

Aryabhata College
Department of English
(Annual Report for the Academic session 2021 to 2022)

1) Name of Teacher in Charge: Mr. Binoy Bhushan Agarwal

2) Brief details of Faculty members:

Prof B. Mangalam, PhD
Dr. Geeta Budhraj, PhD
Dr. Rajesh Dwivedi, PhD
Dr. Devender Singh, PhD
Ms. Preeti Gacche, M.Phil
Dr. Kamayani Kumar, PhD
Mr. Binoy Bhushan Agarwal, M.Phil
Dr. Roshni, PhD
Ms. Alka. M.Phil, PhD (pursuing)

3) Student Strength

First Year	Second Year	Third Year
55	55	54

4) Details of publication work by the faculty members:

By Prof. B. Mangalam

Books

A. Ilango Adigal's *Silappadhikaram*. Delhi: Worldview. , 2021. ISBN:978-93-82267-67-6.

Chapters

B. 'Dalit Writing in Tamil: Early Voices, Missing Links and contemporary Contexts'. *Reading Dalit* ed GJV Prasad. Delhi: Pencraft Intl. 2021. ISBN:978-93-82178-04 0.

C. 'Negotiating Gender Hierarchies: Mother's in the Plays of Mahesh Dattani'. Tara ed. Payal Nagpal. Delhi: Worldview. 2021. ISBN:978-93-82267-59-1.

D. Block 2: Bertolt Brecht: The Good Woman of Szechuan
Unit 3 Themes and Characterization
Unit 4 Structure and Style of the Play
IGNOU BA(Hons. English Prog.)

Dr. Devender Singh

- A. National Integration in the Constitution of India published by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India (ISBN 9788194239420), 2021.
- B. Published a paper on Virtual Classroom: Importance and Challenges in Sodh Sarita UGC Care Listed Journal, ISSN 2348-2397, Volume 8, Issue 29 Pages- 93-97, Jan-March 2021.
- C. Published a paper as co-author on सीमांत राज्य उत्तराखंड मे यातायात व्यवस्था का स्तरातजीक विश्लेषण in Kanpur Philosophers; a UGC Care listed Journal. ISSN 2348-8301, Volume VIII, Issue II, 2021, Pages- 36-40.
- D. Published a paper as co-author on Dr. Ambedkar Views of New India as an Anthropologist at Par in the UGC Care Listed Journal Bengal Past and Present, ISSN 0005-8807, Vol. 117, Issue: (III) July – September 2021, Pages- 164-167.
- E. Published a paper as co-author on A Comparative Study on Octapace Culture of Banking And IT Industry in Trivandrum City, Kerala in Shodhsamhita; A UGC Care Listed Journal, ISSN- 2227-7067, Volume- VIII, Issue 12 (III), 2021-2022, Pages- 106-117.

By. Binoy Bhushan Agarwal

- A. Lesson/Study Material on Indra Sinha's Animal's People for School of Open Learning, University of Delhi. March 2022.
- B. Lesson/Study Material on Charlotte Perkins Gilman's "The Yellow Wallpaper" for School of Open Learning, University of Delhi. November 2021.
- C. Lesson/Study Material on Begum Rokeya's "Sultana's Dream" for School of Open Learning, University of Delhi. November 2021.
- D. Lesson/Study Material on Jean-Jacques Rousseau's Discourse on Inequality for School of Open Learning, University of Delhi. September 2021
- E. Lesson/Study Material on Immanuel Kant's On Sublime for School of Open Learning, University of Delhi. July 2021.

5) Participation of faculty members in seminars/workshops ,etc :

By Prof. B. Mangalam

- A. International webinar: 'Censorship in Education: Denying Representation, Diversity and Plurality', In Conversation with Sukirtarani. Translator & Resource Person, 1st Sept, 2021 (Host: DTF)
- B. National Webinar: 'In Conversation with Perumal Murugan' .Translator. 6th September, 2021. Host JDM College, DU.
- C. National Webinar: 'The Relevance of Translation: The Context of India'. Keynote Speaker. DCAC, DU. 28th February, 2022.
- D. National Webinar: 'To be or not to be a Berenger: A Re-reading of Ionesco's Rhinoceros.' Resource Person. RLA, DU. 17th April, 2022.
- E. National Webinar: 'Poetics, Polity and Gender in The Book of Vanci'. Resource Person. 30th April, 2022. Manikchak College, University of Gaur Banga.

Dr. Devender Singh

- A. Chaired a session in a workshop on Caste in Everyday Life in Edinburgh University, Scotland, UK on 19 October, 2021.
- B. Organized a Lecture of Dr. Minakshi Bhardwaj from University of West London, UK, on 'Challenges and Opportunities of Indian Diaspora in UK on 12 November 2021.
- C. Organized a Lecture of Basudev Lamichhane, General Manager, Victoria Care Centre, London UK, on 'Challenges and Opportunities of Diaspora in UK' on 29 December, 2021.
- D. Participated as an expert in a panel discussion on Role of Language and Literature in the 21st Century on FM Gyanvani at IGNOU, New Delhi on 18.01.2022.
- E. Organized a Lecture jointly delivered by Dr. Hitesh Bhatt and Ms. Kim Bhatt on Challenges and Opportunities of diaspora in USA on 09 February 2022.
- F. Organized a panel discussion on 'Socio-Psychological Conditions of Homeless Senior Citizens: A Comparative Analysis of Delhi, Sydney and London Cities' with WHO and Government of India and Australia Nominees on 10 February 2022.
- G. Organized a panel discussion on Religious Harmony Vs Religious Phobia in India with participation of Shri Alok Kumar, President VHP, Prof. Firoz Bakht, Former

Chancellor, MANUU, Hyderabad and Prof. Shri Prakash Singh, the Director, South Campus, DU on 16 February 2022.

- H.** Organized a lecture at Aryabhata College for NSS students on Spirit of Nationalism and National Service in the Indian Armed Forces delivered by Brigadier P C Jena on 07 March, 2022.
- I.** Screened a documentary and delivered a talk on Illustrations and Calligraphy in the Constitution of India at Deptt. of Political Science in Aryabhata College, University of Delhi on 08 March, 2022.
- J.** Invited by the Asiatic Society for Social Science Research, New Delhi to deliver a lecture (online) on Overcoming Inequalities for a Better Human Order on 3rd April 2022.
- K.** Delivered a lecture as an invited expert speaker on Vocal for Local: Challenges and Strategies on 11th April 2022 in e-summit at Aryabhata College, Uni. Of Delhi.
- L.** In collaboration with NSS and Deptt. of Physical Education of Aryabhata College organized a Run for Equality on 12th April 2022 to commemorate birth anniversary of Dr. Ambedkar.
- M.** Delivered a lecture as an invited expert speaker on Aryabhata and His Contributions to Indian Knowledge System on 18th April 2022 in e-summit at Aryabhata College, Uni. Of Delhi.
- N.** Participated as an expert in a panel discussion on Role of Language and Literature in the 21st Century on FM Gyanvani at IGNOU, New Delhi on 18 January 2022
- O.** Invited as a lone expert by All India Radio for Extension of Man Ki Baat (a very popular and prestigious series by the Hon'ble PM). The Programme was broadcast by FM Rainbow 102.6 on 3rd April 2022. (I have been in the panel of experts at AIR for commenting on the MAN KI BAAT by the Hon'ble PM and it was the 3rd time that I was invited by the AIR).
- P.** Invited as an expert by All India Radio FM Rainbow 102.6 for a live Tele-conversation on Dr. Ambedkar on 14th April 2022.

By Binoy Bhushan Agarwal

- A. Presented Paper titled “Toxic Self: Race, Gender and Violence in William Faulkner’s “Dry September” at Interdisciplinary Colloquium at the Centre for Postcolonial and Gender Studies at the University of Trier Germany. 07-08 July 2022.
 - B. Resource Person for the Workshop titled ‘Workshop on NAAC Guidelines for Teachers’ under the aegis of IQAC, Aryabhata College. 17th June 2022.
 - C. Resource Person for the Workshop titled ‘Role of Non-Teaching Staff in NAAC’ under the aegis of IQAC, Aryabhata College. 10th June 2022.
 - D. Presented paper titled ‘Of Sea and Ships: Voyages aboard East Indiamen’ at the International Postgraduate Port and Maritime History Network organized by the University of Stirling, UK. 25 August, 2021.
 - E. Presented paper titled ‘Framing the Past: Mapping the Relationship between Form and Content in History Writings’ at the 4th Public History Summer School 2020 organized by The Institute of History of the University of Wrocław, Poland (Ih Uwr), Zajezdnia (Depot) History Centre, And The International Federation For Public History. Wrocław, Poland. 7- 11 June 2021.
 - F. Presented paper titled ‘Splendid Encounters: Historical Narratives and Revisionism of Early Colonial India’ at ‘Literature and Cultural Studies Section: ‘Re-writing/Re-imagining the Past’ - the 22nd Annual International Conference Of The English Department, University Of Bucharest, 3–5 June, 2021.
- 6) Achievement of Students including their participation in various societies:
Various student members who are members of Nibs & Brushes and Picwic represented college at the week-long festival - *Deepotsava* – at the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts (INGCA) Janpath, New Delhi on 20-22 October 2022.
- 7) **Co-curricular Programmes conducted by the Department:**
- A. English alumni series, a talk by an alumnus of the College, Ms. Pooja Upadhyay, was organized on 15th June 2022 on the topic ‘Evolving Role of Media: Opportunities and Challenges’.
 - B. Visit to Sunder Nursery, Delhi’s Heritage Park, developed by the Aga Khan Trust for Culture was organized on 10th March 2022.

- C. Elections for the core team of the English Literary Association were held on 14 January 2021.
- D. An Orientation Programme was scheduled for 22nd November 2021 for the First Year Students who were admitted to the Aryabhata College for academic session 2021-22.
- E. Online workshop titled 'Building an App-etite for Knowledge: Academic Writing in the 21st Century' was organized by the English Literary Society on 26 October, 2021. Speaker. Anuj Gupta, PhD. University of Arizona, USA.
- F. A National Webinar was organized on 26.10.2021 on The Staging of Girish Karnad's Plays: A Director's Perspective. Sh.K.S.Rajendran, the renowned Director and former Professor, NSD.
- G. A 3-day open 'Academic Reading and Writing Workshop' between 09 to 20 November, 2021.
- H. Annual Seminar and Literary Festival Calypso '22 on 27th April 2022 titled 'feminism with small f: stories from Africa' by Dr. Nandini Sen, Bharati College. University of Delhi.

8) Library Budget sanctioned for the Department: Rs. 1,10,000/-

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

Strength:

- A. National and International Seminars, Conferences and talks with regular frequency along with its annual departmental festival Calypso.
- B. Institution of memorial awards by Prof. B Mangalam for excellence in academic performance by students in 1st, 2nd, & 3rd year of Hons. programme for English department is an added incentive to motivate students to excel in the field.
- C. Assistance/Mentoring offered to students for publishing their creative/critical writing in magazines and at conferences.

Weakness:

Departmental Magazine.

Opportunities:

With language lab in place, the Department has several opportunities to develop and align departmental activities that tap on the audio-visual resources.

Challenge:

Creation of wider alumni network.

10) Future Plans of the Department:

Having identified the weakness, opportunities and challenges the department intends to work upon those areas in the years to come and fill the lacuna especially the departmental magazine.