

Report of History Department (2021-22)



**Mehr Chand Mahajan
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Names of Programmes/Courses/ offered:

Name of the Programme/ Course	Class	Subject
UG	BA I, BA II & BA III B.Com I, BBA I, BCAI, B.Sc I	History (Elective) &HCP
	BA Hons	History

Faculty Publications /Awards/Achievements/Activities:

a) Details of Publications by the Faculty in the session:

Dr. Neha Sharma: Lessons Vetting/Editing for USOL Department Panjab University, Chandigarh.

Class	Subject	Medium	Session
B.A. Semester I	History of India 1200 AD	Hindi	2020-21
B.A Semester II	History of India 1200-1750 AD	Hindi	2020-21
B.A Semester II	History of India 1200-1750 AD	Punjabi	2020-21
B.A. Semester IV	History of the Punjab 1469-1966	Punjabi	2020-21
B.A. Semester IV	History of the Punjab 1469-1966	English	2020-21
B.A. Semester IV	History of the Punjab 1469-1966	Hindi	2020-21
M.A. Semester III	National Movement in India	English	2020-21

Lesson Writing

M.A. Semester I	Modern India	10 lessons	2020-21
M.A. Semester III	National Movement in India	10 Lessons	2020-21

b) Details of Presentations by the Faculty in the session:

Ms. Baljeet Kaur Tiwana

Presented a paper titled, 'Social Media and its impact on Indian Elections' in an International Seminar on Right to Vote: Changing Contours of Democracy held on 29th March, 2022 at The University of Legal Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

c) Other achievements:

Name of faculty	Orientation/ Refresher/ FDP	Title of the Programme	Organizing Agency	Duration	Place and Date
Ms. Baljeet Kaur Tiwana	FDP	Research Methodology	Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College University of Delhi	2 weeks	20 July-03 August 2021
	Lecture	NAAC –	MCM DAV		

Ms. Indu Mehta		Revisiting the quality benchmarks : An Assessor's Perspective	College /IQAC	1Day	28.7.2021
	FDP	Research Methodology	Teaching Learning Centre , Ramanujan College University of Delhi	2 weeks	20 July-03 August 2021

Students Publications /Awards/Achievements/Activities:

a) Details of Presentations by the students in the session:

b) Details of achievements by the students in the session:

Chandini Jaswal (Batch 2019-2022) was a Bachelor of Arts (History Honours) student at Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women .

Jaswal is also the core team member of *Karwaan: The Heritage Exploration Initiative*, a platform run by students to popularise history through columns, blogs and social media since May 2021. Through the platform, she has had the opportunity to connect with eminent historians like Professors Laura Parodi, BB Lal, Mridula Mukherjee, Priya Satia, Purushottam Aggarwal, and William Dalrymple among others. Since January 2022, Jaswal has been co-hosting discussions on Karwaan's YouTube channel called the 'Karwaan Friday Baithak'.

During COVID-19, Jaswal volunteered at an NGO called *Chhoti si Asha*, where she tutored students from the economically weaker class who had lost access to classroom teaching owing to the pandemic.

In December 2021, she secured the third position in the Urdu examination, as a part of the open, online certificate courses in Urdu and Persian by Ghalib Institute, Delhi.

Jaswal's abstract on the History of the Gurmukhi script was selected for publication by the St. Stephens College, Delhi. The research paper was published on their website 'Historically Speaking' in January 2022.

She was accepted for a master's course in religious studies at the School of African Studies, University of London.

In February 2022, she was invited by the Shyam Lal College (E), Delhi University to give a presentation on their platform the 'Graduate Scholar Talk Series'. Jaswal chose 'Recalling Black History' to celebrate Black History Month. The talk saw over eighty people in attendance and for the presentation, she was chosen as the 'Speaker of the Month' and won a book prize. She has been invited again for another presentation on their platform.

A national paper presentation competition was organised by Kirori Mal College, Delhi. Jaswal's paper on Khanzada Begum was given the second prize of the 9 selected papers—the research paper will be published in the South Asian History Journal of the College.

On May 1, 2022, Jaswal's research on *Man Singh Ki Haveli* in Jhelum (Pakistan) was published by Miranda House, Delhi on their blog website *Raahi*. Jaswal cleared the preliminary and the interview round and was selected for 'content creation and curation' at the *Museum of British Colonialism*, an international organisation based in Britain and Kenya in the same month of which she is now a member.

On May 16, 2022, she helped organise and later moderated the second lecture online lecture by *Tarikh* (the College History Society) on Sufism by acclaimed author-journalist Mehru Jaffer (a former lecturer of religious studies at the University of Vienna) which saw over 100 students and professors in attendance.

On June 30, 2022, Jaswal's research paper on Rohtas Fort (Pakistan) was published in *Demithyafy*, the history newsletter of Hansraj College, Delhi. This was followed by the publication of her interview with a partition refugee in her family titled "From Peshawar Talkies to the Indian Army" on July 4, 2022, at the Partition Museum in Amritsar. Her maiden blog for the *Museum of British Colonialism* dealt with the question of decolonisation in India and was published on July 29, 2022. Her latest blog, her second partition interview titled 'The Undeterred Son' was published by the Partition Museum on their website '47&Beyond' on August 5, 2022.

Her research papers have been selected for presentation at the New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS 2022) to be held at Syracuse University, New York in October and the Indian Association for South Asian Studies (IASAS 2022) to be held at the Benaras Hindu University in November this year.

PUBLICATION

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Jaswal, Chandini. "Taj for Husband" *Karwaan: The Heritage Exploration Initiative*, 2020. Web. <https://www.karwaanheritage.in/post/taj-for-husband>

YOUTUBE DISCUSSIONS

Recalling Black History Month, February 2022 <https://youtu.be/R5qOKB9zJj4>

Karwaan Book Club Discussion Reviewing Yashaswini Chandra's 'Tale of the Horse' <https://youtu.be/axdAdj5mrOQ>

Ms Mansi Singh Arora secured the first position in History Honours in the Panjab University exams May, 2021.

Ms Shazia Pratap Brar secured the second position in History Honours in the Panjab

Student activities organized by the Department in the session:

Title	Date	Objective	No. of Students benefitted
The History Department organized an essay writing competition on 'Gandhian ideology and its relevance among Today's youth'.	October 2, 2020	The competition aimed to reinforce research amongst students	40
<p>The student members of Tarikh Association of the History Department of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College For Women on, January 19, 2021, organised the 2nd session of 'Walking back in History'. The topic for this session was 'The Court Culture of Akbar'.</p> <p>Tarikh- the History Association of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh organised a webinar on the topic 'Prominent Women in the Mughal Era' Dr Bharti Mohan, Associate Professor, Aditi Mahavidyalaya, University of Delhi was the resource person for this highly informative webinar.</p>	<p>January 19, 2021</p> <p>26th June 2021.</p>	To educate them regarding the various aspects of History.	40

<p>To mark the 152nd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi the 'Father of the Nation', online inter- college competitions were conducted under the aegis of IQAC.</p>	<p>1st October, 2021</p>		<p>For Quiz 86 students, Poster Making 63 students and Presentation Making 41 students participated from various colleges.</p>
<p>Tarikh- the History Association of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh organised a online lecture on the topic 'Memory and Symbolism in Mughal Tombs' by Dr Mehreen Chida-Razvi , the Art and Architecture Historian (SOAS, London).</p>	<p>19th April, 2022</p>	<p>To educate them regarding the various aspects of History.</p>	<p>130</p>
<p>Tarikh- the History Association of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh organised a online lecture on the topic, 'Sufism and its Mystical Dimensions' by Ms Mehru Jaffer acclaimed author –journalist.</p>	<p>16th May ,2022</p>	<p>To educate them regarding the various aspects of Sufism.</p>	<p>100</p>