



Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women Sector 36-A, Chandigarh (U.T.)

Institutional Distinctiveness

Our Beacon of Light



MAHARISHI SWAMI DAYANAND SARASWATI



Principles of Arya Samaj

- God is the efficient cause of all true knowledge and all that is known through knowledge.
- God is existent, intelligent and blissful. He is formless, omniscient, just, merciful, unborn, endless, unchangeable, beginning-less, unequalled, the support of all, the master of all, omnipresent, immanent, un-aging, immortal, fearless, eternal and holy, and the maker of all. He alone is worthy of being worshiped.
- The Vedas are the scriptures of all true knowledge. It is the paramount duty of all Aryas to read them, teach them, recite them and to hear them being read.
- One should always be ready to accept truth and to renounce untruth.
- All acts should be performed in accordance with Dharma that is, after deliberating what is right and wrong.
- The prime object of the Arya Samaj is to do good to the world, that is, to promote physical, spiritual and social good of everyone.
- Our conduct towards all should be guided by love, righteousness and justice.
- We should dispel Avidya (ignorance) and promote Vidya (knowledge).
- No one should be content with promoting his/her good only; on the contrary, one should look for his/her good in promoting the good of all.
- One should regard oneself under restriction to follow the rules of society calculated to promote the well being of all, while in following the rules of individual welfare all should be free.

7.3.1. Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust.



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Rooted in Anglo-Vedic traditions, our institution takes pride in moulding the character of students to reinforce strong values in them so that they can contribute to strengthening the social fabric and upholding national pride in a digitally-driven world. Knowledge intertwined with technical skills and human values can ensure holistic well-being in the contemporary society which faces challenges of



disintegration due to narrow-mindedness and class-conflicts. The only way society can march ahead on road to phenomenal growth is by going back to the ancient culture as it has been envisioned in the New Education Policy 2020. True to our mission and vision, we strive to organise programmes to facilitate life-skills among the stakeholders. **Promotion of Vedic values** lies at the core of our vision. Vedic Scriptures, as vast reservoir of ethical principles, are the guiding pillars for leading a socially meaningful and

enriching life. **Our Arya Samaj Committee** remains steadfast in its commitment to create a holistic space for the students so as to inculcate these age-old values in them through various platforms.

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The objectives of the institution include fostering a global perspective among the students, learning about our rich heritage, creating awareness about our duties and constitutional values, appreciating diversity of our culture and upholding the national unity and sovereignty, critically analysing and applying the accumulated knowledge to day-to-day life and helping our stakeholders become invaluable team members.

Havan as an age-old ritual to purify the environment to nurture an overall sense of well-being is a distinctive feature of our institution. The committee organises Havan and spiritual discourses in the College to generate sensitivity among the stakeholders towards the ever-nourishing values of universal brotherhood, women empowerment, personal hygiene and environmental consciousness. A calm and

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चंडीगढ़ (जगमार्ग न्यूज़)। मेहर वंद महाजन डीएवी कॉलेज फॉर विमेन की आर्य समाज कमेटी द्वारा महीने की शुरुआत में हवन यज्ञ करने की अपनी परंपरा को कायम रखते हुए आज यहाँ हवन का आयोजन किया। छात्राओं में वैदिक मूल्यों को विकसित करने के उद्देश्य से, हवन कॉलेज में एक मासिक अनुष्ठान है जिसमें कर्मचारी और छात्र श्लोकों और मंत्रों के जाप के बीच पवित्र अग्नि की पूजा करते हैं। आर्य समाज और वैदिक मूल्यों की प्रचारक श्रीमती सरोज भिंगलानी इस अवसर पर विशिष्ट अतिथि थीं। मई महीने में जिन स्टाफ सदस्यों का जन्मदिन आता है, उन्हें प्रिंसिपल डॉ. निशा भार्गव ने माला पहना कर शुभकामनाएँ दीं। अगले माह होने वाली परीक्षाओं को देखते हुए डॉ. भार्गव ने विद्यार्थियों को अपना सर्वश्रेष्ठ देने की सलाह दी और उनकी सफलता की कामना की। स्वयं के जीवन से एक प्रेरक किस्सा साझा करते हुए, उन्होंने छात्राओं को बड़े सपने देखने और फिर दृढ़ निश्चय के साथ उस सपने को पूरा करने के लिए प्रेरित किया। उन्होंने बताया कि कॉलेज ने छात्राओं को शिक्षित करने के लिए एक समग्र दृष्टिकोण अपनाया है जिसमें छात्राओं को सफलता के लिए तैयार करने के साथ-साथ उनमें नैतिक मूल्यों को विकसित करने पर भी जोर दिया जाता है।

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Vatika, has been designed for special Yoga and meditation sessions which are conducted from time to time in the College.

Believing fervently in the significant role played by women in bringing about a qualitative change in the society, **Arya Yuvti Samaj** constituted in 2017 continued to carry forward the legacy of Arya Samaj and to strengthen the core Vedic values. It enshrines the elemental Vedic tenet of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbhkam* and service for all. The committee performs monthly Havan and participate in other Arya Samaj-centric activities like declamation contests, discourse on the teachings and life of Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati and other renowned visionaries.

Moreover, a monthly Havan is performed and a special feature of it is to shower blessings on all the staff members and Arya Samaj Student Ambassadors whose birthdays fall in that month. Events such as Declamation Contests are organised on themes reiterating moral and ethical values. Important days like Makar Sankranti, Guru Purnima and Basant Panchami are celebrated to affirm the significance of our ancient traditions in the contemporary world.

To seek divine blessings for its students in view of the upcoming Panjab University Examinations 2022, we organised havan yajna. Sh. H.R. Gandhar, Vice President, DAV



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College Managing Committee, New Delhi and Mrs. Sudesh Gandhar, Senior Governing Body Member of various DAV institutions graced the occasion with their presence and wished the students for the



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एमसीएम कॉलेज में परीक्षा से पूर्व छात्रों को शुभ आशीष हेतु करवाए हवन यज्ञ में हिस्सा लेते कॉलेज प्रिंसीपल डॉ. निशा भार्गव व अन्य। (छाया : गुरिंद्र सिंह)

चंडीगढ़, 8 जून (राम सिंह बराड़): परंपरा को ध्यान में रखते हुए, मेहर पंजाब विश्वविद्यालय की आगामी परीक्षा 2022 के मद्देनजर अपनी छात्राओं के लिए दिव्य आशीर्वाद प्राप्त करने के लिए और हर माह की शुरुआत में हवन करने की अपनी चंड महाजन डीएवी महिला कॉलेज, चंडीगढ़ ने आज यहां हवन यज्ञ का आयोजन किया। डीएवी कॉलेज प्रबंध समिति के उपाध्यक्ष एचआर गांधार और विभिन्न डीएवी संस्थानों के

वशिष्ठ शासी निकाय सदस्य सुदेश गांधार ने अपनी उपस्थिति से इस अवसर पर छात्राओं को आगामी परीक्षाओं के लिए शुभकामनाएँ दीं। छात्राओं में मजबूत मूल्य प्रणाली और आध्यात्म का भाव ऊपन्न करने के लिए कॉलेज के प्रयास की सराहना करते हुए, कहा कि बौद्धिक एवं भावनात्मक बुद्धि के विकास के साथ-साथ आध्यात्मिक बुद्धि को बढ़ाना अनिवार्य है। उन्होंने यह भी कहा कि छात्राओं में एमसीएम जैसे संस्थान का हिस्सा होने के लिए गौरव का भाव होना चाहिए जहाँ शिक्षा एवं शोध के साथ लोकाचार, नैतिकता, संस्कृति और मूल्यों की विशेष सुगंध है। उन्होंने छात्राओं को सलाह दी कि वे अपने माता-पिता के अथक प्रयासों और शिक्षकों के मार्गदर्शन के लिए सदैव आभारी रहें।

upcoming exams. Prayers to the holy fire amidst chanting of shlokas and mantras soaked the atmosphere in divinity. The staff members whose birthdays fall in the month of June were also blessed with garlands on this occasion. The winners of **Bhor Suhani** organised by Character Building Committee of the college were also felicitated after the havan.

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The Arya Samaj Committee marked the celebration of DAV Foundation Day (02.06.2022) with great fervour. The day, marking the establishment of the first DAV institution by Mahatma Hansraj on 1st June 1886 in the memory of Swami Dayanand Saraswati ji, holds immense significance for the DAV fraternity and was celebrated in a befitting manner by the college. During the celebration, the staff and students chanted mantras, followed by soulful bhajan renditions by faculty members and students.



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Various programmes are conducted to generate awareness about issues like drug-de addiction, mental health, self-esteem and role of youth in reinforcing cultural unity in our



country. Equipped with the right life-skills and respect for our rich legacy, students are being groomed to apply the educational values to their day-to-day life, thereby making their academic journey more relevant and meaningful. In an endeavour to lead by example, Principal Dr Nisha Bhargava and Dr Seema Kanwar participated in the 1001 kundiya havan on Swami Shradhanand Balidaan Divas during the **24th Varshik Utsav** held at Mahatma Hansraj Public School, Panchkula on 23rd December 2021. On 21.02.2022, Students from Department of Sanskrit participated at National level Havan Competition at Sohan Lal DAV College of Education, Ambala and bagged second position.

True to the ancient Indian values enshrined in the principles of Arya Samaj, we reaffirm our faith in the perennial force of Nature as a source of life and sustenance. We practise this faith wholeheartedly and believe that the purity of thought and action is invariably intertwined with the food we eat. Our endeavours to propagate sustainable development are clearly manifested in our urban farming measures which have grown exponentially in the last few years. From very modest beginnings into growing vegetables ecologically using no pesticides, we have come a long way and our rich and bountiful haul of vegetables and fruits is distributed among the staff members, true to the idea of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'.



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Moreover, we continue the rich Indian tradition of Naturopathy as we have a Herbal Garden, full of medicinal plants. These initiatives have been appreciated by the Chandigarh Administration on various platforms and the award of 'Best Herbal Garden' was conferred on our institution in May 2022.



The college hosted a vast array of programmes such as *Republic Day quiz*, *Independence Day Celebration*, *Baisakhi with 'Savour the Flavours of India'*, *World Atmosphere Day*, *Earth Day*, *Van Mahotsav Celebration* etc. to mark **India@75 Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav** during the academic session 2021-22. Online Quiz on 'Dr. B.R. Ambedkar', was also organized to uphold the constitutional values.



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VAN MAHOTSAV AND WORLD NATURE CONSERVATION DAY



World Nature Conservation Day and Vanmahotsav celebrated at MCM

The Anas Sandesh Times Network

Chandigarh: Committed to the cause of greener and sustainable Earth, the Department of Botany and Add on Course in Floriculture and Landscaping at Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh celebrated the annual tree plantation festival of Van Mahotsav and World Nature Conservation Day with great enthusiasms.

A plantation cum plant distribution drive was organised to mark the occasion, with an aim to spread the message of dire need for environmental conservation by practicing judicious use of the available natural resources and planting more and more trees so as to build a healthier tomorrow for the future generations.

The drive commenced with plantation of a tree sapling by the Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava.

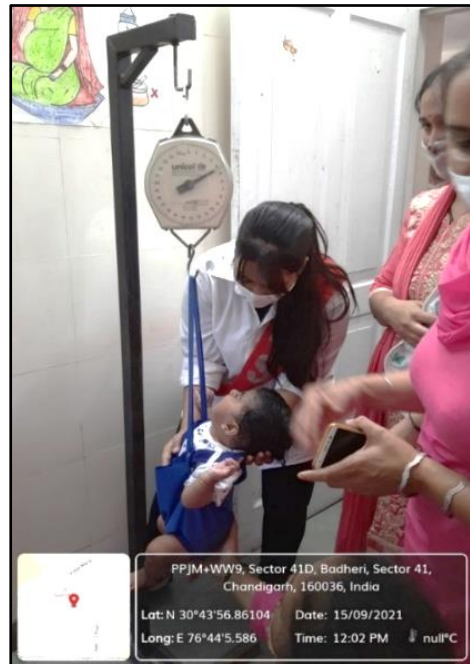
Plants including ajwain, akarkara, brahmi, stevia, harshringar, tulsi, aloe vera and neem were also distributed amongst the staff members.

Following this, saplings of medicinal and ornamental relevance provided by the Department of Forests and Wildlife, Chandigarh Administration were planted in different areas of the college.

Dr. Nisha Bhargava said that these endeavours envision to spread the message of the need to plant more trees for gifting the future generations a cleaner and greener environment. Asserting that global warming, climate change, extinction of species, etc. are the result of indiscriminate exploitation of natural resources by humans, she said that the onus of reversing the damage done so far is on us.

RASHTRIYA POSHAN MAAH

WORLD BAMBOO DAY



PLASTIC COLLECTION DRIVES- SOCIAL OUTREACH



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- <https://mcmdavcwchd.edu.in/institutional-distinctiveness-2/>
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- <https://youtu.be/XAgfTnauUK0>
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