

Aryabhata College

Department of Political Science

Annual Report for the Academic session 2018 to 2019

- 1) **Name of Teacher in Charge:** Devki Nandan
- 2) **Brief details of Faculty members**

Professor Manoj Sinha

Manoj Sinha has a PhD from University of Delhi. His areas of specialization are Public Administration, Indian Political Thought and Gandhian Thought. He is also the Principal of the college since November 2014 till date. He has been the UGC observer for State Eligibility Test (SET) for many years and served as UGC/VCs nominee-member for different committees. He has published his research articles extensively in many Refereed/ peer reviewed journals and authored and co-authored many books.

Dr. Rajendra Dayal, (Associate Professor)

Rajendra Dayal is a senior faculty member and has a PhD from University of Delhi. He has written two books, Constitutional Democracy in India: Institutions at Work, and Introduction to Political Process in India (ed), published papers, contributed to IGNOU course material, and supervised research. His areas of interest are Political Theory, Indian Government and Politics, and Public Policy.

Dr. Tripurari Sharan (Associate Professor)

Tripurari Sharan has been teaching in this college since 1992. He has done M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D. from the University of Delhi. His areas of specialization are the United Nations Organization and Politics of Globalization.

Dr. Satish K Jha (Associate Professor)

Satish k jha has done M A and M Phil from Delhi University and PhD from Centre for Political Studies, JNU. His areas of specialization are Indian Politics and Comparative Constitutionalism, Comparative Political Theory, Modern Indian Intellectual Traditions and India's Foreign Policy. His papers and articles have been published in Journals like EPW, Mainstream, Gandhi Marg, etc. and in many edited books.

Dr. Rajiv Kumar Ranjan (Assistant Professor)

Rajeev Ranjan has done his Ph. D. from Jawaharlal Nehru University. His areas of interest are international organization, international health, international politics and political philosophy.

Dr. Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak (Assistant Professor)

Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak has been teaching in Aryabhata College since 2015 and also working as a Research Fellow at Jammu Kashmir Study Centre, New Delhi. He has completed his M. Phil/ PhD from JNU and graduation and post-graduation from university of Allahabad. His research area is Jammu and Kashmir.

Mr. Devki Nandan (Assistant Professor)

Devki Nandan has done his M.A. and M. Phil. from School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. He has been teaching at Aryabhata College since August 2015. He specializes in International Relations, Foreign Policy, and Globalization. He has also published articles in different journals.

Dr. Rashmi Rai (Assistant Professor)

Rashmi Rai has done her Ph.D. from Lucknow University. Her area of specialization is state politics with special reference to politics in Uttar Pradesh. She has interest in political processes in India, Indian government and politics and political theory. She has received JRF of UGC. She is recipient of gold medal in post-graduation for securing highest marks in Lucknow University.

Mr. Anand Saurabh (Assistant Professor)

Anand Saurabh has been teaching in Aryabhata College since 2015. He is also an Affiliated Fellow with Developing Countries Research Centre (*dcrc*), DU. Before joining Aryabhata College, he taught in the School of Liberal Studies and Undergraduate Studies at Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD) for around six years. Anand holds a Bachelors and a Masters degree in Political Science from Hindu College, DU. His M.Phil. Dissertation looked at the appraisal of deliberative democracy and its feasibility in multicultural and multilingual societies (Department of Political Science, DU). His research interests are in development studies, public health, Indian politics and research methodology. He has published articles in academic journals and edited books.

Dr. Tungnath Maur (Assistant Professor Ad-hoc)

Tungnath Maur has done M A and Ph.D. from Department of Political Science, BHU, Varanasi. His areas of specialization are International Relations and Indian Political Thought. He has published articles in peer reviewed Journals.

3. Student Strength

First Year	Second Year	Third Year
58	45	44

4. Details of publication work by the faculty members

Saurabh, Anand (2018), *Changing Dimensions of Development in India*, Pearson, New Delhi, ISBN: 978-93-528-6933-6

Rai, Rashmi (2018), अपवित्रीकरण कानून के दौर में सेक्युलरीज्म पर कुछ विचार मानव - एथनोग्राफिक एण्ड फोक कल्चर सोसाइटी लखनऊ 2018 ISSN No. 2347-6591

Sinha, Manoj (2019) Social Justice: Policy Perspective in *Madhya Pradesh Journal of Social Sciences*, Vol-24, No.1, June, ISSN: 0973-855X.

Sinha, Manoj (2019) Higher Education in India: Need for Innovative and Transformative Approach in *International Journal of Advance and Innovative Research*, Vol-6, Issue 2 (XXI), April-June, ISSN: 2394-7780.

Sinha, Manoj (2019) Emerging Modes of Financing Higher Education in India (with special reference to Education Loan and HEFA) in *International Journal of 360 Management Review*, Vol-07, Issue 01, April, ISSN: 2320-7132.

5. Participation of faculty members in seminars/workshops ,etc

Name of teacher	Title of paper	Title of seminar	Organizer	Year	Chair/ Participant/ Lecture/
Dr. Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak	“Electoral System in India”	Delivered a lecture at In-Service Training Course for TGT (SST)	Kendriya Vidyalaya, Sainik Vihar, New Delhi	27 December 2018	Lecture

Dr. Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak	“Constitutional Design”	at In-Service Training Course for TGT (SST)	Kendriya Vidyalaya, Sainik Vihar, New Delhi	25 May 2018	Lecture
Dr. Shiv Poojan Prasad Pathak	Globalization, Violence and Quest for Peace	The Scientists & Technologists for Non-violent New World Order and the Institute of Social Sciences	the Seminar Hall of the Institute of Social Sciences	9 March 2018	Invited as resource person

Name of teacher who attended Faculty Development Programme /Orientation	Title of the program	Duration (from – to) (DD-MM-YYYY)
Anand Saurabh	One week FDP on Corporate Social Responsibility & Sustainable Development	16-11-2018 to 22-11-2018
Dr. Rashmi Rai	Orientation Programme	from 3-07-2018 to 30-07-2018

- ❖ Prof. Manoj Sinha was the Co-Principal Investigator (PI) in the project titled “Concept of Kautilya’s Governance: A Re-Examination of Hindu Political Thought in Contemporary Context” awarded by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR), MHRD, GoI since 08-07-2019.
- ❖ Prof. Manoj Sinha was the Keynote Speaker in the talk on “New Higher Education Policy”, at Department of Human Resource Development, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat, Gujarat on 23-07-2019.
- ❖ Prof. Manoj Sinha was invited as a Speaker in the summit organised by Times Education on “Course, College & Career: Making the Right Choice”, at the Ashoka Hotel, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi on 26-05-2019.

- ❖ Prof. Manoj Sinha was the Guest Speaker for Plenary Session in “The Principals’ Talk on Higher Education and Libraries” in International Conference on “Digital Age Strategies on Information Management for Sustainable Librarianship” organised by Delhi Library Association (DLA) in collaboration with SRFLIS (3rd DLA-SRFLIS Summit 2019) at Conference Centre, University of Delhi, Delhi on 20-04-2019.
- ❖ Prof. Manoj Sinha Attended 1 Day UGC Sponsored Short Term Course on “Higher Education in Shaping the Future of India” sponsored by Centre for Professional Development in Higher Education (CPDHE) (UGC-HRDC) on 25-03-2019.
- ❖ Prof. Manoj Sinha Chaired the session on “Technology for Environmental Sustainability, Socio-Economic Responsibility and Associated Entrepreneurial Opportunities in 21st Century” at National Seminar organised by Department of Chemistry, Sri Aurobindo College, Malviya Nagar, Delhi, on 08 March, 2019.
- ❖ Keynote speaker in Faculty Development Program (FDP) on “Innovative Teaching Methodology” at Chaudhary Ranbir Singh University, Jind, Haryana on 09 February, 2019.
- ❖ Delivered a lecture on “Motivation and Leadership” in 5th Refresher Course in Contemporary Studies (Interdisciplinary) organised by Jawahar Lal Nehru University (JNU) (UGC-HRDC) on 18-01-2019.
- ❖ Resource Person and delivered a lecture on “Gender: Contextualizing “Woman” in Indian Context” in Refresher Course in Gender Studies (IDC) organised by Centre for Professional Development in Higher Education (CPDHE) (UGC-HRDC) on 15-01-2019.

6. Achievement of Students including their participation in various societies

7. Co-curricular Programmes conducted by the Department

The Political Science Society organized its first event "SAMEEP". Ministry of External Affairs Launched SAMEEP is meant to take Indian Foreign Policy to students across the country. The speaker for the programme was Ms. Radha Venkataraman, Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs. The programme was organized on 18th of September 2018 from 11 am to 12:30 pm in the Seminar Room of the college.

The Orientation Lecture of the Political Science Society was held on 19th of September 2018 from 12:15 pm to 1:30 pm in the Seminar Room of the college. The lecture was delivered by Prof. M.P. Singh who has served as the Head of the Department of Political Science at University Of Delhi.

A talk by Prof. Ashok Acharya was organized by the Political Science Society on 26th of September 2018 from 12:30 pm to 2 pm in the Seminar Room of the college. The topic of the lecture was Political Theory: Classical Concerns & Contemporary Challenges.

A film screening programme was organized by the Political Science Society on 12th of October 2018 from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm in the Seminar Room of the college. "Mulk" was shown to the students of the society followed by a very discussion.

The Political Science Society in collaboration with Praja Foundation organized a workshop on Indian Constitutional History on 26th of October 2018 from 12 pm to 2:30 pm in the Seminar Room of the college. The Resource Persons who presided in the event were Mr. Vineeth Krishna E who currently works as the Lead Associate Editor at Centre for Law & Policy Research and Ms. Disha Chaudhary who is the Court Reporter & Associate Editor at the Centre for Law & Policy Research.

Shri. B.P.Singh, Former Governor, Sikkim came to deliver a lecture on "Grammar of Politics: An Indian Story" on 30th of October 2018. The session was chaired by Prof.M.P.Singh, Former Head of Department of Political Science, University of Delhi.

Dr Rashmi Rai, a faculty member in the department of Political Science organized a heritage visit for faculty members and students to Shahjahanabad on 01 March 2019 under the guidance of Dr Archana Ojha Associate Professor at Kamla Nehru College to celebrate our rich cultural diversity through shared experiences and values, so that all can gain a greater understanding and appreciation of our country's history, heritage and communities.

The Political Science Society of Aryabhata College organized its annual festival POLIFESTO on 27th & 28th of March 2019. Activities on day 1 included quiz competition, Poetry competition. Participants recited their poetry in Hindi, English, and Punjabi languages. Students from other colleges of the Delhi University also participated in the events organized by Political Science society.

On Day 2, Dr. Santosh Kr Singh, Associate Professor, School of Global Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi) came to deliver a lecture on "Return of the Rural: Examining the Reappearance of Village India". The lecture was followed by question answer sessions.

8. Library Budget sanctioned for the Department: Rs. 80,000

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

Strength:

With the passage of three years as a full-fledged institution, the college is showing a promise to emerge as a frontline college in the south campus of Delhi University with intake of bright and talented students and high cut off for admissions. The students are excelling in different fields and many before them joining higher studies like MA, Law, management, etc. Few students are applying to foreign universities for admission. The department has been very regular in holding talks, lectures by eminent scholars. Few successful national seminars have also been organized by the department in the last three years which have seen presentation of scholarly papers. The department has been successful in getting collaboration and support from agencies like ICSSR and some ministries of the department. The possibility of a new multi-storied building coming up has generated a new hope.

Weakness:

Finance has been a major concern for the department for expanding its activities. Though it has succeeded in getting collaboration with government agencies and non-government agencies as well, but still there is big gap between departmental aspirations and their concretization. The department also fails to invite scholars from outside Delhi due to resource crunch. With growing number of papers under CBCS, the department is also facing shortage of hands to offer more optional courses. The faculty members face problem of space to do research in the college premises as there is no separate rooms for teachers.

Challenges:

The challenge before the department is how to convert whatever resources available in to new opportunities and fulfill the growing aspirations of new breed of students joining the institution. The department is working overtime to meet the challenges

10. Future plan:

The department plans to approach foreign scholars for lectures and talks. Many faculty members are planning to apply for research projects in order to do more sustained work. The faculty is also keen to expose the students to new areas of empirical research by motivating them to do election survey and field work based

study. The seminar related activities need to be increased and diversified and presentation by college faculty members should also be encouraged.