



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



Library Report

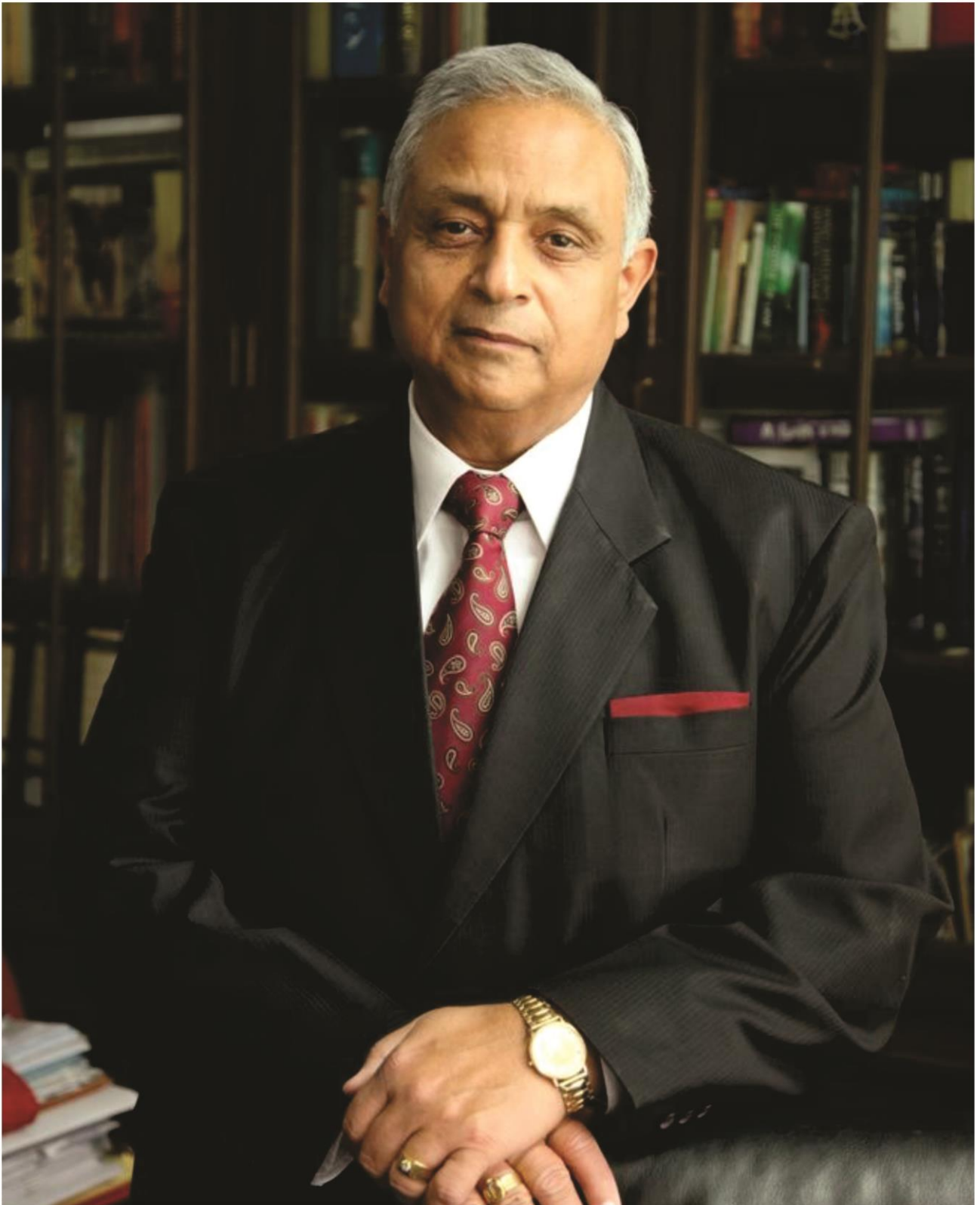
Session: 2024-25

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

“Libraries allow children to ask questions about the world and find the answers. And the wonderful thing is that once a child learns to use a library, the doors to learning are always open”

Laura Bush

Book Exhibition Celebrating Independence Day and National Librarian's Day



The Library Committee organized a two-day book exhibition on August 12th and 13th to celebrate Independence Day and National Librarian's Day. The event, held in the college library, was inaugurated by Dr. Nisha Bhargava, the Principal of the college. The exhibition showcased a wide range of books from prominent publishers, including Indu Book Services Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, The Lyall Book Depot, Chandigarh, R.K. Books Publisher, Prince Book Store, and Taxmann Publishers, New Delhi. The event drew enthusiastic participation from students and staff members, who explored and purchased books across various disciplines, including Commerce, Computer Science, Music, Reference materials, and competitive exams. The college has enhanced its academic resources by acquiring 872 new books, with an approximate value of Rs. 8,65,154. Notably, many of the books acquired were aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which has been implemented with effect from session 2024-25 under the aegis of Panjab University and the able guidance of Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava..

Independence Week Declamation Contest



The Library Committee organized a declamation contest on the eve of "Independence Week: Vision of Youth". The event, held in the college library, featured speeches on two key topics: "Role of Youth in Nation Building" and "My Vision of Viksit Bharat @2047."

The contest was judged by Dr. Sunaina Jain, Assistant Professor Department of English. Dr. Nisha Bhargava, Principal of the college, commended the participants for their dedication and expressed her pride in the students' thoughtful contributions to the nation's future. Dr. Gurvinder Kaur, Convener of the Library Committee and Coordinator of the declamation contest, was instrumental in organizing the event and inspiring the contestants. The event was also attended by Lieut. Ramneek, the Librarian, Ms. Reena Thakur, Assistant Librarian, along with other library staff members and 47 participants.

Mugdha Wadhwa, a first-year BA student (Roll No. 2135), was awarded the first prize for her compelling speech. The second prize was shared by Ritika Sharma (BA-2, Roll No. 3280) and Vanshika Jamwal (BA-2, Roll No. 2804), while Inayat Kaur Sandhu (BA-1, Roll No. 1535) earned the third position. Consolation prizes were given to Vaani Mahajan (BA-1, Roll No. 1588) and Parishti Thakur (BA-1, Roll No. 2319) for their noteworthy performances.

The event emphasized the crucial role of youth in nation-building and offered a platform for students to articulate their visionary ideas for a developed India. The participants exhibited their creative and intellectual abilities at the event.

User's orientation programme know your Library / Web OPAC

Every year the College Library conducts a user's orientation programme "KNOW YOUR LIBRARY". On 24th August, 2024 Library staff conducted 'USER'S ORIENTATION PROGRAMME KNOW YOUR LIBRARY/WEB OPAC' for all first year students (UG/PG). The purpose of these sessions is to familiarize students with the library's resources, services, and the proper procedures for utilizing the library effectively. The orientation session covered:

1. An introduction to the library's layout and facilities.
2. Guidance on how to locate and borrow books and other resources.
3. Instructions on using the library's digital resources and Web-OPAC.
4. Rules and regulations for Check-Out/Check-In of library resources.
5. Membership to access a variety of e-resources such as NLIST, DELNET and NDLI.
6. Utilizing QR codes for accessing digital resources.
7. Students raised their queries related to overdue fines, library membership cards, timings of library and other library print/digital resources.





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SECTOR 36-A, CHANDIGARH

SUNIYE SUNAAIYE

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THE SPELL OF READER'S VOICE,
THE PATIENCE OF LISTENER'S RAPT ATTENTION,
TOGETHER, ITS A MAGIC CREATED...
UNPARALLELED & SOOTHING

Let's BRING BACK reading and listening, and all the peace that it entails



THE TIME TO SHARE YOUR READING IS HERE AGAIN !

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE IS ORGANISING IT'S NEXT '**SUNIYE SUNAIYE**' EVENT.

STAFF MEMBERS (TEACHING AND NON TEACHING) AND STUDENTS
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO COME AND
SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS
ABOUT A RECENT BOOK/ ESSAY/ SHORT STORY/ ARTICLE ETC., THEY READ AND
LIKED, IN ANY DISCIPLINE AND ANY LANGUAGE

PLEASE FILL THE **GOOGLE FORM** TO PARTICIPATE.
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VENUE : STAFF CORNER, LIBRARY

DATE : 28 NOVEMBER 2024

TIME: 11.00 AM

Ms Reena
Ms Neha
Ms Ria
Organising Team

Dr Ramneeq
Co Coordinator

Dr Gurvinder Kaur
Dr Vandana Syal
Dr Mridula Sharma
Dr Neha Soi
Coordinators

MRS SUMAN MAHAJAN
PRINCIPAL

Reading session under 'Sunie Sunaiye



The Library Committee of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, organised a session under its 'Sunie Sunaiye' initiative- a platform for



the members of teaching faculty, non-teaching faculty and students to share their views about books/essays/articles they have read recently. 12 volunteers shared their views about books they have read on a variety of subjects such as philosophy, spirituality, mental health, hygiene, and personal growth. The session included warm discussions about the views shared by volunteers and kickstarted a series of similar sessions on a monthly basis. Officiating Principal Ms Suman Mahajan congratulated the Library Committee for this novel

initiative that endeavours to promote the habit of reading. Encouraging everyone with her participation in the session, Ms. Mahajan read out an excerpt from the Katha Upanishad to establish the significance of 'Shreyas' over 'Preyas'.

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"Nothing is pleasanter than exploring a library." Walter Savage Landor

The College Library
is organizing a workshop on

Web based Online Public Access Catalogue (WEB-OPAC)



Date: 29 January 2025 Time: 12:00 Noon Venue: Arts Conference Hall (Room No. 10)

All the staff members and students are invited to attend.

Lieut. Ramneek
Librarian

Dr Gurvinder Kaur
Co-convener, Library Committee

Mrs. Suman Mahajan
Convener & Offg. Principal

Mr Ashish Mudgal, Activity Incharge (Creative)

MCM holds workshop on KOHA



The Library organised a two-day workshop on KOHA Library Software. The event aimed to enhance the digital skills of the library staff, and introduce students and faculty to the advanced features of the KOHA

software, particularly the Web-OPAC (Web-Based Online Public Access Catalogue).

The training session was part of the college's ongoing efforts to modernise its library services, and provide seamless remote access to its vast collection of resources. On the first day, the library staff underwent intensive training to familiarise them with the software's operations, including cataloging, circulation, and remote access features. On the second day, a special session was conducted for faculty members and students. The session focused on operating the Web-OPAC, which allows users to search and access library resources remotely. Attendees were guided on how to navigate the system, search for books, recommend books and utilise digital resources effectively. The interactive session received an overwhelming response, with participants expressing enthusiasm about the new digital tools available to them.

Officiating Principal Ms. Suman Mahajan said that the success of the KOHA training session marks a significant step forward in the college's journey toward a more digitally integrated academic environment. She also lauded the efforts of the Library Committee to empower the library users with digital know-how to ensure effective usage of library resources.

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The College Library

is organizing a User Awareness Programme on

National Digital Library of India & NDLI Club

Date: 7 April 2025 | Time: 11:00 AM | Venue: Multimedia Hall

The session is in hybrid mode. Participant can join online by clicking **HERE**



Resource Person
Mr Suman Panja
Outreach, NDLI Club
IIT Kharagpur

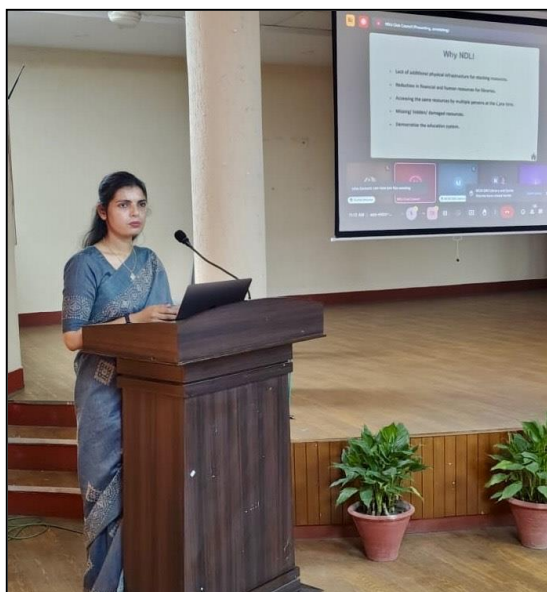
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MCM holds user awareness programme on NDLI



The Library of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh, in collaboration with the National Digital Library of India (NDLI), conducted a 'User Awareness Programme on NDLI and NDLI Club'. The event was conducted in hybrid mode, with participants joining both physically at the college campus and virtually via Google Meet. Around 60 attendees, including students and faculty members, participated in the session.



Mr. Suman Panja, a representative from the NDLI Club, IIT Kharagpur, was the resource person. He provided a comprehensive overview of the NDLI and NDLI Club, highlighting their significance as flagship initiatives under the Ministry of Education, Government of India. The key topics covered in the programme were introduction to NDLI, registration, navigation, content access on the NDLI platform and its planned activities, procedure to generate Event Participation Certificates, and academic and research benefits of utilising NDLI's digital repository.

Officiating Principal Ms. Neena Sharma lauded the Library Committee for holding this programme that aligns with the Digital India Mission, emphasising the role of digital tools in enhancing learning outcomes. She informed that the college has officially registered with NDLI and NDLI Club, thereby highlighting the college's commitment to fostering digital literacy among students and faculty.

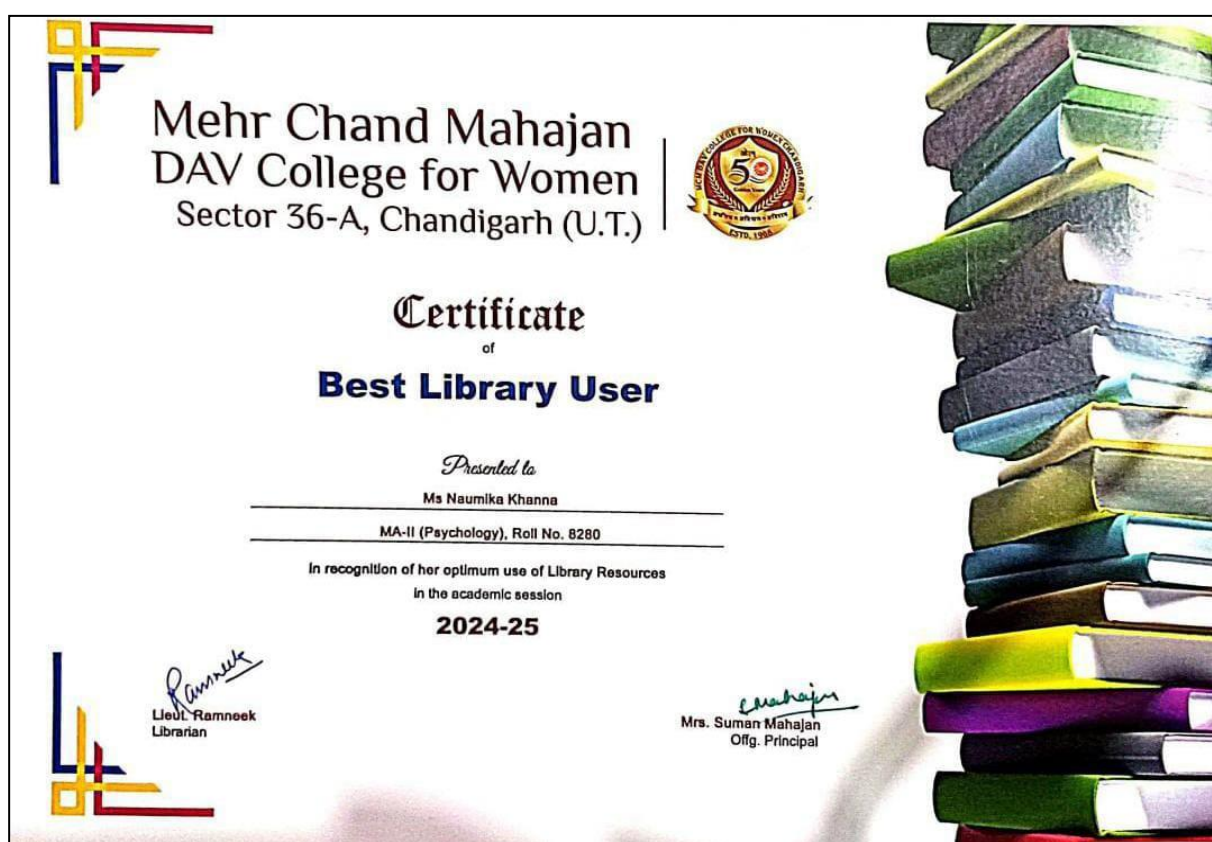
Best Library User Award 2024-25



The “Best Library User Award” is awarded to recognize students who make exceptional use of the library’s resources and services. It serves as a means to encourage both students and faculty to actively engage with the library and its wide range of offerings. The award is presented annually to one undergraduate

and one postgraduate student, based on criteria such as book usage, frequency of library visits (Footfall), utilization of online resources, and adherence to library rules.

For the session 2024–25, the Best Library User Award was conferred upon Dr. Pallavi Rani, Assistant Professor, under the faculty category. Among students, Naumika Khanna, M.A. II (Psychology), and Saniya, B.Com. III, were honoured.



Library Report (2024 to 2025)

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Annual expenditure for the purchase of books / e-books and subscription of journals / e-journals in the session 2024-25 is of Rs. 24,37,637.62/-.

- A total of 1,954 books were added to the collection during the year.
- The library has further enhanced its digital infrastructure by adding "DrillBit-Online Plagiarism Detection Software" and maintains its operations using the KOHA library management system, ensuring fully computerized functions with barcode scanning for issue-return operations.
- Internet facilities and Web OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue) remain accessible to all students and staff. Regular access to e-resources such as INFLIBNET, DELNET, and the National Digital Library (NDL) is facilitated through dedicated library orientation programs for users.
- In our commitment to inclusivity, the library offers specialized support for visually impaired users with tools like the Lex Instant Reader & Scanner.
- Furthermore, users now have access to a premium e-book collection featuring a rich catalogue of titles from McGraw-Hill Publications. dents through emails and telephonically on regular interval.



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