird Club,' the students were able to spot approximately 31 bird species including Indian Grey Hornbill (State Bird of Chandigarh), Northern Goshawk (State Bird of Punjab), and Black Francolin (State Bird of Haryana). The students also gathered information on different bird species that inhabit the forest, and those which migrated from other places.

VISIT TO BONN INDUSTRIES

The **Department of Microbial and Food Technology**, to bolster the Industry-Academia Interface, took the students on industrial visits to Yakult Danone India Pvt. Ltd., Sonapat and Bonn Nutrients Pvt. Ltd., Ludhiana on February 9 and 16, 2019 respectively with the aim to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical learning. The students were introduced to the workflow in the Industrial setup and imparted hands on experience in manufacturing, food processing, packaging, good manufacturing practices (GMP), quality control apart from various regulations followed and executed in an Industrial environment.



VISIT TO INTER SOLAR PVT. LTD.

The **Postgraduate Department of Economics** organized an industrial visit for its students to Inter Solar Systems Pvt. Ltd. on March 5, 2019. The visit aimed to familiarize the students with the working of an industrial unit and also to give them a first-hand experience of the production of Solar items. They visited different sections of the industry and were apprised about the processes involved in manufacturing of solar water heaters and solar panels.

VISIT TO CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, KASALI



The **Department of Zoology** organized an educational visit for B. Sc. III Medical students to Central Research Institute (CRI), Kasauli on February 26, 2019 to create awareness about the research being carried out in the field of medicine and public health. Students got an opportunity to visit various laboratories manufacturing vaccines, immunobiologicals and antisera.

They were acquainted with various steps, procedures and processes involved in the production of many life-saving drugs and vaccines.

RESEARCH

With the aim to promote **Research at the Undergraduate Level**, the college sanctioned 7 Research Projects of students from the Seed Money stipulated for the same. 3 students of the **Department of Public Administration** undertook a Research Project titled “Students' Perception of Online Admission System: A Case Study of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh (2018-19)” which studied the student's perceptions of the current online centralized admission system prescribed by the Chandigarh Administration and also the online admission system followed by the college for admissions to various classes. The aim of the project was to examine the Role of E-Governance in Higher Education; Concept and Objectives of Online Admission System, and its benefits so as to suggest improvements in the current system.

During 2018-19, apart from contributing 21 Research Papers in the International UGC approved journals and 7 research papers in National UGC journals, faculty members published 17 books, 40 chapters in various books with ISBN number and 3 conference proceedings. Members of faculty also presented 22 papers at International, 18 at National, 6 at State and 2 at local level Seminars and Conferences. 14 faculty members acted as resource persons at various workshops and events. A total of 135 members attended Seminars and Workshops at different levels.

Emulating their teachers, 81 students also presented and published papers in various journals. 26 students cleared UGC NET examination in various subjects while 1 cleared GATE

Dr Mridula Sharma received a Travel Grant of 103360/- from UGC; Dr. Purnima Bhandari from the Department of Botany was awarded a Travel Grant of Rs. 4700/- from the International Union of Biological Sciences (IUBS), Paris for participating in the Sixth International Conference on Plants and Environmental Pollution organized by National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow, India.

Dr. Vandana Sharma and Dr. Sandeep from the Department Food Science were awarded a Project grant of Rs 75,000/- to conduct research on 'Biosensor Based Kit for Rapid Detection of Enterobacteriaceae in Drinking Water' by the Department of Science and Technology and Renewable Energy, Chandigarh Administration.

INTERACTION WITH STAKEHOLDERS

PARENT TEACHER MEETING

With the aim of synergizing parent-teacher partnership, the **Parent Teacher Association** of the College held its annual meeting in the college campus on November 28, 2018. Sh. H. R. Gandhar, Senior Governing Body Member, DAV College Managing Committee and Maj. Gen. I. P. Singh (Retd.) Director, Mai Bhago Armed Forces Preparatory Institute, Mohali graced the occasion with their presence as special guests. Sh. Gandhar shared his perceptive views on education, skills, innovative thinking, discipline and excellence, and motivated the parents to collaborate constructively with the institution for ensuring students' success in every sphere of life. Sharing his thoughts on the all-encompassing concept of nurturing our children into happy and satisfied individuals, Maj. Gen. Singh congratulated the College for ensuring holistic development of its students. The meeting was attended by over 150 parents of students from diverse disciplines.



INTERACTION WITH ALUMNI

ALUMNI MEET SPREADS THE MESSAGE OF SUSTAINABILITY

The Golden Jubilee **Alumni Meet** 'Rendezvous and Reminiscences 2018' was held on November 17, 2018 by the Alumni Committee AMDA on the theme of 'Sustainability - Weaving threads of Identity, Creativity and Joy.' It was attended by more than 100 alumni and retired faculty of the college who dedicated themselves to the cause of women's education. Attractively laid out stalls of products made by the artists at 'philARThropy'- a group of women from a slum in Panchkula and an enthralling performance by underprivileged children from Samarpan Foundation marked this special occasion in the Golden Jubilee Year of the College. Various performances by the students of the college depicting social, cultural, economic and environmental sustainability showcased the theme of the event. The Meet ended on a musical note with a performance by a musical band.



FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES FOR TEACHING FACULTY AND NON-TEACHING STAFF

STRESS MANAGEMENT



The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** organized a workshop on Stress Management Techniques on November 19, 2018, for the faculty members of the college. The workshop was conducted by Prof. Emeritus Jatinder Mohan who deliberated upon various causes of stress in the daily life of modern times. He also shared with the participants in detail varied techniques to overcome different kinds of stress. 28 members of faculty from different disciplines participated in this workshop.

NEW NAAC METHODOLOGY-ADDRESSING NEW METRICS

The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** organised an interactive session on 'New NAAC Methodology-Addressing New Metrics' on November 20, 2018. The session was conducted by Principal V R Shirburkar, Education Consultant and an Assessor at NAAC. In the session, all the members of faculty and administrative staff were introduced to the recently introduced revised framework of NAAC accreditation.

QUALITY PARAMETERS OF NAAC

An interactive session on 'Quality Parameters of NAAC' was organized by the **Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** on November 24, 2018. The session was conducted by Prof. Shirish Chindhade, Former Principal and Member of the Board of Trustees, AICP. He apprised the participants about various quality enhancement measures to be undertaken while preparing for NAAC accreditation. It was attended by both the teaching faculty and the administrative staff.

2-DAY WORKSHOP ON MOOCS



IQAC in collaboration with **MOOCs Committee** organized a two-day workshop on blended learning through Massive Open Online Course on December 23-24, 2018. The workshop was attended by 30 faculty members from various departments of the college. The primary objective of this workshop was to equip the teachers with requisite skills and resources to use MOOCs.

The Resource Person, Dr. Deepak Bishla, Administrator IT Department at Ambedkar

University, Delhi introduced the participants to the Digital Initiatives of Government of India in Higher Education and integrating MOOCs in regular courses. He also talked about licensing and copyright issues related to e-content, development of e-content and free open source software tools and techniques. Dr Bishla also provided hands on training to the teachers in creating their online course modules by creating a dummy course on Moodle.

SUCCESS IN THE INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

A workshop on 'Success in the Institutional Framework' was held for the members of the support staff under the aegis of **RUSA** on January 4, 2019. 57 participants from various colleges of the tricity attended the workshop. Dr Dalip Kumar, Additional State Project Director RUSA, Chandigarh inaugurated the workshop and lauded the efforts of MCM RUSA Team for conducting such programs. Prof. Suresh K Chadha from University Business School, PU stressed on the need for team work, motivation and ethics at work. Through interactive games, Prof Chadha highlighted the importance of value based system for optimum use of human resource.



WORKSHOP ON FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Another workshop on 'Financial Management' was organized by **Team RUSA** for Group D employees of the college on January 4, 2019. Mrs. Simmi G Singh, Branch Manager, SBI, Mr. Ravinder Walia, Deputy Manager, Mr. Manish Kumar, Relationship Manager from SBI General and Mr. Harinder Singh Sidhu, Business Development Manager from SBI, Chandigarh gave detailed presentations on Banking and Insurance. They informed the 73 participants about various options available for financial management through banking and insurance, and also answered queries of the enthusiastic participants.

WORKSHOP ON EMOTIONAL FREEDOM TECHNIQUE

The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** conducted a training workshop on Emotional Freedom Technique (EFT) on February 5, 2019 for the faculty members with the aim to equip them with the requisite skills that help in relieving negative emotions and pain. Dr. Vijay Girdhar, Head, Department of Psychiatry, GMSH-16, Chandigarh conducted this workshop that witnessed enthusiastic participation of 30 faculty members. Dr. Girdhar explicated EFT or Tapping Therapy as a universal healing tool for physical and emotional challenges. He also gave a practical demonstration of EFT.



A WORKSHOP ON NEURO-LINGUISTIC PROGRAMMING

The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** conducted a workshop on 'Neuro-Linguistic Programming' on February 15, 2019. Dr. Sakshi Mehrotra, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Amity University, New Delhi, apprised the students of a latent relationship between their choice of words and state of mind. The workshop witnessed an enthusiastic participation of 53 students.

FILLING UP GOOGLE SHEETS

The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell** organized a workshop on March 13, 2019 for the faculty to provide hands on training in filling up details pertaining to the presentations, publications and other achievements of the faculty in the Google Sheets designed by the IQAC specifically for the collection of relevant data. Dr Vibha Sharma, Chief Co-ordinator of the Cell conducted this workshop which was attended by the entire faculty.

INNOVATIVE PEDAGOGICAL TECHNIQUES FOR EFFECTIVE CLASSROOM TEACHING

The **UGC Committee** under the aegis of **IQAC** organized a Workshop on 'Innovative Pedagogical Techniques for Effective Classroom Teaching' on May 29, 2019, for the benefit of the faculty. Conducted by Dr Vibha Sharma, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Public Administration, the workshop aimed to introduce the participants to some innovative techniques which, when applied to a real classroom situation, can lead to a very satisfying and fulfilling experience, both for the students and teachers. 12 young faculty members from all streams participated enthusiastically in the workshop.

WORKSHOP ON CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT



The **Skill Development Committee** held a Workshop on Curriculum Development for the faculty to make the academicians skilled at Curriculum Design and Development by apprising them of the basics and Mechanics of Curriculum Design apart from the planning, designing, implementation, evaluation and challenges involved in the process of Curriculum Design on May 30, 2019. Prof P. K. Tulsi and Prof. A. B. Gupta, Head, Curriculum Development Centre, NITTTR, Chandigarh trained 40 participants from various colleges/schools of Northern India in designing need-based curricula.

SOCIAL OUTREACH PROGRAMMES

RELIEF MATERIAL FOR KERALA FLOOD VICTIMS

The **Rotaract Club** contributed generously to extend a helping hand in the rehabilitation of the Kerala flood victims. Guided by its motto - 'Live to Give', the Rotaract Club organized a drive on September 12, 2018 to collect relief material for the flood victims. The staff and students contributed generously to this worthy cause in the form of medicines, baby food, water bottles, groceries, clothes, bedsheets and sanitary napkins. The relief material was later sent to Kerala by the members of the Club for the benefit of flood victims.



EMPOWERING WOMEN: STITCHING COURSE AT ARYA MAHILA SHIKSHA SANSTHAN

The **Department of Home Science**, in collaboration with Istri Arya Samaj, runs a Stitching Course at Arya Mahila Shiksha Sansthan, Arya Samaj Mandir, Sector 16 D, Chandigarh. The course is an initiative to promote self-reliance in women through skill development and seeks to empower the underprivileged women of the society by equipping them with requisite skills to pave way for their economic independence. With a nominal fee and flexible timings, the course is a great opportunity for women to give wings to their dreams.

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

To instil a spirit of social service among its students, the **NSS Unit** of the college in collaboration with PGIMER, Chandigarh and Lions Club, Chandigarh, organized a Blood Donation camp on February 21, 2019. The camp witnessed an overwhelming response from the staff and students. The zealous and devoted blood donors contributed a total of 215 units of blood. Mr. Bikram Rana, State Liaison Officer, NSS applauded the endeavour and congratulated all the donors.

MEDICAL CAMP

The **Medical Committee** organized a Medical Camp in collaboration with Fortis Hospital, Mohali on March 8, 2019. Around 300 members of staff and students participated in the camp that offered comprehensive health check-up. Faculty Specialists of various medical branches including Gynecology, Orthopedics, Dermatology, Ophthalmology, General Medicine and Dietetics were present for offering consultation during the camp. Tests like ECG, Hb, BP, Sugar and Bone Mineral Density were also conducted on the occasion.



DONATION FOR BHARAT KE VEER

Conscious of their National responsibility, a group of 10 students from diverse streams organized a **Fund Collection Drive** to extend financial assistance to the bravehearts who have sacrificed their lives for the country. They collected a sum of Rs. 28,333/- and contributed the same to 'Bharat Ke Veer,' a philanthropic initiative of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India on 29 March, 2019.

Their effort was recognized by the Ministry in the form of a Certificate of Appreciation.



PROJECT SAARTHI

7 **NSS volunteers** of the college took part in SAARTHI, a joint initiative by the Chandigarh Red Cross Society and Chandigarh NSS Cell, to provide services to the patients and their attendants at PGIMER. They assisted the staff and guided patients to appropriate departments for treatment. The volunteers also extended guidance and support to the needy patients and their attendants visiting the new OPD Block of the PGI and also provided physical help by lifting patients, moving their trolleys/wheelchairs in the case of need.

DIGITAL LITERACY WORKSHOP FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

The **Department of Computer Science and Applications** organized a one-week workshop on 'Digital Literacy for Senior Citizens' from May 20 to 27, 2019. It focused on providing the senior learners a working knowledge of writing, formatting and printing letters using MS Word, managing data with basic operations using MS Excel, creating slideshows with MS PowerPoint, browsing the Internet, using Social Media, making online reservations and bookings, understanding payment gateway and filing online income tax return. The faculty of the college volunteered as resource persons for this workshop. 17 Senior Citizens attended the sessions enthusiastically and enjoyed their first steps into the digital world.



ACHIEVEMENTS IN ACADEMICS

The quality of teaching-learning received a tremendous boost when students of the College made a mark for themselves in the Panjab University results and bagged top slots. Keeping up the tradition, this year too, the results of the college were higher than those of the university while many students did the college proud by securing merit positions in various classes.

Positions in Honours				
1.	Tamanna Puri	English	B.A. III	I
2.	Nistha Pattar	Economics	B.Com III	1
3.	Divija Sharma	Economics	B. A. III	II
4.	Tarushi Bhalla	Psychology	B. A. III	II
5.	Gurusha Jaswal	Economics	B.Com III	II
6.	Prarthana Sandhu	Economics	B. A. III	III
7.	Anubhuti Walia	English	B. A. III	III
8.	Arnavi Sagar	History	B. A. III	III
9.	Anika Garg	Psychology	B. A. III	III
10.	Savi Arora	Political Science	B. A. III	III
11.	Hrishika Madhaik	Public Administration	B. A. III	III
12.	Mehar Kaur	Political Science	B. A. III	IV
13.	Angel	Psychology	B. A. III	V
14.	Sukhanchal Badwal	Sociology	B. A. III	V
15.	Chetna	Training & Development	B. Com. III	V
16.	Aarushi Mahajan	Economics	B. A. III	VI
17.	Jasleen Kaur	Psychology	B. A. III	VI
18.	Diksha Goel	Economics	B. A. III	VII
19.	Dakshi Nandra	Psychology	B. A. III	VII
20.	Arti Nautiyal	Public Administration	B. A. III	VII
21.	Bhavya	Economics	B. A. III	VIII
22.	Niharika	History	B. A. III	VIII
23.	Saakhi Khurana	Psychology	B. A. III	VIII
24.	Jaisika	Economics	B. A. III	VIII
25.	Kritika Mahajan	Training & Development	B. Com. III	VIII
26.	Tanvi	Economics	B.Com III	IX
27.	Isha Chawla	Psychology	B. A. III	X
28.	Neetu	Political Science	B. A. III	X
29.	Muskan	Sociology	B. A. III	X
30.	Neha	Physics	B.Sc. III	X
Positions in Postgraduation				
31.	Pragati Thakur	PGDMC	Sem-I	I
32.	Pragati Thakur	PGDMC	Sem-II	I
33.	Sakshi Awasthy	M.A Economics	Sem-III	I
34.	Sakshi Awasthy	M.A Economics	Sem-IV	I

35.	Pooja Singla	PGDMC	Sem-I	II
36.	Ekta Mandhan	M.Sc Mathematics	Sem-II	II
37.	Aarushi Mahajan	M.A Economics	Sem-III	II
38.	Kanika	M.A Sociology	Sem-III	II
39.	Vibhu	M.A Psychology	Sem-IV	II
40.	Kanika	M.A Sociology	Sem-IV	II
41.	Deesha	M.Sc Mathematics	Sem-II	III
42.	Aditi Kaushish	M.A Psychology	Sem-III	III
43.	Amanat Dhiman	M.A Psychology	Sem-IV	III
44.	Divya	M.Sc Chemistry	Sem-II	IV
45.	Shruti Rastogi	M.A Economics	Sem-II	IV
46.	Arushi Choudhary	M.A Sociology	Sem-II	IV
47.	Aditi Kaushish	M.A Psychology	Sem-IV	IV
48.	Neelima Raina	M.A Psychology	Sem-III	V
49.	Stuti Munjal	M.A Psychology	Sem-I	V
50.	Shayna Chhabra	M.Sc Mathematics	Sem-II	V
51.	Meenu Deswal	M.A Sociology	Sem-II	V
52.	Pooja Singla	PGDMC	Sem-II	V
53.	Ravtesh Kaur	M.A Psychology	Sem-IV	V
54.	Niharika Dadoo	M.A Psychology	Sem-I	VI
55.	Priya Dhiman	PGDMC	Sem-II	VI
56.	Ayushi Katoch	M.A Economics	Sem-II	VI
57.	Niharika Dadoo	M.A Psychology	Sem-II	VI
58.	Mimansa Dahuja	M.A Economics	Sem-III	VI
59.	Simratpal Kaur	M.A Sociology	Sem-III	VI
60.	Amanat Dhiman	M.A Psychology	Sem-III	VI
61.	Aarushi Mahajan	M.A Economics	Sem-IV	VI
62.	Noordeep Kaur	M.A Sociology	Sem-IV	VI
63.	Snehdeep Kaur	M.A Economics	Sem-II	VII
64.	Priya Jindal	M.A Economics	Sem-III	VII
65.	Priya Dhiman	PGDMC	Sem-I	VII
66.	Harsimran Kaur	M.A Psychology	Sem-III	VII
67.	Karuna Yadav	M.A Psychology	Sem-IV	VII
68.	Gur Kamal Kaur	M.Sc Chemistry	Sem-III	VIII
69.	Vithika Mohapatra	M.A Economics	Sem-III	VIII
70.	Simratpal Kaur	M.A Sociology	Sem-IV	VIII
71.	Shayna Chhabra	M.Sc Mathematics	Sem-I	VIII
72.	Apurva Rathee	M.A Economics	Sem-II	VIII
73.	Gargi Kanwar	M.A Sociology	Sem-II	VIII
74.	Tanvi	M. Commerce	Sem-II	VIII
75.	Simran Kaur Sandhu	M.A Psychology	Sem-II	VIII
76.	Samriti Garg	M.A Economics	Sem-IV	VIII
77.	Anjali Gulati	M.A Psychology	Sem-IV	IX
78.	Chandni Garg	M.Sc Mathematics	Sem -II	IX

79.	Arushi Choudhary	M.A Sociology	Sem-I	IX
80.	Revika Ghai	M.A Economics	Sem-II	IX
81.	Guldaman Kaur	PGDMC	Sem-II	IX
82.	Swati Garg	M.A Economics	Sem-III	IX
83.	Swati Garg	M.A Economics	Sem-IV	IX
84.	Arshpreet Kaur Batth	M.A Sociology	Sem-IV	IX
85.	Shilpa Sharma	M.Sc Mathematics	Sem-III	X
86.	Gur Kamal Kaur	M.Sc Chemistry	Sem-IV	X
		BA/BSc/BBA/BCom		
87.	Takshu Jagga	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	I
88.	Vaishali Saini	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	I
89.	Shania Saini	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	I
90.	Shania Saini	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	I
91.	Nisha Chaudhary	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	I
92.	Himanshi Bansal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	I
93.	Komal Agrahari	B.B.A	Sem-VI	I
94.	Vijaya Sharma	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	II
95.	Takshu Jagga	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	II
96.	Anureet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	II
97.	Anureet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	II
98.	Kanika	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	II
99.	Nisha Chaudhary	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	II
100.	Naina Bhatia	B.A	Sem-V	II
101.	Mehar Kaur	B.A	Sem-VI	II
102.	Ishita Goswami	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	III
103.	Anjali Chauhan	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	III
104.	Manvi Jindal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	III
105.	Simerpreet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	III
106.	Kangan K	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	III
107.	Bahaar Hundal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	III
108.	Sonalika Grover	B.C.A	Sem-I	III
109.	Riya Verma	B. A	Sem-II	III
110.	Diksha Sharma	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	IV
111.	Naghma Firdous	B.C.A	Sem-II	IV
112.	Ridhima Kakkar	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	IV
113.	Jhanvi Singla	B.Sc	Sem-III	IV
114.	Anju Jeena	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	IV
115.	Aditi Bhagat	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	IV
116.	Purva Aggarwal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	IV
117.	Arnavi Sagar	B.A	Sem-V	IV
118.	Tanvi	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem -V	IV
119.	Tamanna Puri	B.A	Sem-V	V
120.	Kanika	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	V
121.	Vaishali Saini	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	V

122.	Suhana	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	V
123.	Vanshika Sharma	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	V
124.	Manvi Jindal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	V
125.	Anamika	B.C.A	Sem-V	V
126.	Sonal Mishra	B.SC. M.F.T	Sem-V	V
127.	Naghma Firdous	B.C.A	Sem-I	VI
128.	Ashpreet Kaur	B.SC. M.F.T	Sem-I	VI
129.	Rizu	B.B.A	Sem-II	VI
130.	Aditi	B.A	Sem-II	VI
131.	Ishika	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	VI
132.	Vanshika Arora	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	VI
133.	Manjotpreet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	VI
134.	Tanvi	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	VI
135.	Purva Aggarwal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	VI
136.	Srishty Dewan	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	VII
137.	Riya Yadav	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	VII
138.	Niharika	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	VII
139.	Vijayta Kumari	B.Sc.	Sem-III	VII
140.	Anju Jeena	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	VII
141.	Ishika Gupta	B.A	Sem-IV	VII
142.	Komal Agrahari	B.B.A	Sem-V	VII
143.	Aditi Vashisht	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	VII
144.	Ujjwal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	VII
145.	Mehak Sharma	B.C.A	Sem-I	VIII
146.	Manjot Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	VIII
147.	Loveleen	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	VIII
148.	Bhawna	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	VIII
149.	Anjanpreet Kaur	B.C.A	Sem-III	VIII
150.	Priya Khurana	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	VIII
151.	Himanshi Bansal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	VIII
152.	Navneet Kaur	B.Sc	Sem-VI	VIII
153.	Ramanpreet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	VIII
154.	Khyati Talwar	B. A	Sem-VI	VIII
155.	Gurpreet Kaur	B.Sc	Sem-V	VIII
156.	Priya Khurana	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	IX
157.	Muskaan	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	IX
158.	Shikha Dhillon	B.Sc	Sem-I	IX
159.	Shubhangi Bhardwaj	B.A	Sem-II	IX
160.	Asmita Sharma	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	IX
161.	Parul Joshi	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	IX
162.	Ananaya Talwar	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-V	IX
163.	Aditi Vashisht	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	IX
164.	Rizu	B.B.A	Sem-I	X
165.	Amandeep Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	X

166.	Vanshika Sharma	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-IV	X
167.	Palak Jindal	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-I	X
168.	Ashpreet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-II	X
169.	Manjotpreet Kaur	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-III	X
170.	Srishti	B.A	Sem-IV	X
171.	Ruchi Singh	B.B.A	Sem-VI	X
172.	Kangan K	B.Sc. M.F.T	Sem-VI	X
173.	Bhavya	B.A	Sem-VI	X

ACHIEVEMENTS IN SPORTS

The College continued to maintain a high level of performance in sports. In the session 2018-19, sportswomen of the college participated and won laurels in 5 International and 32 National level Competitions. The College also won the **Panjab University General Sports Efficiency Shield for Women, 2018-2019** for a record 39th time in its existence of 50 years.



Our Sports women bagged the following positions in the events held at various levels

NAME OF STUDENT	GAME	EVENT	LEVEL	ACHIEVEMENT
Tanya Bhatia	Cricket	One Day International held in Australia	International	Member, Indian Team
Harleen	Cricket	One Day International held in Australia	International	Member, Indian Team
Mumtaz	Fencing	Commonwealth Junior Championship held at New Castle, England	International	3rd Position
Chahat	Swimming	Malaysian Open Swimming Championship	International	2 Silver Medals

Ridhima	Cricket	Bangladesh Premier League	International	Member of Punjab Cricket Association
Diksha	Pencak Silat	All India Inter-University Championship held at PU	National	Gold Medal
Avneet Kaur	Boxing	All India Inter-University Championship held at PU	National	Gold Medal
Vanshika	Shooting	Junior National Championship held in Kerala	National	Gold Medal
Sanya	Shooting	National Championship held in Kerala	National	Gold Medal
Hritika	Badminton	Gold in Yonex Ranking Tournament	National	Participation
Sarushi	Badminton	Gold in Yonex Ranking Tournament, Chandigarh	National	Participation
Romil	Badminton	Gold in Yonex Ranking Tournament, Chandigarh	National	Participation
Himanshika	Tennis	All India Karnal Ranking Tournament	National	38th Rank
Palak Kour Bijral	Rhythmic Gymnastics	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	All Round Best, 4 Gold and 1 Silver Medal
Divya Rana	Wushu	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	4 Gold Medals
Romila Devi	Canoeing	All India Inter-university Championship held at GNDU, Amritsar	National	2 Gold and 3 Silver Medals
Shoyana	Rhythmic Gymnastics	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	2 Gold and 1 Silver Medal
Ankita Baidya	Artistic Gymnastics	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	2 Gold and 2 Bronze Medals
Susmita Halder	Artistic Gymnastics	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	2 Gold and 1 Bronze Medal
Sangeeta Chaudhary	Artistic Gymnastics	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	2 Gold and 1 Silver Medal
Chahat Arora	Swimming	All India Inter-university Championship held at Bangalore	National	2 Gold Medals
Gurleen Kaur	Wushu (shanshu)	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	Gold Medal

Princee	Soft Tennis	All India Inter-university Championship held in Andhra Pradesh	National	Silver Medal
Aditi Dogra	Soft Tennis	All India Inter-university Championship held in Andhra Pradesh	National	Silver Medal
Avneet Kaur	Kick Boxing	All India Inter-University Championship held at PU	National	Silver Medal
Akhom Monika Devi	Rowing	All India Inter-university Championship held at GNDU, Amritsar	National	2 Silver and 1 Bronze
M. Ceiya Devi	Rowing	All India Inter-university Championship held at GNDU, Amritsar	National	Silver Medal
Priyanka Banerjee	Diving	All India Inter-university held at PU, Chandigarh	National	Silver Medal
Usha	Weightlifting	All India Inter-university held at Guntur, AP	National	Silver Medal
Gurleen Kaur	Pencaksilat	All India Inter-university Championship held at GNDU, Amritsar	National	Silver Medal
Diksha	Pencaksilat	All India Inter-university Championship held at GNDU, Amritsar	National	Silver Medal
Roman	Pencaksilat	All India Inter-university Championship held at GNDU, Amritsar	National	Silver Medal
Sandhya	Wushu	All India Inter-university Championship held at PU, Chandigarh	National	Silver Medal
Mumtaz	Fencing	All India Inter-university Championship held at Patiala	National	Bronze Medal
Grace	Fencing	All India Inter-university Championship held at Patiala	National	Bronze Medal
Ishita	Badminton	All India Inter-university Championship held at Rohtak	National	Third Place
Pallavi	Hockey	All India Inter-university Championship held at Rohtak	National	Fourth Place
Monika	Hockey	All India Inter-university Championship held at Rohtak	National	Fourth Place
Nivedita	Hockey	All India Inter-university Championship held at Rohtak	National	Fourth Place

ACHIEVEMENTS IN CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The students of the College kept alive the tradition of winning laurels by making their mark in numerous events in **Panjab University Youth and Heritage Festival** held at Dev Samaj College, Sector: 45, Chandigarh from October 3 - 6, 2018.



Event	Participants	Position
Elocution	Shruti Sharma	First
Poetry Recitation	Udhbhawna	First
Cartooning	Rhythm Sharma	First
Clay Modelling	Shravya Mishra	First
Giddha (Individual)	Ravinder Kaur	First
Giddha	Prabdeep, Jasmine, Anmol, Jashan, Harnpreet, Ravinder, Yashpreet, Mehak, Loveneet, Abha and Navdeep	First
Luddi	Simran, Urvi, Roopashi, Ekam, Apoorva, Gurleen, Dalli, Tanvir, Shivani and Muskan	First
Rangoli	Pranjot	First
Pranda	Sehaj Bassi	First
Crochet Work	Alpna Devi	First
Classical Vocal	Divya Bhatt	First
Folk Song	Shreya Sharma	First
Indian Orchestra	Shreya, Ritika, Swati, Riya, Mandeep, Garima, Sharshdeep and Tanvi	First
Group Song Individual	Divya Bhatt	First
Individual In Play	Anureet	First
Quiz	Jahnvi and Prabhsimran	First
On the spot Painting	Satvikaa Singh	Second
Collage Making	Somil Sharma	Second

Naala Making	Prerna	Second
Indian Orchestra (Individual)	Ritika	Second
Light Vocal	Divya Bhatt	Second
Group Song	Namita, Khyati, Divya Bhatt, Shreya, Shweta and Jaspreet	Second
Shabad Individual	Namita	Second
Instrumental Percussion	Shreya Ojha	Second
Instrumental Non- Percussion	Riya Chauhan	Second
Folk Instrumental	Vanshika	Second
Photography	Kajal Shah	Second
Bhand	Kiranjeet Kaur, Alisha Kaushik	Second
Play	Gurleen, Sweta, Anureet, Jasleen, Amardeep, Vani, Kovida, Kiranjeet and Gunjan	Second
Quiz	Bhawna, Jahanavi, and Prabhsimran	Second
Poster Making	Nishtha Berry	Third
Mitti De Khidone	Prabhnoor Kaur	Third
Rassa Vattna	Saumya Agarwal	Third
Luddi (Individual)	Jaspreet Kaur	Third
Guddiya Patole	Rumneet Kaur	Third
Folk Orchestra	Ritika, Swati, Geetakshi, Rajpreet, Amrit, Neha, Rumi, Neha, Mandeep, Bhawna, Ritika and Mehak	Third
Classical Dance	Shireen Dargan	Third

INTER-ZONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL 2018

At Dashmesh College, Badal, Punjab from October 30-November 3, 2018

Indian Orchestra (Individual)	Tanvi Sharma	First
Indian Orchestra (Team)	Shreya, Ritika, Swati, Riya, Mandeep, Tanvi Sharma, Garima and Sharshdeep	First
Classical Vocal	Divya	Second
Folk Song	Shreya	Second
Collage Making	Somil Sharma	Second
Elocution	Shruti Sharma	Third
Poetry Recitation	Udhbhawna	Third
Indian Orchestra (Individual)	Shreya Ojha	Third
Giddha	Prabhdeep, Jasmine, Anmol, Jashan, Harnpreet, Ravinder, Yashpreet, Mehak, Loveneet, Abha and Navdeep	Third

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION



The Principal receiving the top award in Swachh Campus Ranking 2018 from Mr. Prakash Javadekar, Minister-Human Resource and Development, Govt. of India in 2018

The College was awarded the **First Rank in Swachh Campus Ranking 2018 (Higher Educational Institutions)** in the category of Residential Colleges in India by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.

The College also bagged the Third Rank across the country in the Category of '**Best Citizen-led Initiative**' in the Swachh Survekshan by the **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India** in 2019 for innovative practice of Cultivation of Oyster Mushrooms from agricultural and kitchen waste in used plastic bottles. Dr. Vandana Sharma and Dr. Sandeep Kaur, Department of Food Science, received this award for the management of solid waste, agricultural waste, garden waste and domestic kitchen waste by using them for cultivation of highly nutritious variety of mushrooms.

The College was also felicitated with an Award for the **Best Management of Wet Waste** by the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh during the 70th Republic Day Celebrations. The NSS Unit of the College bagged the **Best NSS Unit Award-2019** from amongst all the affiliated Colleges of Panjab University, Chandigarh.

Dr. Prasoon Prasad, PG Department of Hindi, bagged an Award of Recognition and a Cash prize of Rs 51,000 for her outstanding contribution to Hindi Literature and Language while Dr. Neha Soi from the Department of English, received a grant-in-aid of Rs 15,000 from Sahitya Akademi for the publication of an anthology titled 'Tissue Paper Poems'. Dr. Komil Tyagi, Department of English, won a State Level Award from Chandigarh Administration for **Special Contribution to Social Work 2019**. Dr. Manjit Sidhu, was awarded Prof. Manju Thakur Memorial Award for **Innovative Contribution in Research** by Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, NITTTR, Chennai.



We bagged the 3rd Rank in India under Citizen-led Initiative

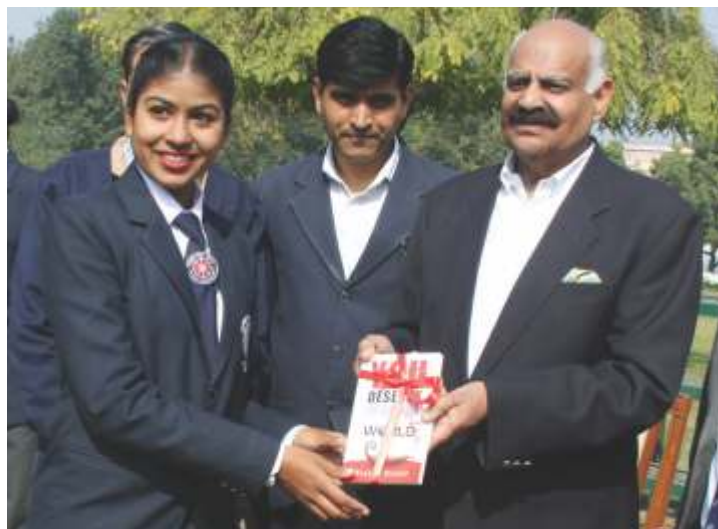


The College got the Best NSS Unit Award 2019.

ACCOLADES BEYOND BOUNDARIES

NSS Volunteer Nikita Bharti was selected by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India for the **Republic Day Parade Camp 2019** held in New Delhi from January 1 to 31, 2019.

27 student volunteers got registered and completed a 100-hour program of **Swachh Bharat Summer Internship-2018** in the first week of June 2018 in the selected villages namely: Kishangarh, Dhanas and Kaimbwala of Chandigarh (U.T.), Balongi of Mohali, Seenk of Haryana, Haripura of Rajasthan, Athan Bagh of Uttarakhand, and Ghaneiewala of Punjab. Satvikaa Singh and Vaishali Bansal received first prize at State level for Swachh Bharat Summer Internship-2018 organised by the Ministry of Water and Sanitation in association with the Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India.



Nitika Bharti being felicitated by Hon'ble Governor of Punjab, Sh. V P Singh Badnore for participating in Republic Day Parade, 2019.

Ujjwal Sangwan BSc. MFT II year was awarded Summer Research Fellowship from June-Aug 2018 by Indian Academy of Sciences and for conducting research on microbiology project titled “Understanding of Signal Transduction System kdpD in Mycobacterium Tuberculosis” in **Bose Institute, Kolkata**.

Rajita and Amy Sidhu bagged First prize in Face Painting Competition organized by **Post Graduate Government College for Girls, Sector 11, Chandigarh** on August 24, 2018.

In “Parivartan 2018,” a cultural fest organized by **Chandigarh Group of Colleges, Landran**, Namita of BA III won second position in Solo singing. She was awarded a trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 3000/-.

Devyanshi secured third position in poetry recitation, Reetika stood third in Double Dealer while Manishika, Aditi, Sukriti, Shubhanshi and Devyanshi bagged third prize in the enactment of *King Lear* at **Litmania** held at Kanya Mahavidyala, Jalandhar on August 31, 2018.

Riya Kapoor and Mehar Kaur bagged a Consolation Prize in an online Techno Creative Services-Painting Competition held on September 18, 2018. Riya won first prize in Inter College Poster Making Competition organized by **Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Hotel Management Catering and Nutrition, Sector-42, Chandigarh** on September 27, 2018.

Sonali from the Department of Home Science bagged a Consolation prize in Fresh Flower Arrangement on the World Tourism Day organized by **Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Hotel Management, Chandigarh** on September 27, 2018.

Chhavi Dhiman and Gursimran Kaur were awarded third position for their poster at National Symposium on Waste Management organized by the Association of Microbiologists of India Chandigarh Unit held at **DAV College, Sector-10, Chandigarh** on October 3, 2018.

In the **All India Painting Contest** organized by the Society for Upliftment of Masses, Delhi, the team of Faiequa, Linthoigambi and Rajita won the gold medal; Riya, Sarita, Prachi and Yukti bagged the silver medal while Mehar, Naina and Neha won the bronze medal.

Udbhavna Abeer and Deepakshi Arora won first and second prize (in Hindi and English respectively) in an Inter-College Poetry Recitation Competition organized by Gender Sensitization Society 'Jagriti' of **Government College of Commerce and Business Administration Sector 50, Chandigarh** on October 13, 2018.

In the PEC FEST 2018 held at **PEC, Chandigarh** on October 26, 2018. Saniya Sehgal of BA I won second prize in the category of Solo Singing and was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 3000/-.

Six students (including Chhavi and Gursimran) participated in B. Con 2K18-19, a workshop on “Basic Techniques in Molecular Biology” organized by Make-Intern and B.Con in collaboration with IIT, Delhi at **CGC, Landran**. In a quiz competition that followed the Workshop, Chhavi and Gursimran were selected for the final round of National level Championship (Makeintern and Ecell) held at **IIT Kharagpur** on 27-28 October, 2018 where they secured third position.

Rhea won first prize and a cash prize of Rs 3000/- in an Essay Writing competition organized by **Rajiv Gandhi National Law University, Patiala** held on October 30, 2018.

Lavniima Sharma won the Second Prize (Individual) in an **Inter–College Competition organized by Panjab University, Chandigarh** and sponsored by Vigilance Cell for observing Vigilance Awareness Week on October 30, 2018. Deepakshi Arora won second prize in Extempore in an **Inter-University Competition Expression @RGNU**L organized by Rajiv Gandhi National Law University, Patiala on October 30, 2018.

Cadet Rashim Goyal and Cadet Shweta Sharma won silver medals in solo singing and extempore respectively in First Annual Training Camp of the Army Wing held at JNV-25 from November 2 to November 11, 2018. In the Second ATC Camp held at **Government College of Home Science, Sector 10, Chandigarh** from January 3 to 12, 2019, a total of 27 cadets participated and won the Overall Trophy.

Deepkashi Arora, Udbhawana Abeer, Shruti Sharma and Lavniima Sharma were selected for District Youth Parliament Festival 2019 held on January 25, 2019 at **GCCBA-50, Chandigarh**.

Rajita Kaushal also won the Best Caricaturist award at **SGGSMUN-2018** held at SGGGS Collegiate Public School, Sector 26, Chandigarh from November 9-11, 2018; **SDMUN-2018** held at Goswami Ganesh Dutta S D College, Chandigarh held from January 18-20, 2019; at **PECMUN** organized by Punjab Engineering College on February 2-3, 2019 and **DAV MUN** held at DAV College, Sector-10, Chandigarh on 16th-17th February, 2019.

In Pratibha Fest- 2019 organized by **Gian Jyoti Group of Institutions, Mohali** on 22nd February, 2019, Amy Sidhu bagged second position in face painting, Bhoomika and Raj Lakshmi secured first and second positions respectively in clay modeling, while Rajita Kaushal got first place in Cartooning.

Riya Kapoor won second position in Poster making and Cartooning in Bio Rhythm-2019 organised by **S. D. College, Chandigarh** on March 1, 2019. Mannat Sidhu and Hargun stood first in face painting; Rhythm Sharma and Aarzoo bagged second place in face painting. Aashi bagged first position in painting, and Neha Thakur secured second position in sketching competition at an event 'Elation 2019' held at **Amity Global Business School, Mohali** on April 6, 2019.

RASHTRIYA UCHCHTAR SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

Rashtriya Uchchttar Shiksha Abhiyan has contributed immensely to the growth of the institution, both in terms of staff upgradation through capacity building programmes; student improvement through skill-oriented sessions and infrastructure enhancement in the form of procurement of advanced teaching-learning resources, instruments for laboratories and pedagogical tools. Preparatory and Infrastructure Grants received under this mission was optimally utilized to transform the spectrum of higher learning.

A STEP TOWARDS SWACHH BHARAT

RUSA Infrastructure Grant of Rs. 1.5 Cr facilitated the infrastructural growth of the institution. In view of the rising student enrolment in the past few years, there was a dire need to add to the existing number of washrooms and support units in the college. Timely release of the RUSA Infrastructure Grant helped us undertake the construction of 27 new washrooms, including three washrooms, exclusively for Divyang users. Two projects were undertaken to meet the requirements of the students and staff.

Another project i.e. construction of 12 New Washrooms with one wash-room on each floor for differently-abled users was completed in Block D (First and Second Floors) under the aegis of RUSA. This project was inspired by Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision of Swachh Bharat.

NEW INITIATIVES - RAINWATER HARVESTING SYSTEM

Committed to sustainable growth and protection of the ecosystem, the institution has installed a Rainwater Harvesting System to channel the rainwater accumulation in four blocks of the college hostel. This project comprised the following steps:

1) Construction of RWHS, RCC Tank cum Injection Well which included reinforced concrete work. 2) Drilling of the Tubewell up to depth of 100M BGL and the construction of tubewell in accordance with IS:2800 (part I) and IS (11189) to establish maximum rate of usable water yield without sand content (beyond permissible limit). 3) Laying of PVC/RCC pipe, Manhole, Main Chambers and Rainwater Chamber of size 1'6" x 1'6" for Existing Rainwater Disposal point to main Rainwater Chamber.



WATER BOOSTING SYSTEM

In order to meet the needs of the hostel students, a Water Boosting System was installed in A and B Blocks. An Underground Water Reservoir with a capacity of 10,000 gallons was constructed with RCC Walls of 9 inch thickness, doubly reinforced. 3 Horse Power single phase submersible motor pump, having 32mm dia suction was installed for boosting up the level of water with the help of 750 ft distribution pipe.

EQUIPMENT AND KNOWLEDGE RESOURCES

The funding provided by RUSA has given impetus to the infrastructural improvement of the institution so as to attain higher levels of access, equity and excellence. It has further accelerated not only efficiency but also exponential advancement in classroom teaching. In the pursuit of excellence, consistent strides have been taken to update institutional resources:

- ❖ Large Format Display was installed in the Conference Room
- ❖ Computers were procured out of RUSA Grant for setting up a Digital Lounge in the hostel.
- ❖ More Computers were procured for smooth functioning of the academic and administrative work.
- ❖ Interactive Boards as Pedagogical Aids were procured to facilitate teaching-learning environment

ENHANCING EMPLOYABILITY QUOTIENT



With the aim of enhancing the employability skills of the students, the **Placement Cell** organized several activities including a two-day motivational talk on 'Career Awareness in Indian Air Force' by Captain Manish Sabharwal on September 14-15, 2018 followed by an Orientation Session for Tata Consultancy Services; a training session on Resume Writing and a workshop on 'Interview Techniques'.

Many reputed companies visited the campus for placements, starting with the Convergys Placement Drive. Big corporate names like Amazon, IndusInd Bank, Cvent, Fitkids, Concentrix, Genpact, The Tribune, Tata Consultancy Services, Tech Mahindra, Quick Relations, DHLF, IndiGo, Infosys, Tommy Hilfiger, Wipro Technologies, IDS Infotech, HT Media Ltd., Cevent, EY Global Delivery systems, DE Shaw, Orchid International and IDSIL also visited the College. Apart from holding On-campus Placement Drives regularly, the cell ensured participation in off-campus recruitments also. Overall the placement process received active participation from companies across all domains, ensuring ample choice for the candidates to pursue careers in the fields of their choice.

INDUSTRY-ACADEMIA INTERFACE

The **Department of Microbial and Food Technology** organized “Industry-Academia Interface Series” from 29 Jan 2019- 09 March, 2019 with the aim to foster future microbiologists and food technologists. The series focussed on Lectures and Interactive sessions with eminent speakers from Industry, organizing of industrial visits to industries with a vision to inculcate industry-oriented skills among students enhancing employability skills and paving the way for scientific entrepreneurship as well. Main speakers in the series included Mr. Sidhant Banura, Director-Ashvamegha Solutions, Amritsar, Mr. Keshav Kishore Upadhyay and Mr. Pawan Kamra (MD, Nutraceutex, Baddi, HP). The students were apprised of diverse opportunities available in the fields of microbiology and food technology.

GLOBAL INTERACTION

SOCIAL MEDIA VIS-A-VIS SOCIETAL HARMONY

The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell** organized an enlightening panel discussion on 'Social Media vis-a-vis Societal Harmony' on August 7, 2018. The esteemed panelists included Prof. Divya Sharma, Division of Justice and Law Administration, **Western Connecticut University, USA**, Dr. Upneet Lalli, Deputy Director, Institute of Correctional Administration, Chandigarh and Dr. Geeta Bhagat, Head, Department of Psychology. The discussion witnessed an enriching exchange of thoughts on how social media has impacted individuals and the society as a whole. The three panelists contended that in order to use technology to promote social harmony, awareness about the pros and cons of social media, prudence and concrete action at both individual and institutional level are a prerequisite.

NANOSCIENCE, NANOTECHNOLOGY & ITS ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The **Postgraduate Department of Chemistry** organised a lecture-cum-workshop on Nanoscience, Nanotechnology and its Environmental Applications on August 8, 2018. Prof. Ahmad Umar, an internationally acclaimed academician with expertise in nanoscience and nanotechnology conducted the workshop. Dr. Umar is presently Deputy Director, Promising Centre for Sensors and Electronic Devices (PCSED), **Najran University, Saudi Arabia**. Over 40 students participated enthusiastically in the workshop during which they received hands on training in the preparation of nanoparticles. The department also hosted Prof. Nima Rezaei, Department of Clinical Immunology, Tehran (Iran) who delivered a lecture 'Primary Immuno Deficiency diseases.'



RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

The **Department of Public Administration** organized a one-day RUSA-sponsored workshop on Research Methodology on August 20, 2018. Prof. Divya Sharma, Division of Justice and Law Administration, **Western Connecticut University State University, USA** and Alumna of the College conducted this workshop in 3 sessions; Session I was focused on various types of research in social science, errors in reasoning, research ethics, types of data and policy implications, Session II dealt with sampling procedures and provided an in-depth look into qualitative and quantitative research as well, and Session III apprised the participants about data analysis and presentation techniques, authenticity, report writing and conference presentation.

VISITORS FROM WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY, AUSTRALIA



The College hosted 'Beyond Boundaries' - an event under the Cultural Exchange Programme of Panjab University, Chandigarh on November 14, 2018, to welcome students from **Western Sydney University, Australia**. The event aimed at encouraging cross-cultural interaction by familiarizing the foreign students with rich Indian culture and traditions. The Australian students who were visiting Panjab University as part of a Student Exchange Programme were overwhelmed as they experienced the rich heritage of India through a cultural extravaganza that included rendition of folk songs and traditional orchestra by students of the Department of Music and an enthralling luddi performance. An elaborate and aesthetic display of Indian culture in the form of stalls of heritage handicraft items like 'parandis', leather juttis, paintings, traditional hand painted dupattas and Indian food caught the fancy of the visiting students.

BRITISH FOOTBALL COACH VISITS MCM

Former football player and coach of the **English Football Team**, Mr. Tommy Taylor, who is also the manager of the Norwegian Second Division team Floy Football Club visited the College on September 28, 2018. Apart from being a member of the England Under-23 football team, he had also played for top tier British Club West Ham United from 1970-79. Taylor, who has an experience of nearly three decades as coach in football clubs of European countries, interacted with the football players of the college and held a coaching session with them.



EARLY INTERVENTION IN ADDICTIONS-A NEUROLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

The **Postgraduate Department of Psychology** organized a lecture on the topic 'Early Intervention in Addictions - A Neurological Perspective' on January 18, 2019. The lecture envisioned to sensitize the participants about the role of neurotransmitter in addictions and treatment of these using neurotransmitter management. The expert Dr. Kiran K. S. Bath, Stroke Director, St. Jude's Medical Center, Fullerton, California, USA discussed at length about different types of substance abuses and their impact in terms of mental as well as physical health. Reiterating that addiction is a chronic disease and needs to be treated as such, Dr. Bath said that early intervention includes identification of risk population, community education and screening programmes.

EMERGING TRENDS IN TEACHING & RESEARCH IN MARKETING, OPERATIONS/SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTING



The **Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** and the **Postgraduate Department of Commerce** organized a seminar on 'Emerging Trends in Teaching and Research in Marketing, Operations/Supply Chain Management and Accounting' on February 20, 2019 to sensitize the students about the importance of interdisciplinary research in facing major challenges of the present times, the importance of quality research and

its publication. Dr. Amrik S Sohal, Dr. Felix Mavondo and Dr. Kristian Rotaru, all from Monash Business School, Monash University, Australia and Dr. Suresh Chadha, Professor, UBS, PU, Chandigarh graced the event.

While Dr. Amrik S Sohal focused on the new emerging trends in teaching, Dr. Felix Mavondo, Professor of Marketing, Monash University, Australia shed light on the importance of innovation in teaching and interdisciplinary research. Dr. Kristian Rotaru shared his academic experiments and encouraged students to be bold in looking beyond their areas of study, to focus more on collaboration than competition. Dr. Suresh Chadha stated that the need of the hour is to adopt an interdisciplinary approach in our education system, student-oriented pedagogy and focus more on quality research.

EFFECTIVE RESUME WRITING AND FACING INTERVIEW

Striving to facilitate students in charting their career path by making informed choices, the **Career Counselling Cell** organized a session on 'Effective Resume Writing and Facing Interview' by Mr. Dilpreet Sherwal, Senior Project Manager, Infosys, USA on March 14, 2019. Stressing upon the fact that resume creates the first impression of the candidate, Mr. Sherwal said that in order to be impressive, the resume must succinctly highlight one's strengths and skills. On acing the interview, Mr. Sherwal said that body language and soft skills need to be paid attention to. In another session, Ms. Reetika Madan, Assistant Professor, Amity Global Business School, Mohali spoke about the importance of adopting an out of box approach towards one's career goals and acquiring of leadership skills.

MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING

The college, in order to fortify the academia-industry interface, has signed Memoranda of Understanding with several industries. These include agreements with:

1. Ramky Enviro Engineers Ltd, a unit of Punjab Waste Management Project Mohali for E-Waste Management.
2. Bonn Nutrients Private Ltd., Ludhiana.
3. Mai Bhago Armed Forces Preparatory Institute for the conduct of academic training for the lady cadets of AFPI.
4. Molecular Diagnostics and Research Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. for facilitating summer training, workshops, curriculum development and research projects.
5. Cremica Food Industries Ltd for course development and research projects.
6. Jonjua Overseas Pvt. Ltd. (Regd.) to promote summer internships, field visits and projects.
7. Real-Pro Management and Skill School (RMS) private Ltd. for the skill development of the students.
8. Alliance Group Mohali, Panjab for Self Defence Combat Training of students.
9. Arjun Educational for providing Coaching in IAS/ PCS/ HCS/ HAS and other Competitive Exams to the students.

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SWACHH CAMPUS RANKING 2018 OF HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The MCMDAV College for Women, Chandigarh has been ranked
First amongst the cleanest Higher Educational Institutions in the
Country in the category College (Residential) and was
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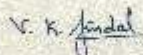

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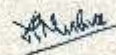


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