Date: 15 February 2025 **Venue:** Room Nos. 7 & 8

The Department of English organized its Freshers' Welcome Function on 15 February 2025 in Rooms 7 and 8 as part of the college-wide celebration for first-year students. Since the formal academic orientation had already been conducted on 29 August 2024, this event served as a more informal interaction aimed at helping freshers feel fully integrated into the department's social and cultural environment.

The session began with an informal address by the Teacher-in-Charge, ELA Convenor and faculty members, who extended a warm welcome to the students and expressed delight at seeing them settled into the new semester. Rather than focusing on syllabus details, the emphasis was on building camaraderie, encouraging students to share their initial experiences of college life, and interact freely with faculty and peers.

The English Literary Association (ELA) team engaged students in light ice-breaking activities and interactive games, creating a relaxed and cheerful atmosphere. This gave first-year students the opportunity to connect with their seniors, learn about departmental activities, and express interest in contributing to future events such as literary fests, film screenings, and seminars.

The departmental gathering was followed by the college-level cultural programme on the main stage, which featured vibrant performances by the Music Society and Dance Society, as well as a Talent Hunt where first-year students showcased their skills in music, dance, poetry recitation, and dramatics.

The event concluded on a lively note, leaving the freshers feeling welcomed, encouraged, and inspired to participate actively in the academic and cultural life of the department.



