

Aryabhatta College

Department of Economics

(Annual Report for the Academic session 2019 to 2020)

1) Name of Teacher in Charge: Dr. Gursharan Rastogi

2) Brief details of Faculty members

Name	Qualification	Designation	Specialization	No. of Years of Teaching Experience	Permanent/ Temporary/ Ad hoc
Mr. Harish Dhawan	M. A.	Associate Professor	Mathematical Economics, Statistics, Political Economy	30 years	Permanent
Dr. Kartikeya Kohli	Ph. D	Associate Professor	Economic History of India, Eco History of Indian Ocean, Indian Economy	28 years	Permanent
Dr. Surajit Deb	Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Micro Economics, Public Finance	29 years	Permanent
Dr. Suvojit Lahiri	Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Macro Economics, Monetary Economics	23 years	Permanent
Dr. Gursharan Rastogi	Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Development Economics	22 years	Permanent
Ms. Deepika Goel	Ph. D.	Associate Professor	Econometrics, Statistics, Macro Eco, Monetary Eco	21 years	Permanent
Ms. Astha Ahuja	Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	International Economics	19 years	Permanent
Mr. N M Singh	M. Phil.	Assistant Professor	Micro Economics, Macro Economics	15 years	Permanent

3) Student Strength

First Year	Second Year	Third Year
69	46	75

4) Details of publication work by the faculty members

S. No.	Title of Paper/Book/ Book Chapters	Authors	Journal	Volume no. year, Page No.	Publisher/ISSN No. / Int. Database	Refereed
1	Inequality in Asset Ownership across Social Class in Rural India	Surajit Deb	Social Change	49 2019 507-511	0049-0857 and 0976-3538	Yes
2	Rural Wealth and Prosperity across Social Classes in India	Surajit Deb	Social Change	49 2019 673-677	0049-0857 and 0976-3538	Yes
3	Women and Work in India: State-Level Analysis	Surajit Deb	Social Change	50 2020 160-168	0049-0857 and 0976-3538	Yes
4	Income and Poverty in India: Social Inequality across States	Surajit Deb	Social Change	50 2020 272-277	0049-0857 and 0976-3538	Yes
5.	<i>Missionaries, Land Acquisition and Trade in Seventeenth Century South-East Africa, in P Malekandathil et. al (ed) India, The Portuguese and Maritime Interactions: Science Economy and Urbanity, Vol 1, Primus Books, Delhi</i>	Kartikeya Kohli	P Malekandathil et. al	2019	ISBN: 97893529090659 8	

5) 2019-20 SEMINARS:

Sr. No.	Author	Title of Paper	Details (Organized by)	Nature of Program	Date of presentation	Level (National/ International)
1	Surajit Deb	Gender Differences in Well Being: An Evaluation of CIS Countries	IARIW-Higher School of Economics	Special Conference	18 September 2019	International (Abroad) Moscow, Russia
2	Surajit Deb	Can the Gap between Infant and Child Mortality be explained by Malnutrition Prevalence in India	Centre for Global Trade Analysis (Perdue University).	23rd ^h GTAP Annual Conference.	17 June 2020	Virtual Conference
3	Dr. Suvojit Lahiri Chakravarty	Financial markets and monetary policy- The case of India	Shyama Prasad Mookerjee College, Delhi University	Seminar	27-28th February, 2020	National
4	Dr. Suvojit Lahiri Chakravarty	Monetary Policy transmission in Financial markets - The case of India	Shri Guru Gobind college of commerce, Delhi University	Conference	6-7th march, 2020	International

6) Achievement of Students including their participation in various societies

a) Expeditions:

- In a trek to Gidara organized by the adventure society 19 of our students participated out of a total of 23 students who trekked 6 days from Barsu village to the hot springs at Gangnani crossing over the Gidara bugyal (high altitude meadow).
- In an expedition to Nagtibba near Mussourie organized by the adventure society 44 out of a total of 57 total students were our students. This was a winter snow trek to Nagtibba, followed by a day-long adventure activities camp.
- Two teachers, Shri. Harish Dhawan of the Economics Department, and Ms. Gayatri Yadav, escorted both the above expeditions.

b) Achievements:

In this academic year, students from all the three years have secured one of the top three positions in various inter college competitions. Some of our achievements are as follows:

- Rishabh Singh, Varun Mehta and Vedant Gupta from first year secured the first position in the “Evision”, National Research Paper inter-college competition organised by the Finance and investment Cell of Sri Ram College of Commerce.
- Sufiya Salim, Naina Singh, Sankalp Rawal and Anisha Kalita from first year secured second position in an event organised by ‘Vyapaar’ the entrepreneurship cell of Delhi College of Arts and Commerce.
- Sufiya Salim, Naina Singh and Anisha Kalita from first year secured the third position in ‘Fennexia’, organised by Janki Devi Memorial College.
- Sehej from first year participated in ‘Merger Mayhem’ organised by the College of Vocational Studies.
- Naina Singh, Anisha Kalita and Sankalp Rawal first year secured second position in ‘Bid Wars’ organised by Motilal Nehru College.
- Nitya Bagga, third year student published two articles namely “IPOs-Gaining Charm,Losing Relevance” and “Mass Customization: Reshaping Business Strategy” in the online edition of Times of India.

c) Internships:

Many students worked with various organizations and companies as interns in the academic year. Internships help to gain the requisite skills and knowledge and establish important connections in the field and help students to continue to expand beyond the conventional career opportunities.

Students from the second and third year who took up internship at various organizations are:

<i>NAME</i>	<i>INSTITUTION</i>	<i>DURATION</i>
ECO (H)-IIND YEAR		
Aishwarya Sabharwal	IDBI Federal Life Insurance	4 weeks
Ayushman Rai	IGNCA	4 weeks

Bhavya Aneja	Resumod, Pharmeasy, Medlife	8 weeks
Dhruv Gujjar	Phaze Experience	7 weeks
Himanshi Bakshi	Slurp Farm	5 weeks
Lakshay Kumar	Bank of Baroda	8 weeks
Raj Midha	India Shelter Finance Corporation Ltd.	4 weeks
Sarthak Malhotra	BRIEF India Pvt. Ltd.	12 weeks
Somansh Arora	Bank of Baroda	4 weeks
Trived Kullapa	PWC	6 weeks

ECO (H)-IIIRD YEAR		
Anmol Gaba	Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Central Water Commission	4 weeks
Charvi Jindal	Niti Ayog	8 weeks
Divya Bhardwaj	Dugain Advisors	8 weeks
Drishti Malhotra	Reliable Enterprise Publishing House	12 weeks
Garvit Malhan	Urbanclap technologies limited- Business development	8 weeks
Harshita Gupta	Genpact	8 weeks

Jai Sharma	HDFC	6 weeks
Medha Mathur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Community- The Youth Collective on a project funded by UNDP ● Ministry of Health, GNCTD + AAP Media Cell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 16 weeks ● 12 weeks
Muskan Sehgal	Quill Foundation	20 weeks
Nihar Ranjan Behera	Steel city securities limited, Visakhapatnam	4 weeks
Sarah Khan	Santosh Finlease Private Limited	4 weeks

7) Co-curricular Programmes conducted by the Department

- An Orientation Programme was held on Saturday, 20th July, 2019, at 11.00 am in Room No 01, where first year students were welcomed and informed about academic and co-curricular matters.
- The Economics department of Aryabhata college held a program on 20th and 21st February 2020 on the theme 'Sustainable Development.'. This consisted of talks by several eminent speakers, and various other academic and co-curricular activities.
- The second edition of our annual magazine 'Viewpoint' was also released in the programme. 'Viewpoint,' was started last year under the guidance of Dr Deepika Goel. This year edition is an improvement with several more articles on economics, mainly contributed by students of Economics Honours of all three years. The advisors were Dr Deepika Goel and Mr Harish Dhawan.
- On 20th February, Professor Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay from ISI Delhi, delivered an illuminating lecture on research methodology on the topic of 'Causation.' Our magazine 'Viewpoint' was also released. This was followed by a comprehensive and well thought out lecture on the 'Current macroeconomic scenario,' by Dr Ashok Sarin, formerly Principal and Associate Professor of economics at our college.

- Another talk scheduled for this day, was of Professor Pami Dua from Delhi school of Economics. This was postponed to March 4, due to inability of the speaker to make it. Professor Dua spoke on Monetary Policy, with an acumen only deep knowledge of the subject entails.

8) Library Budget sanctioned for the Department:

Rs. 90,000

9) SWOC (Strength ,Weakness , Opportunities, Challenges) Analysis of the Department

1. Strength

- Most faculty members have a doctorate from reputed institutions.
- The faculty of the department does consistent research and publication work.
- The department members participate in seminars and workshops, thus continuously improving their quality.
- There is greater participation by the faculty members in international conferences.
- The department members as well as the students participate in co-academic pursuits like the Economics magazine, as well as other co-curricular activities.

2. Weakness

- Greater input needs to be put in add-on courses
- The teachers need to increase the involvement of the students in events such as seminars and the economics programme (festival).
- There is scope for organizing talks through Zoom by economists from other countries
- Out campus activities by students need to be increased.
- There is need for a better record of activities to be maintained by the department.

3. Challenges

- To enlarge our alumni base.
- To equip ourselves with devices and infrastructure needed for better teaching, event organization, and recording.

10) Future Plans of the Department

- To increase student involvement in community development programmes.
- To have a second section of Economics Honours.
- To provide more choices to students for Discipline Specific Papers (DSE)
- To explore more methods for teaching on online platforms in order to engage the students more effectively during the pandemic.