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INTRODUCTION

The academic year 2015-16 began with the most anticipated moment for all of us. The year saw dreams turning into reality. Ram Lal Anand College (Evening), finally, turned into Aryabhata College, a regular day college. It is a matter of extreme pride to witness the change, and more significantly, to be a fundamental part of that formative transition that will shape the future of Aryabhata College.

Today, as we celebrate the 2nd Annual College day, the occasion demands that we take a stock of things done, review the progress made and acknowledge the achievements of our students, teaching faculty members and the non-teaching staff.

Looking back in retrospect, one is thrilled to have witnessed a new surge of energy that has resulted in noticeable developments in the College.

INFRASTRUCTURE

To begin with the infrastructure, the only independent infrastructure available with the college at its inception was an academic block with two office rooms, a computer laboratory, the Principal's room and a library stack hall. With this bare minimum, the College started work on the expansion front. In April last year, the college inaugurated its academic block comprising of 15 classrooms and a staff room. I am glad to state that we have come quite a long way during this short journey of 12 months.

After provisioning the classrooms and the staff room with appropriate furniture, we created a seminar hall that has been a hive of activity since its commissioning, a new computer laboratory to enable the beginning of new courses, and a reading hall that remains occupied from early morning till late evening. Recently, the Seminar Hall was inaugurated and is in use now to host seminars, talks, PowerPoint presentations, film screenings and conferences. Keeping in mind our increased reliance on technology and ICT as well as for the convenience of the teachers, two computers and a printer were placed in the staff room for easy access to online reading materials.

Our serious handicaps were the lack of sufficient classrooms, office space (in particular for student dealing and record storage), a reasonably well sized library, a usable sports field, study space for teachers and a cafeteria. However, I am glad to report that we are on schedule in developing all the above.

Renovation and remodeling of a part of the existing administrative building and a store room was started in December and we are soon to commission a new student dealing office and records store as well as study halls for students and teachers.

The construction of buildings and a concomitant expansion of infrastructure are going on in full swing. Work on the leftover part of academic block was started a month ago. This

includes 10 classrooms, a two-storey library and a two-storey canteen. We are currently running on schedule and hope that the buildings would be available for the next session in July-August 2016. The plans for repair of the sports ground are on the anvil and we hope to start the same during this summer to get it ready at the same time.

In a happy turn of events, the permanent college buildings have been approved by the sanctioning authorities and we are currently in the process of starting its construction too. This dream would have forever remained so, but for the timely intervention by the Chairman of our college governing body. I also wish to record my gratitude to the honourable members and the Chairman of the Building Committee and my colleagues in the infrastructure and purchase committees for their immense effort and patience. Your selfless efforts shall be remembered by generations of students and teachers.

Along similar lines of developments, I am happy to announce that four more honours courses- History, Mathematics, Computer Science and Psychology- that were earlier ratified by the University will be introduced in the coming academic session. It will add to the richness of courses as well as attract the best minds that will benefit immensely from such a wide pool of subjects on offer.

For a college that is still acquiring its wings it is nothing short of a major milestone success that we successfully got the approval of the UGC to host national seminars. Four departments- English, Hindi, Political Science and Computer Science- organized one to two days National level seminars that saw speakers and performers from various universities from across the country participating in the conference, thus making it a hugely successful event that has enhanced the academic profile of the College.

Indeed, on the numerous occasions that I have had the opportunity to inaugurate and participate in the college events organized by so many departments, I was delighted to see the best effort that had gone into the making of those events. It is certainly remarkable to see our students making the best of whatever we have to start off with. So, I take this moment to congratulate my wonderful students and the dedicated team of teachers who have kept the show going, and successfully so. The challenges have been many but you made sure that it would not come in the way of achieving what we collectively dream of when we think of Aryabhata College.

Academic Achievements of the Teaching Staff

Apart from their duty and commitment towards teaching, the members of the teaching faculty have been actively engaged in other academic pursuits that have added to their own development as well as to the name and overall enhancement of the College. Their individual contributions range from publishing books, delivering paper presentations and keynote lectures at national and international conferences to conducting workshops and seminars in Indian universities and foreign institutions.

ENGLISH

- **Dr. Pamela Anwer, Associate Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled 'Quizzing Anti-Popular Stereotypes: A Reconsideration of the case of Shakespeare' at the UGC sponsored seminar on 'Stereotypes in Text and Performance. Aryabhata College, Delhi University in March 2016.

- **Dr. Rajesh Kumar Dwivedi, Associate Professor**

1. Invited to be the Keynote speaker for a national seminar on 'Swami Vivekananda: The Voice of Resurgent India' on held on 30th January 2016 at K M Mayavati Govt. Girls Post Graduate College, Badalpur, Gautam Buddh Nagar, UP.

- **Dr. B. Mangalam, Associate Professor**

1. Published a Critical Edition of *The Book of Vanji* (Delhi, Worldview, 2015).
2. Invited by the Dalit Studies Centre at the Department of English, University of Delhi, to make a presentation at their one day workshop on 'Life Writings by Dalits: Across Languages and Cultures'.
3. Delivered a talk on 'Classical Tamil Literature: Issues and Framework' at Ramjas College, University of Delhi.
4. Delivered a lecture on 'Silapathikaram: Critical Concerns' at PGDAV College (Morning), University of Delhi.
5. Made a presentation on 'Mapping Indian Classical Literature in English Studies' at Shaheed Bhagat Singh College, University of Delhi.
6. Invited by ARSD College to make a presentation on Ilango's Epics and Sangam Literature at their seminar on Indian Classical Literature.
7. Taught a course at Department of English, North Campus, for the M.A. English Programme under Co-operative Teaching Scheme.

- **Dr. Geeta Budhiraja, Associate Professor**

1. Contributed an article on 'Ecofeminism in the Indian Context', in *Women and Empowerment in Contemporary India* published by Worldview Publications for the Generic Elective Course titled 'Contemporary India: Women and Empowerment', under the CBCS system of Delhi University.

- **Dr. Devender Singh, Assistant Professor**

1. Delivered a talk on 'T S Eliot and W B Yeats as Modernist Poets' at PGDAV College (Eve.), University of Delhi on 19th November 2015.
2. Coordinated a three day workshop at the office of *Story People*, Mumbai, on Short Film Making for the students of PICWIC Film and Photography Society, Aryabhata College during 23-28 November, 2015.
3. Coordinated a One Day National Seminar, 'Dr. B R Ambedkar as True Nation Builder' in the college on 24th February 2016.
4. Published a book *The Journey of Dr. B R Ambedkar: A Pictorial Tribute*, ISBN 978-93-85209-96-3. Published by Sangarsh Publication and Facilitated by the Ministry of Social Justice, Govt. of India and Dr. Ambedkar Foundation, New Delhi.
5. Conducted 10 interviews of prominent Scholars and social scientist across the country on Baba Saheb Dr. B R Ambedkar.
6. Coordinated an inter college Creative Writing Competition on 2nd March 2016 in the college.
7. Presented a paper on 'Caste and Gender Stereotypes in Performing Arts' in the national seminar held at Aryabhata College on 4th-5th March 2016.
8. Invited by S M D S D College, Pathankot, to deliver lectures on 'Contribution of Swami Vivekanand and Dr. B R Ambedkar in Nation Building'. Delivered the lecture on 12th April 2016 on the same topic to the faculty members of this college.
9. Invited by the Registrar, Punjab Technological University, Dinanagar Campus to deliver a lecture on Dr. B R Ambedkar and Women Empowerment.

- **Ms. Preeti Gacche, Assistant Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled 'Inclusivity and Children's Literature: A Disability Study Perspective' organized by IMRF, Thailand World Research Congress in May 2015.
2. Presented a paper titled 'House of the Seven Gables: A Feminist Disability Reading' organized by Department of English, KL University and IMRF.

- **Dr. Kamayani Kumar, Assistant Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled, 'Politics of Migration and Identity' in a UGC Sponsored National Conference at Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi on 28th-29th February 2016.
2. Book Review, Vishwajyoti Ghosh (Ed.). 2013. *This Side That Side: Restorying Partition*, Millennial Asia, April 2016.

- **Mr. Binoy Bhushan Agarwal, Assistant Professor**

1. Selected for the 9th Global Meeting on 'Storytelling: Global Reflections on Narratives', an international conference at Mansfield College, Oxford University, UK.
2. Invited to deliver a research paper 'Intimate Relations: Family and Romance in the Early Colonial India' at the Colonial/Postcolonial New Researcher's Seminar at the Institute of Historical Research, University of London organized in collaboration with Imperial and World History, London, UK.
3. Co-authored a book *The Sasian Journey*, 2015. Asian Heritage Foundation, 2015.
4. Edited H. G Well's *The Invisible Man*. Heritage Publishers, New Delhi 2015.
5. Published book reviews for *The Earthen Lamp Journal*, a literary e-zine.
6. Published paper titled 'To be a White and Male in the American South: Negotiating Race and Gender in William Faulkner's "Dry September"', in *English Forum*, Gauhati University, 2015.
7. Invited to be a part of jury to judge inter-college competition at Gargi College, Delhi University in September 2015.

- **Ms. Roshni Verma, Assistant Professor**

1. Attended a four-day workshop on Film and Photography including a documentary making project in Mumbai during 24th-28th October 2015.

ECONOMICS

- **Dr. Surajit Deb, Associate Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled 'Gap between GDP and HDI: Are the Rich Country Experiences Different from the Poor?' at the OECD Special Conference held in Paris on 16th-17th April 2015.
2. Published a paper titled: 'The Human Development Index and Its Methodological Refinements' in *Social Change*, Volume 45, Number 1, 2015.
3. Presented a paper 'Gender Roles in Family Decision Making: Results from Indian States' at the 18th Annual Conference on Global Economic Analysis held in Victoria University, Melbourne during 17th-19th June 2015.
4. Presented a paper titled 'Economic Growth and Human Development Outcomes: Result from Chinese Provinces' at the 8th All India Conference of China Studies held in Sikkim University, Gangtok during 5th -7th November 2015.
5. Presented a paper titled 'What Happened to Human Development after the Arab Spring? Analysis of the Middle-East Region' at the IARIW-CAPMAS Conference held in Cairo, Egypt during 23th -25th November 2015.

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6. Presented a paper titled 'Regulation and Private Sector Development in the Grain Market Operations of India' at the CUTS/CIRC 4th Biennial Competition, Regulation and Development Conference held in Nairobi during 12th -13th December 2015.

- **Dr. Suvojit Lahiri Chakravarty, Associate Professor**

1. Chapter contribution titled 'Financial Integration and Monetary Policy independence: The Indian experience' in '*Emerging issues on inclusive growth, business and environment*'.
2. Published a paper titled 'Monetary Transmission in India - An Evaluation' in *Pragati: Journal of Indian Economy*, July - Dec issue 2015.
3. Presented a paper titled 'Changes in Transmission Channel of Monetary policy in India' at the UGC sponsored National Seminar on 'Changing Business and Economic Environment in India ' at Aurobindo College, Delhi University on 26th-27th February 2016.
4. Presented a paper titled 'Monetary policy transmission across financial markets - the role of interest rates' in the UGC sponsored National Conference on 'Emerging Issues in International Trade and Finance in the Post-Recession Period' at Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, Delhi University on 22nd -23rd February 2016.

- **Mrs. Deepika Goel, Associate Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled 'Inflation Persistence in India' at the annual conference of The Econometrics Society of India held at IIM, Kohizkode in January 2016.
2. Participated in a workshop for Introductory Econometrics at Dayalbagh University, Agra held in collaboration with The Econometrics Society of India. The computer applications sessions conducted by Mrs. Deepika Goel along with two other DU teachers was highly appreciated and recognized in the local print media.

HISTORY

- **Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Associate Professor**

1. As a Chairperson attended an ICSSR sponsored national seminar on 'Gender Disparity and Women Security: Issues, Challenges and Solution' in the Technical session in K M Mayawati Govt. Girls PG College, Badalpur, Uttar Pradesh on 28th November 2015.
2. Attended a UGC sponsored national seminar in K M Mayawati Govt. Girls PG College, Badalpur on Swami Vivekananda: The Voice of Resurgent India as a chairperson of Technical session on 30th January 2016.

- **Dr. Krishna Murari**

1. Published a Chapter 'Political Participation of Women in Early India' in Prashant Srivastava edited Indian Culture and Art: Continuity and Change (Shri R C Tripathi Felicitation Volume) Delhi. 2015.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

- **Shri Ranjan Kumar, Assistant Professor**

1. Presented a research paper titled 'Adoption and Evolution of FOSS: Key Factor in the Development of Apache Web Server' in an International Conference, ICRAMSCS-2015 2015 at Central University of South Bihar, Patna during 29th -31th May 2015.
2. Completed a refresher course on ICT at HRDC, Lucknow University during 1st -21st March 2016.

- **Mrs. Priti Jagwani, Assistant Professor**

1. Published a research paper titled 'Analyzing Internet Messaging Apps for Safety Threats: WhatsApp Case Study' in an international journal, *ASPIRARE* in September 2015.
2. Paper titled 'Trajectory Anonymization Based on Graph Split using EMD' accepted in an International Journal, *IJCSE-Inderscience*" in October 2015.

- **Ms. Sonal Linda, Assistant Professor**

1. Presented a research paper titled 'A Fuzzy Trust Enhanced Collaborative Filtering for Effective Context-Aware Recommender Systems' in an International Conference, ICTIS-2015 at Ahmedabad during 28th-29th Nov 2015.

MATHEMATICS

- **Dr. Naveen Kumar Jain, Assistant Professor**

1. Co-authored a paper along with V. Ravichandran and Kanika Sharma 'Starlike function associated with a Cardioid, Afrika Mathematica'.

COMMERCE

- **Dr. J.K. Singh, Associate Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled, 'Trend of Corporate Reforms in India since the year 1991' at a workshop on 'Paradigm Shift in Corporate India' held at Sharda University.

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2. Presented a paper on 'Reforms in Indian Corporate Industry with Special Reference to Ethics and Corporate Governance' in an Academic Workshop on Corporate Governance and CSR: Issues and Challenges' in April 2015 at Galgotias University.
 3. Invited to deliver a lecture on Equity Research and Stock Market Trading Operations at the Inaugural session of 5 day workshop at School of Business Studies, Sharda University in October 2015.
 4. Published a research paper on 'Financial Inclusion: A Quantitative Assessment of the Benefits Expected by Rural and Urban Class' in an international peer reviewed and referred Scholarly Research Journal for Inter disciplinary Studies, ISSN: 2278-8808, Volume 3, Issue: 19 September 2015.
 5. Published a research paper on 'Statistical Analysis of Difference in the Returns of Various Listed Financial Products over Short Term Period' in Peer Reviewed International Journal of Management & IT in December 2015.
 6. Published a research paper on 'Market Index: Not a Barometer for Determining Sectoral Indices Returns in the Short Term Period' in a peer reviewed journal of Fairfield Institute of Management and Technology: The Educator Year Bi-annual Journal (ISSN No. : 2277-9736 Vol. : VIII) in June-December 2015.

- **Dr. Monica Aggarwal, Assistant Professor**

1. Awarded Ph.D for thesis titled 'Relationship between Corporate Social Responsibility and Business Performance' submitted to Department of Financial Studies, University of Delhi in 2016.
2. Co- authored a paper titled 'Statistical Analysis of Difference in Returns of Various Listed Financial Products over Short Term Period' published in *Splint International Journal of Professionals*, November 2015 issue.
3. Co- authored a paper titled 'A Comparative Study of Non-performing Assets of Banks: An Indian Experience' published in *The Educator: FIMT bi-annual Journal*, June-December 2015 issue.
4. Published a paper titled 'Impact of Corporate Social Responsibility on Financial Performance - an Indian Experience' in *KAAPV International Journal of Economics, Commerce and Business Management*, Jul-Sep 2015 issue.
5. Delivered a lecture on 'Corporate Social Responsibility: Emerging Issues" in Galgotia University.
6. Presented a paper in workshop on 'Corporate Social Responsibility: A paradigm Shift' in Sharda University.
7. Attended a Faculty Development Programme 'Leveraging Research Tools for Quality Research' organized by Department of Financial Studies, Ramanujan College and Indian Accounting Association held in June 2015.
8. Attended a 3 week Refresher Course organized by UGC-HRDC, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi from July 30th to 20th August 2015.

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9. Currently Involved in Innovation Project (2015-16)- 'Towards real time monitoring of malnutrition using mobile computing' sponsored by the University of Delhi.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

- **Dr. Rajendra Dayal, Associate Professor**

1. Published two books; *Constitutional Democracy in India: Institutions at Work* and *An Introduction to Political Processes in India*.
2. Presented a paper titled 'Ambedkar's Imaginary of Nation' at International Seminar held at Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad.
3. Chaired Technical session of Colloquium of creative political theory held at India International Centre.
4. Published an article in an International journal *China-India Dialogue* titled 'Nutritional Status of Children in India'.
5. Supervised the dissertation of M.Phil student, Mr. Alok Kumar Singh, who was awarded M.Phil degree and is currently supervising dissertation of another M.Phil student Mr. Pardeep Kumar.

- **Dr. Satish Kumar Jha, Associate Professor**

1. Invited by the Gandhi Study Society, JDM College, Delhi University to speak on Gandhi and the communal Question in October 2015.
2. Invited by the Delhi Government to be a panelist in a day long discussion organized in south west district to discuss Ambedkar's thought on the occasion of his Mahaparirman Diwas on 6th December 2015.
3. Unanimously elected Editor for the *Kautilya Journal of Political Science* by Bihar and Jharkhand Political Science Association.
4. Presented a paper on 'Problematizing Democratic and Constitutional Morality in Ambedkar' in a national seminar organized by Shaheed Bhagat Singh College, Delhi University.
5. Presented a paper in an international seminar, 'A Modernist Rebel against Modernity: Explorations in Ambedkar's Political Thought' and also chaired a session in the same organized by Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad on 19th - 20th March 2015.
6. Invited by Allahabad Central University to speak at the national seminar on 'Ethnicity and Nation Building in South Asia' to be held on 29th and 30th April.
7. Co-coordinator for an election study of the Bihar Assembly election 2015 conducted by *Peoples' Pulse*, Hyderabad.

- **Mr. Anand Saurabh, Assistant Professor**

1. Selected Affiliated Fellow at Developing Countries' Research Centre, University of Delhi on 27th January 2016.
2. Contributed a paper titled 'Persistence of Crisis in Indian Agriculture' in A.P. Singh, (ed.) '*Development Process and Social Movements in Contemporary India*', Pinnacle Books, ISBN-9383848146.
3. Published a chapter 'Urbanization in India: Impact on Environment, Infrastructure, Employment and Civic Amenities' in T. Biswal, (ed.) '*Governance and Citizenship*', VIVA Books, ISBN- 978813093031.

- **Dr. Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak, Assistant Professor**

1. Presented a paper titled 'India's Search for Great Power Identity in New World Order' at the ICSSR Sponsored National Conference on 'India's Changing Role in the New World Order' organized by Maharaja Agrasen College, University of Delhi on 14-15th March 2016.
2. "जम्मू और कश्मीर में परिसीमन आयोग की सीमाएं", केंद्रीय विश्वविद्यालय, हिमाचल प्रदेश और जम्मू-कश्मीर अध्ययन केंद्र, नई दिल्ली, द्वारा 9-11 सितंबर 2015.
3. Published "विभेदकारी अनुच्छेद" यथावत, वर्ष-3, अंक 6, 1-15 नवंबर 2015, ISSN 2350-0409
4. Published "संविधान की आत्मा का हनन: अनुच्छेद 35-ए" यथावत, वर्ष-2, अंक-18, 1-15 मई 2015, ISSN 2350-0409
5. "राजनीतिक सिद्धान्त और उसकी प्रासंगिकता" Institute of Life-Long Learning, University of Delhi, New Delhi, 2016, ISSN NO 2349-154X
6. Co-coordinator for the National Seminar on 'Dr. B. R. Ambedkar: The True Nation Builder' organized by Ambedkar Study Circle, Aryabhatta College on 24th February 2016.

HINDI

- **Dr. Neetu Jai Singhani, Assistant Professor**

1. Participated in the One Day Workshop on 'Gender Sensitization and Implementation of Woman at Workplace' under the Sexual Harassment of Woman at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act 2013. Jointly organized by the Woman's Studies and Development Centre in collaboration with Internal Complaints Committee, University of Delhi, on 3rd November 2015.

2. Participated in a Capacity-Building Workshop on e-content creation in Hindi held on 2nd February 2016 at Institute of Lifelong Learning, University of Delhi.
3. Presented a paper titled '*Stree Swar ka ek Mukhar Dastawez Nadira Zahir Babar ka Natak: Jee Jaisi Aapki Marji*' at the National seminar organized by PGDAV college on 12th-13th February 2016. Published the same as a chapter in a book titled *Badalta Bhartiye Pariwesh Aur Swatantraotar Hindi Natak*, ISBN No 978-93-82597-48-3.
4. Participated in a MOOC Workshop held on 4th March 2016 at Institute of Lifelong Learning, University of Delhi.
5. Participated in a MOOC Workshop held on 30th March 2016 at Institute of Lifelong Learning, University of Delhi.
6. Elected Executive Member (twice) of Delhi University Woman Association for 2016-2018.
7. Judged a debate Competition '*Sahitya hi Safalta ki Kunji Hai*' organized by Gandhi Bhawan, University of Delhi on 20th December 2015.
8. As a Coordinator of College Theater Society *Rangmanch* supervised the actors for their performance *Do Raaste*, a street play performed at Gandhi Bhawan, University of Delhi on 27th Jan 2016.

Accomplishments by the Departments, Clubs and Societies

ENGLISH LITERARY SOCIETY (Convener: Dr. B. Mangalam)

The English Literary Association has been active throughout the year. It held a series of Talks and Discussions with eminent scholars and writers.

A Talk on Modern European Drama was delivered by Dr. Swati Pal, Associate Professor at the Department of English and Principal of Janaki Devi Memorial College.

Dr. Kuljeet Singh from Khalsa College, eminent director and theatre practitioner, made a presentation on Classical Sanskrit Drama to a large audience of students and faculty.

Films and dramatic representations of Kalidasa's *Abijnana Shakuntalam* and Sangam epics were shown to English Honours students.

The eminent Dalit writer, Bama, whose works have been widely translated into English, French and various Indian languages visited our college and interacted with our students from English and Political Science departments. Teachers and students from many South Campus colleges also participated in the discussion following Bama's presentation on 'Narratives of Stereotypes: the Subaltern Experience'. Her talk was, in fact, a curtain raiser to the two-day UGC sponsored national conference that was organized by the English Literary Association.

The national conference 'Narratives of Stereotypes in Text and Performance' was a huge success in terms of participation, engagement and interventions that poured in from students, faculty of our college and across universities of Delhi and JNU. Resource Persons from Department of English, DU, JNU and Kalashetra made presentations on the theme of the seminar. Papers were presented by teachers of various colleges from DU and one of our students, Parul Rohan. Theatre directors, poets and writers also made presentations and insightful discussion ensued through the two days of the conference. It has been proposed to publish the proceedings of this conference.

HISTORY SOCIETY

The History department had a busy year with a series of talks and lectures that aimed to stimulate students' interest on matters of historical concerns and to explore continuity between the past and the present. Dr. Aniruddh Deshpande, Associate Professor in the Department of History, Delhi University, delivered a lecture on Fascism. It was followed by another insightful talk by Dr Rakesh Kumar, Associate Professor from Ram Lal Anand College on 'Sources of Medieval India'. Similarly, Dr. Kartikeya Kohli delivered a lecture on 'Planning Commission'. Dr. Yuthika Mishra, Associate Professor at Vivekanand Mahila College talked about 'Women in Pre-Modern Europe'. Dr. Rakesh Kumar gave a stimulating presentation on 'Architecture and Painting in Mughal India'.

Adding to the diversity was a study tour of Delhi that was organized by the Society. The team explored the National Museum, Humayun's Tomb and Qutub Minar in order to understand the Mughal architecture.

POLITICAL SCIENCE SOCIETY

The Political Science Society had its Annual Diary full with multiple events happening throughout the academic session 2015-2016:

The Society kick started its calendar by organizing a day-long session on 'Nehru and Modernity in Contemporary India' on 9th September 2015. On 29th September 2015 a talk by Dr. Ashok Kumar was organized on the theme- 'India's development path in the era of neo-liberal economic policies and its impact'. The following month saw yet another engaging session on a contemporary issue titled 'Samajik Arthik Sambandh me Jammu-Kashmir' (Jammu and Kashmir in the Context of Socio-Economic Relations). Like every society, the Political Science Society too hosted a two day intercollege festival- CONFLUENCE. Aiming to do something different, the Society held a book discussion on 'Swatrantyotar Bhartiya Rajniti' on 27th February 2016. The Society closed its yearly activities by successfully hosting a two day National Seminar on 'Political Leadership in Independent India: Challenges and Emerging Issues' held in March 2016.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

The Department of Computer Science successfully organized a two-day workshop on 'Mobile Application Development Using Android Programming' on 9th-10th March 2016. The Department also hosted a one day seminar on 'Enriching NLP resources for Resource Poor Indian Languages with Special focus on Sindhi Language' on 19th February 2016.

COMMERCE

The department of commerce has been highly active in conducting seminars, placements, educational tours, organizing trekking/excursion trips apart from the usual and IT based teaching.

As a token of love and respect for our defense forces, the Commerce Society observed a candle march in the wake of the terrorist attack on soldiers in Pathankot. It has also conducted Road safety training for students inviting team from Hero Motocorp as part of Institutional Social Responsibility.

The department conducted 6 seminars on different topics inviting speakers from industrial sectors and educational institutions and another 6 workshops on placement training. The placement cell was made operational and has been able to provide job to 9 candidates as financial analysts and research analysts in Bajaj Capitals Ltd & Pure Research Ltd with a pay package of Rs2.5 Lacs+Rs50,000 incentive per annum.

The college also sponsored two educational tours to inculcate the spirit of adventure and raise environmental awareness about hill stations. Consequently, trips to Dalhousie and Manali were organized which saw a very keen participation from students.

ECONOMICS SOCIETY

The Economics Society convened a lecture by Dr. Ramna Vasudevan, University of Colorado, on 'Understanding the Financial Turmoil in China'. It also held a one day festival- SCIMONOCE- comprising of intercollege competitions on 9th March 2016.

BUSINESS ECONOMICS SOCIETY

The Business Economics Society held a series of events. An Extempore Competition was organized on 28th August 2015. A talk on 'Food Security' was organized where Dr. B S Mohapatra, the Executive Director of FCI delivered the lecture. It also hosted an intercollege festival under the name *Arthvridhhi*.

HINDI

शैक्षिक वर्ष 2015-2016 के हिन्दी विभाग के मुख्य आकर्षण –

1. प्रसन्नता का विषय है कि, हमारे विभाग में 4 स्थायी रिक्त पदों को क्रमशः डॉ. धीरेन्द्र बहादुर सिंह, डॉ. बीरेन्द्र कुमार, डॉ. नीतू जयसिंघानि तथा डॉ. प्रोमिला ने सुशोधित किया | इन चारों के उज्वल भविष्य की शुभकामना के साथ मैं विश्वास करता हूँ, कि हिन्दी विभाग उन्नति का आकाश छूएगा |
2. इस वर्ष आर्यभट्ट महाविद्यालय के हिन्दी विभाग में, हिन्दी साहित्य परिषद् का गठन हुआ , जिसके अंतर्गत सबसे बड़ी उपलब्धि प्राचार्य के सकारात्मक विचार और यू. जी.सी. के अनुग्रह अनुदान से चौदह एवं पंद्रह मार्च को दो दिवसीय राष्ट्रीय संगोष्ठी का आयोजन हुआ | जिसका विषय था, “सत्ता, संस्कृति, तथा साहित्य भक्ति आन्दोलन से आज तक” इस गोष्ठी के स्मारम्भ सत्र के विद्वान वक्ता महात्मा गाँधी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय विश्वविद्यालय (वर्धा) के कुलपति प्रोफेसर गिरीश्वर मिश्र तथा अध्यक्ष संत साहित्य के उदभट विद्वान् डॉ. रमेशचंद्र मिश्र थे | इस सत्र का संचालन हिन्दी विभाग प्रभारी तथा संगोष्ठी के संयोजक डॉ. रामावतार शर्मा ने किया | तीनों शब्दों के मंथन से निष्कर्ष निकला की तीनों की टकराहट से ही जीवन मूल्य निकलते हैं और ये जीवन मूल्य आदर्शवादी भी होते हैं और यथार्थवादी भी, परंपरागत भी और प्रगतिशील भी | इस सत्र का समापन कॉलेज के प्राचार्य डॉ मनोज सिन्हा के धन्यवाद ज्ञापन से हुआ |
3. प्रथम सत्र (भक्तिकाल) की अध्यक्षता विद्वान् प्रोफेसर डॉ. पाण्डेय ने की, संचालन संगोष्ठी के संयोजक डॉ रामावतार शर्मा ने किया तथा धन्यवाद ज्ञापन डॉ. नीतू जयसिंघानि की मधुर वाणी से हुआ | इस सत्र का निष्कर्ष रहा कि त्याग ही अद्वैत का आधार है और अद्वैत ही यथार्थ को जीवित रखता है यही जीवन मूल्यों की सार्थकता है |
4. दूसरे सत्र (रीतिकाल) की अध्यक्षता प्रोफेसर के.एन.तिवारी ने की, संचालन अपने दायित्व बोध में सजग उद्यमी डॉ. बीरेन्द्र कुमार ने किया | इस सत्र का निष्कर्ष रहा कि नीति और श्रृंगार जीवन के शुष्क और सरस जीवन मूल्य है, जो कभी अप्रासंगिक नहीं हो सकते |
5. तीसरे पुनर्जागरण सत्र की अध्यक्षता प्रोफेसर राजेन्द्र गौतम ने की | संचालन डॉ.एस.बी.एन तिवारी ने किया तथा धन्यवाद ज्ञापन श्री प्रेमपाल द्वारा किया गया |
6. निष्कर्ष रहा कि ज्ञान की परम्पराए बाधित होती हैं, समाप्त नहीं होती, चेतना के स्तर पर लेनदेन नहीं चलता | 1857 में अवध की बेगम का घोषणा पत्र जनता का घोषणा पत्र था | भक्तिकाल और पुनर्जागरण विदेशी सत्ताओं से टकराए हैं | सत्ता से टकराए बिना जागृति संभव नहीं |
7. चौथे सत्र (वर्चस्व, बनाम अस्मिता मूलक साहित्य) की अध्यक्षता प्रोफेसर वी.एन.भालेराव ने की | इस सत्र का संचालन डॉ. धीरेन्द्र बहादुर सिंह ने किया | इस सत्र का निष्कर्ष रहा, व्यवस्था के लिए सत्ता आवश्यक है | जीवनमूल्यों की सुरक्षा के लिए सत्ता से टकराहट आवश्यक है | बिना उससे

टकराए कोई आन्दोलन खड़ा नहीं हो सकता | धन्यवाद ज्ञापन डॉ. रश्मि त्यागी ने किया | हिन्दी विभाग के सभी अध्यापक बंधुओं ने अपनी भूमिकाओं में प्रशंसनीय कार्य किया | यह संगोष्ठी साहित्य और समाज के लिए उपयोगी निष्कर्षों के साथ संपन्न हुई |

8. हिन्दी साहित्य परिषद् ने महाविद्यालय के स्तर की दो प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया | जिनकी सबसे बड़ी सफलता यह रही की बड़ी संख्या में छात्रों ने बढ़ चढ़कर भाग लिया | परिषद् के अध्यक्ष आकाश सहित सभी पदाधिकारियों ने परिषद् के हर कार्य में पूरा सहयोग दिया | श्री प्रेमपाल के छात्र – संगठन, कौशल को बढ़ाई देनी होगी | प्रतियोगिताओं में प्रथम, द्वितीय, तृतीय एवं सातवना चार पुरस्कार छात्रों की प्रतिभा के परिचायक बने | हिन्दी साहित्य परिषद् का समारंभ सुखद भविष्य का सूचक है |

RANGMANCH (Convener: Dr. Pamela Anwer)

In a first, the Theatre Group of our college 'Rangmanch' held an inter-college street play competition, *Street-Struck* which turned out to be a huge success. A total of thirteen college teams participated with great enthusiasm making it a talking point among both the participants and the hosts. We hope to continue with this tradition on an annual basis.

The new college name inspired the members to rename the annual college festival. Named *Elixir 2016*, it was held in the college premises with various colleges participating with great vigour, energy and verve to make it a resounding success which will resonate in the years to come. Two days of fun and games saw such events as group dancing, debating, team activities, photography competition, sketching competition and a host of other exciting activities for competitors organized by the Arts and Culture society.

The Rangmanch team also wowed the audiences with its performances held at Gandhi Bhawan, Maharaja Soorajmal College and Bhim Rao Ambedkar College.

NIBS & BRUSHES: The Fine Arts & Creative Writing Society

The newest entrant on the list, NIBS & BRUSHES: The Fine Arts & Creative Writing Society was founded in the month of August by Ashwani Kumar Tiwari, B.A.(H) Business Economics 1st Year in association with the BBE society of our college.

In a first of its kind, the cost of auditioning was crowd funded and three successive auditions were held to shortlist candidates for the society.

It has two wings working in collaboration- a Fine Arts wing consisting of sketch artists and painters and a Creative Writing wing formed by young budding poets and storytellers of Aryabhatta College.

Once the society was founded, a future course of action was devised which included a couple of creative submissions from the members every month so as to create a society portfolio. Artists and writers were asked to submit a creative writing piece and artwork respectively based on a particular theme decided by the President of the society.

Frequent meetings were held to keep the members updated on various happenings and also to have a fun time reading self-written poetry and exhibiting the artworks.

Working in association with the Rangmanch team, the “NIBS & BRUSHES” society undertook the task of beautifying and decking up the college. We got our opportunity to organize our desired competitive events under “ELIXIR 16” the Annual Art & Cultural Fest of Aryabhata College.

In addition to that, the team organized Slam Poetry and Sketching competition. Made up of a bunch of dedicated people keen on working for the college, its members have been actively participating in various fests across colleges in the DU circuit.

Vinay (Pol. Sci., 2nd Year) & Mehul (Eco. Hons., 3rd Year) deserve a special mention for they have won laurels in sketching competition at Dyal Singh College and Slam Poetry /Story writing competitions at Gargi College and Sri Venkateswara College.

GENDER SENSITIZATION COMMITTEE (Convener: Dr. B. Mangalam)

Under the able guidance of its Convener, Dr B. Mangalam, the Gender Sensitization Committee of our college organized a one day awareness programme on ‘Pre-marital Love Affairs and Early Divorce’. It was conducted by the NGO, South-West Delhi Women’s Association. Students from across disciplines participated in large number to make it a lively discussion.

DEBATE SOCIETY (Convener: Dr. Geeta Budhiraja)

With an aim to foster a spirit of creative learning and critical enquiry, the Debating Society, under the mentorship of Dr Geeta Budhiraja and its members conducted a series of stimulating debates on thought provoking topics throughout the session. The students displayed exemplary enthusiasm and participation by engaging in critical reflections on a variety of contemporary issues, concerns and challenges.

ADVENTURE SOCIETY (Mr. Harish Dhawan)

The Adventure Society is the longest running high altitude trekking group in Delhi. It has conducted treks to every corner of Utrkhand over the past 25 years. In order to celebrate this achievement, silver anniversary of Himalayan Trekking with a dayara meadow circuit trek with 105 participants was organized. The support from the Economics and Business

Economics societies made such a large trek possible. The trekkers worked for 4 days to cover a distance of over 30 kilometers between the altitude of 7000 and 12000 feet.

Deepak {BA (H) Economics IIIrd Year} and Piyush Pawar {BA (H) Economics IIIrd Year} were pronounced the best trekkers.

FEE CONCESSION AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (Dr. Kamayani Kumar)

The Fee Concession and Scholarship Committee undertook the task of extending financial support to students from economically weaker sections. A large number of students had applied for fee concession. On the basis of an interview the students were ranked on the basis of need cum merit. The Committee ensured that the most deserving and sincere students earn the maximum benefit feasible.

The Committee took a new stride by introducing certain new scholarships: Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Scholarship, Vivekananda Medhavi Chattravritti Yojna and Library Mitra.

Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Scholarship has been tailored to provide an extended financial support to needy students whereas Vivekananda Medhavi Chhatravritti Yojna has been initiated as an encouragement to students whose performance has been academically meritorious. It has been recommended that students from second and third year of all disciplines and streams be selected on the basis of result and felicitated. This would also serve as an impetus to other students.

Realizing that sports form an integral part of holistic development of a student's caliber, it has been proposed that deserving students should be covered under the Major Dhyanchand Khel Chattravritti. Students who have earned laurels at National, State or University level in any sport will be awarded a scholarship under this head.

The Committee also constituted another scholarship titled Library Mitra. The same will be awarded to the student who has displayed consistent efforts towards optimum utilization of library resources.

The committee is also going to ensure that students are informed about State sponsored Scholarships so that they can seek assistance from other sources if possible. This would ensure a broader coverage in terms of financial aid for students of Aryabhata College. It has also recommended a corpus which would be used towards facilitation of a greater degree of financial aid to students in need of fee concession or scholarship. The fund for this corpus will be sought from different resources, for instance, alumni or sponsorships.

The Committee worked in tandem and received relevant insights from the Principal, Dr.Manoj Sinha. The committee could not have functioned in a productive manner for the benefit of students without the sustained efforts put in by all its members.

GARDEN AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (Convener: Dr. Monica Aggarwal)

Aryabhata College being a budding college poses a lot of challenges for the garden committee to create fresh, green and blooming surroundings. Dr. Monica Aggarwal, the Convener, expressed her great pride for the dedicated team which very sportingly took up the onus of developing a green and environment friendly campus. During spring, the College was seen blooming with seasonal flowers such as chrysanthemums, gladiolas, marigolds, cineraria, salvia etc. In addition to it, the College has a dedicated space for the much sought after rose garden that is rich with a variety of roses in it. The members have been actively engaged in developing a landscape garden at the college entrance that will give the College a character of its own in the years to come. Extending its eco-friendly initiatives, the Committee joined hands with *Jaagruti* – a waste paper recycling initiative wherein the NGO collects the waste paper from our College to recycle them into beautiful note pads and paper reams for the College.

ENTREPRENEUR SOCIETY (Convener: Dr. Monica Aggarwal)

ENSO- The Entrepreneur Society was set up with a purpose of promoting and encouraging young entrepreneurs of Aryabhata College. The Society attempts to foster innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship skills amongst students through events like interactive sessions, competitions and conferences. During the year 2015-2016, different events, seminars and workshop were organized such as Do you love hangout? The seminar was organized to provide a platform for the students to explore and develop their talent in the world of entrepreneurship. The seminar was conducted by Mr. Kamal Seth, founder and Chief Happiness Officer of Human Circle, Co-founder of IndiaPreneurship. Undoubtedly on 30th October, 2015. An Inter-college session was conducted by Mr. Vikram Gahlot, the GD-PI mentor of MBAGuru. The purpose of the session was to empower students with entrepreneurship skills, marketing skills and confidence building, etc.

Google Masterclass (Monday, 25 January, 2016): The aim of seminar was to make the students aware about the opportunities and to learn from the Google-story of two amazing entrepreneurs who came together to create one of the best and largest companies in the world.

Younique: An Idea Generation, A Paper Presentation Competition (Tuesday, 9 February, 2016): The competition was an Inter-College even, which invites students to be the apparent spokesperson of a crisis ridden organization and to promote and develop the crisis management etiquette for next generation so as to be prepared for managing the worst.

A Visit to National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) (Tuesday, 1st March, 2016): The visit included a session on an overview of the National Stock Exchange, Capital Markets and NSE's Certification in Financial Markets (NCFM). It was conducted by Ms. Nivya Nair, Assistant Manager-SBU-EDU.

“Innovacia”-The B-Plan Competition (Wednesday, 30 March, 2016): The competition was an Inter-College B-Plan Competition that aims to encourage innovative minds to come and share their vision and understanding of emerging business venture and structures.

DR. B R AMBEDKAR STUDY CIRCLE (Convener: Dr. Devender Singh)

During session 2015-16, Dr. B R Ambedkar Study Circle was set up in the college which was approved by the Staff Council. Dr. Devender Singh was made its convener along with four other members. Doing an excellent job at it, the Circle conducted a national seminar on Dr. Ambedkar in which the Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India Sh. Vijay Sampla was the Chief Guest, and Prof. Kuldeep Chand Agnihotri, the Vice Chancellor of Central University of Himachal Pradesh and Prof. Vivek Kumar from JNU were the chief speakers. As part of its ambitious proposal to broaden the scope of its activities, the Centre is currently engaged in a documentary film making project on Dr. B R Ambedkar.

GANDHI STUDY CIRCLE

Under the able supervision of Dr. Krishna Murari, The Gandhi Study Circle organized a talk by Prof. Dinesh Singh, former Vice-Chancellor, Delhi University who delivered an evocative talk on Gandhi and Women on the occasion of Women’s Day. It also conducted various activities throughout the year.

PICWIC PHOTOGRAPHY AND FILM SOCIETY (Convener: Dr. Devender Singh)

Aiming to expand and explore the creative and visual horizons through the lens, members of PICWIC, the Film and Photography Society of Aryabhata College took part in various activities that include participation in a Creative Career Conclave at Hansraj College, a workshop on film and documentary making organized by the *Story People* in Mumbai in November 2015. The Society also hosted a photo exhibition-competition (TASVEER’16) during the College fest (Elixir’16) and organized intercollege creative writing competition. The Club has also conducted interviews on Dr. B R Ambedkar with 10 prominent scholars and social scientists across the country.

NSS UNIT, ARYABHATTA COLLEGE

Under the guidance and leadership of our Programme officer Dr. Devender Singh, the NSS unit has been involved in providing its services during the following activities:

1. NSS Day was celebrated in Aryabhata College with spirit and enthusiasm. Four activities were undertaken on this day i.e. cleanliness drive, street play on cleanliness, dengue awareness rally and tree plantation drive.

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2. NSS Unit conducted three tree drives. It has planted 25 trees sponsored by the Forest Department, Govt. of India.
 3. As per the instruction of the university and the Govt. of India, NSS unit organized two cleanliness drives in the college with the participation of 50 volunteers each time.

YOGA DAY

As per the instructions of the University of Delhi and Govt. of India, the college celebrated Yoga Day on 21st June 2015 in the College campus. Despite the summer break about 60 teachers and many students participated in the yoga session. Dr. Mukesh Kohli, the College sports teacher and NSS programme Officer, Dr. Devender Singh, led the group for performing Yogasan.

STUDENT'S UNION

The following Students' Union was elected in September 2015 as per the schedule announced by University of Delhi.

President : Dharampal, B.Sc (H) Mathematics,

Vice-President : Abhishek Kumar, BA (H) History

Secretary : Kapil, B.Com

Joint Secretary : Pratyasksh Nainwal, BA (H) English

Central Councilors : Ankit Kumar, BA (Prog.)

Sunil Badal, BA (Prog.)

SPORTS

About 81 students (74 Men and 7 women) represented the college in 11 Discipline in events, activities and championship organized by Delhi University, Sports Council, State Sports Association and College associations of Indian Universities and BCCI during the year 2015-16. Out of these 15 students excelled at the Inter college level, 12 at the University level, 10 at the state level and 8 at the All India Level competitions.

TAEKWONDO

This year the College Men's team once again won the Inter College Championship organized by DUSC. In a fortunate turn of events this became the fourth victory in a row. The glory was earned by Sh. Ankit Dahiya, (B.A (H) 1st year, Roll no.185) and Bharat Singh (B.com (H) 1st year, Roll no. 78) for winning gold in under 63 and over 87 kg weight categories.

The credit also goes to Sh. Kailash Nath (B.A (H) 1st year, Roll no.9) for winning Silver Medal in under 54 kg weight categories. Last year's medalist at the All India Level- Kuber Pandey (B.A (H) 1st year, Roll no. 49) and Himanshu Dalal (B.A(H) 2nd year, Roll No 250)- managed to win the Bronze Medal in under 58 over 87 kg weight categories. To his credit, Himanshu participated in the tournament despite suffering from an injury.

Rahul Shokeen, (B.A (H) 2nd year, Roll No 238) though missing from this list of winners, is a very promising player. His contribution to the team is incredible. In the women's section we could not retain the championship position that we earned last year because two players migrated from our college to Miranda House for better prospects. However, Sumedha Rathi (B.A, 2nd Year, Roll no.183) won gold in under 46 Kg weight category and young Husna Siddiqui (B.A(H) English, Roll No. 48) clinched the Bronze in under 49 kg weight category.

Later, Ankit Dahiya, Bharat Singh Shekhawat and Sumedha Rathi represented University of Delhi in All India Inter University championship held at Amritsar in the Month of March.

Our Taekwondo team and Mr. Ajay, the coach, deserve our special applaud for their effort and good job done by them.

GYMNASTICS

The University did not organize Inter College Championship and instead organized open trials both for men and women for Gymnastics this year.

Akash (B.A. (H), 1st year Roll no 12) and Beenu Sharma (Pol science(H), III year, Roll No.151) represented University of Delhi in All India Inter University Gymnastics Championship held at Patiala in the month of January 2016.

In the Weight Lifting, Power Lifting and Body building event, Javed (B.A (Prog.) 2nd year, Roll No.168) won gold medal in 93 Weight category whereas Yogesh Kumar (B.A (H) 1st year, Roll No.130) won Bronze Medal in 66 kg weight category in the Inter College Championship organized by DUSC.

ATHLETICS

Bringing an end to many long years' jinx, Ankush Kumar (B.A(H), 2nd year, Roll No.116) brought laurels for the college by securing second spot in 10000 meters run at the Inter college athletic meet.

Besides athletics six more teams did participate in Boxing, Soccer, Chess (Men & Women) Badminton and Table Tennis Men & Women championships organized by DUSC. The

achievements of these teams were satisfactory. Given their potential, we hope they will shine and bring name and fame to the College in the coming years.

BASKET BALL

For last two years efforts are on to build this team. We have hardly been able to make a mark at the Inter College level but the team won top honours in Basketball Tournament organized by JRF Institute of Technology (Noida) and KIET (Ghaziabad). In a few more years, the Basketball Team will also stabilize. The team participated in 3 on 3 tournaments organized by Addidas, DDU College. It won the top honours. It was led by Sohail Ghelot. Surjit (B.Com (H), 1st year, Roll No 77) and Amandeep (History (H) 3rd year, Roll No 61 represented Arunachal Pardesh whereas Tejas (B. Com(H) 1st year, Roll no. 75) represented Mizoram in national Basketball Championship organized by B.F.I.

CRICKET

The team did achieve a few landmarks but the goal is yet to be achieved. Karan Dagar (B.A(H), 2nd Year, Roll No 196), Yogesh (B.A(H), 2nd 224) Dinesh Mor (B.A(H) 1st Roll No 10) Akshay Solank B.Com(H), 2nd year, Roll no. 59) and Rajesh Sharma (B.A(H), 2nd Year Roll No. 225) were selected to represent the University of Delhi in the North Zone Inter University Championship held at Aligarh Muslim University and were placed Runner up. In this championship top 52 universities of Northern India participated. On the basis of their performance, 16 players were selected to represent North Zone in Vizzy Trophy organized by BCCI in New Delhi this year.

Six players were selected from University of Delhi and out of these 4 were from our college namely Rajesh Kumar, Karan Dagar, Yogesh and Manish Tehlan.

I am delighted to announce that 3 players from our college played in the playing 11 and contributed successfully to the team's efforts in winning this prestigious Vizzy Trophy for the first time at Jamia Millia Islamia University's ground.

Rajesh Sharma, Shivank Vashishtha (B.A(H) 2nd year, Roll No. 226) and Ravi Balhara (B.A(H) 1st Year Roll No 184) represented Delhi and Haryana respectively in Under 23 Cricket Championship organized by BCCI in the current year.

However, this year too, the college team could not break the jinx at the Inter College Cricket Championship organized by DUSC. However, the team won Adidas cup Cricket T-20 tournament by prevailing over Jamia Millia University in January 2016. The trophy is housed at the Principal's office.

On an invitation from the KIIT University to send a University's team for Kalinga Premier League to be played in Bhubaneswar (Odisha), the College sent a team of 9 players from our College as part of the 15 member team from the University of Delhi. Karan Dagar, Yogesh,

Manish Tehlan, Akshay Solan, Rajesh Sharma, Shivank Vashishth, Aakash Antil (B.A(H) 1st Year Roll No 46), Sachin Ruhel (B.A(H) 2nd Year, Roll no. 229) and Sanjeet Tushir (B.A(H) 2nd Year, Roll no. 1) from Aryabhata along with 6 more- Himmat Singh, Pragam Sharma and Gaurav from Hindu College, Ayush Kharab (KMC), Lalit Yadav (SSN) and Rahul Chaudhary (SVC) formed the team.

The team won the KIIT trophy for the year 2015-16. This tournament had not only the participation of teams from Indian Universities but had also teams from Bangladesh and Nepal. The trophy again is housed at the Principal's office. Kudos to our cricketers and their coaches- Sh. Anshul Tanwar and Sh. Arjun Sharma- for their untiring crusade. Indeed, a job very well done!

NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC)

RLA has NCC platoon having 54 cadets and is functioning under the leadership of NCC officer Sh. Sanjay Kumar.

Our college also has a share of 14 cadets in this unit. We send our students to other NCC units under open vacancies in Army, Naval and Air force wings. This year 13 girls from our college opted for these vacancies and all were successful. Our cadets have done a good job at the college (Unit) and University staff level as well as at All India Level.

Honours are being bestowed on JUO Ajit (B.A(H)Hist. 3rd year Roll No. 122) and cadet Dharampal (B.A(H) Maths Roll No.126) for attaining 1st position in NIAP Dimapur Nagaland, Cadet Pawan (B.A (H) History. Roll No.22) and cadet Parajeet for participating in Thal Sanik Camp, Cadet Henu Kumar (BA (Prog.) 2nd year Roll No 87) and cadet Pankaj (B.A(H) Hindi 2nd year Roll No. 7) for attending P.M Rally in 2016. At the college level, regular practice sessions were organized in Cricket, Taekwondo, Basketball, Athletics, Chess, Table Tennis Power lifting and Soccer.

In coming years we intend to introduce and promote more games like fencing, archery, volley ball and boxing.

Sh. Karan Dagar (B.A (H) 2nd year Roll No. 196) has been adjudged the Sportsman of the Year 2015-16.

The College acknowledges the efforts of Sh. Anshul Tanwar, Sh. Arjun Sharma, Sh. Ajay Yadav and Sh. Mukesh Bishnoi These achievements could have not been possible without their support. The efforts of Sh. Ram Niwas, Sports Attendant are worth lauding in providing the sports teams to function smoothly.

For any programme to succeed the nucleus is the students and as always, We are proud of our students for their unqualified support without which running all these activities could have not been possible.

Teaching Staff Appointed During the Year 2015-2016

Among many achievements of the College, the initiation of recruitment drive to regularize the teaching positions and thereby add to the strength and stability of the Departments has been a happy one because it forms the core of any educational institution as their shaping vision is required to nurture the young minds who come to it as students and disciples.

23 Permanent appointments to the posts of Assistant Professor have been made in the six departments namely, English, Political Science, Hindi, Computer Science, History and Mathematics. On behalf of the College, I extend warm welcome to all of them. I am sure the College will immensely benefit from the huge influx of talent that will add to the existing resourcefulness of the College. The new appointees are as follows:

ENGLISH

Dr. Vibhuti Gaur
Dr. Kamayani Kumar
Mr. Binoy Bhushan Agarwal
Ms. Roshni

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Shri Devki Nandan
Dr. Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak
Dr. Rashmi Rai
Shri Anand Saurabh

HINDI

Dr. Dharendra Bahadur Singh
Dr. Birendra Kumar
Dr. Promila
Dr. Neetu Jai Singhani

HISTORY

Dr. Krishna Murari
Dr. Pawan Kumar
Dr. Reena Ragi
Ms. Sangeeta Kumari

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Mrs. Priti Jagwani
Ms. Sonal Linda

MATHEMATICS

Dr. Yogender Singh
Dr. Naveen Kumar Jain
Shri Gufran Malik
Ms. Aakanksha Singh
Shri Chandrashekhar Nishad

Staff Retired During the Year:

1. Shri B.B. Singh, Section Officer (Accounts) : 30.04.2015
2. Shri B.L. Sankhla, Associate Prof. in Commerce : 31.07.2015
3. Shri Sher Singh, Daftari : 31.08.2015
4. Shri Ramesh Chander, Safai Karamchari : 31.10.2015

The college fraternity wishes them a happy & prosperous retired life.

Obituary

The College mourns the demise of Shri Sher Singh, Daftari (Retd.), Shri Lalji Prasad, Chowkidaar (Retd.) and Shri R.N. Shrivastava, Section Office (Admn.) (Retd.). The College fraternity prays to the Almighty to give strength to the bereaved families to bear this irreparable loss.

Aryabhata College Alumni Society

With the renaming of Ram Lal Anand College (Evening) into Aryabhata College, a new Alumni Association has been formed called Aryabhata Alumni Association. Efforts are on to collect data on eminent Aryabhattians who studied in this College and the same will be available by the next academic session 2016-17.

Before signing off, I would like to thank my colleagues, the pillars of strength, on whose shoulders rest the responsibility and the credit for bringing the College this far. The gamut of work done during the year could certainly not have been possible without creative inputs from the Staff Council and its various Committees. The unwavering support and confidence from the Staff Association and non-teaching staff members has also been very crucial in the smooth functioning of the College. I would like to put on record the work rendered diligently by the Administration, the Library and the Accounts Section. Their efficient assistance and gracious cooperation has been integral to the development of the College. I also wish to

convey my sincere thanks to Shri. G.C. Sharma, Bursar whose advice on all financial matters has been of crucial importance.

Finally, I wish to thank each one of you for your efforts and for making the session 2015-16 an eventful and a fulfilling one. We hope to continue working with the same spirit of dedication and teamwork that shall help our students soar greater heights of excellence as well as create a niche for Aryabhata College in the higher education sector.

(Dr. Manoj Sinha)
Principal