

# हंस VISION

Volume-III/2016

HANS RAJ NEWSPAPER

Published by VISION Society

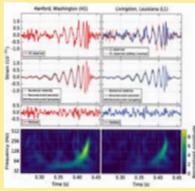
hrcvision.du@gmail.com

CONVENER  
SPEAK - NSS  
PAGE -4



Dr. Baljeet Kaur

GRAVITA-  
TIONAL WAVES  
PAGE 5



SAMAGAM  
PAGE -6



Major General G.D. Bakshi

INTERVIEW  
WITH  
ADITAI PURI  
PAGE -7



Aditai Puri

## Principal's Message :



Dr. Rama

Hans Raj College is the rising sun in the field of education, known for its discipline and amalgamation of sincerity, hardwork and excellence. The students, teaching staff, non-teaching staff and the alumini of the college are tied in an inseparable bond for a lifetime, making the institution a prosperous family. Hans Raj College has provided and will always provide every possible assistance and cooperation towards a positive cause. According to me the dreams and aspirations of the students are the most valuable possession of our college that can be achieved only through discipline and perseverance.

## NAYI DISHA NAYA SANKALP



JLN Stadium

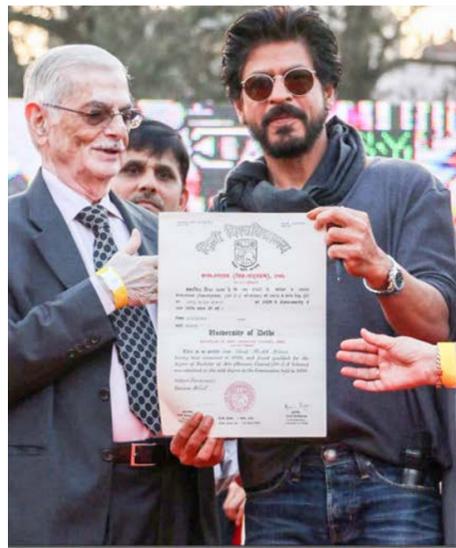
"Nayidisha, Nayasankalp" reverberated in the immensity of JLN stadium where thousands of students lumped together to celebrate the feeling of being a part of D.A.V. The event was planned and executed by DAV College Managing Committee in collaboration with Arya

Manjit Singh Saggi, Dept. of Commerce, being the convener of the event. Gagan, a student of BA program from Hans Raj College commenced this event by delivering a marvelous performance and spreading the magic of his voice to the audience. Hon'ble Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi elevated the ambience of the event by his presence. The guest of honors were Mr. Punam Suri, the president of DAV college managing committee and The Governor of Himachal Pradesh, Mr. Acharya Devrat. PM Modi's elocution evoked a feeling of patriotism among the students and was organized by all. Mr. Modi became a role model for the masses and he made all of contemplating on the state of affairs of the present situation. He made people believe in the power of youth, and how Indians can lead their nation to the road of success. The journey back and forth to JLN stadium of the students and faculty members was led by the 12 buses. At the end of the day, everyone had a smile on their faces, lots of memories and a spark to ignite a colossal in their minds.



Pradeshik Pratinidhi Sansthan to mark the birth anniversary of Swami Dayanand Saraswati at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi on 14th February 2016. A galore of students from Hans Raj College marked their presence in this one-of-a-kind event. Almost 600 students of HRC volunteered for the same and efficiently managed a crowd of approximately fifty thousand. The students were guided by 20 faculty members with Dr.

## An Aura of Vivacity SRK in HANS RAJ



Ecstasy on faces, sheer excitement in hearts, a massive crowd of approx. 20,000 students never seen before in any DU college-the premises of Hans Raj witnessed one of the most glorious days in college. All this was natural to the occasion as the biggest star of Bollywood, heartthrobs of millions, SHAHRUKH KHAN was back to his alma mater. The news of his arrival at the college spread like fire in the forest & students from almost every DU college came to see the Badshah of Bollywood live. Students had been pouring into the college ground since morning and once King Khan arrived at about 5:30 in the evening, he was extravagantly welcomed in

the college along with the director of his upcoming movie FAN, Maneesh Sharma who is also an alumnus of Hans Raj College. Shahrukh walked down the memory lane and said that it felt really special coming back to his college again. He bestowed the fact that the college gave him so much to learn and one should feel proud of being a member-Hans Raj college. During the promotional event, he was conferred with his economics honors degree 28 years after he passed out the college in 1988. While presenting him with the degree, our honourable principal Dr. Rama said that the institution is proud of his superstar stu-

dent. Thereafter, the video song "Jabra Fan" was released with Shahrukh performing some signature moves on the stage. His presence created craziness amongst the students and nothing could stop the unstoppable crowd. Everyone tried to capture this adorable moment once in a lifetime, be it through the cameras of their eyes or mobile phones. Shahrukh took some spectacular selfies with the crowd. The DAVians attired in red t-shirt contributed their very best to make the event successful and memorable. The day ended with unforgettable reminiscence in everyone's mind.

## THE CRICKET EXTRAVAGANZA

An inter-departmental T-20 cricket match was organised on Saturday 20th February under the guidance of sports managing committee and our principal Dr. Rama in the College ground.

The match was played between Arts and Commerce faculty team lead by Dr. NK Jain and science faculty team lead by Mr. Arvind Yadav. The Arts and Commerce team outplayed the science team continuously for the 6th time and uplifted the trophy. The match began with Arts and Commerce team batting first as Science team won the toss and chose to field. The Arts and Commerce team set a score of 129/6 on the score-

board. The second innings of the match began after



a break at around 11:00 am. But the trail towards victory did not seem easy for the Sci-

ence faculty team as the opener of the team got bowled out on 5 runs and the wickets fell like shingles in a storm until Mr. Chattrapal (Physics dept) gave his team a hope to win scoring 40 runs on 36 balls with some really beautiful shots. But his efforts could not turn fruitful as the Science team ceased at 122/6 and declaring the Arts and Commerce team victorious by 7 runs. Mr. Aniket (Arts and Commerce Team) was declared Man of the Match and Best Bowler was awarded to Mr. Lokesh Chand (Science Team). Mr. Chattrapal bagged the title of Best Batsman. Our principal Dr. Rama awarded the winning trophy.

**VISION**  
THE VOYAGE OF VOICES

The Vision Society invites students, teaching & non-teaching staff of Hans Raj College to send literary works (both in English & Hindi), artworks (Sketches etc.), inspirational reporting, breaking silence articles for the fourth volume of हंस VISION. Selected works will be published in the next volume.

Last Date: March 25, 2016

Send all query and response with your name, course and year to the following Email Id- hrcvision.du@gmail.com

9811082322

**SID'S KITCHEN**

WITH NORTH & SOUTH INDIAN FOOD

HOME DELIVERY upto 5KM

25-UB, Jawahar Nagar, Kamla Nagar, Near MOMOs Point, Delhi-7

<b>INDEX :</b>	February Fest Fiesta -Society Fests	2	Convener's Speak	4	The Gravitational Wave	5	Achievements	7
	February Fest Fiesta -Department Fests	3	From lover of Stars to A Star - Rohit Vemula	4	Dastaan-E-J.N.U	5	Workshops and Seminars	7
	Poems	4	Siachen Avalanche	4	Misdeed in Delhi Metro	5	Reviews	8
	The Beautiful Life	4	Express	4	Snippets of the College	6	Artworks	8

The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer somebody else up. - Mark Twain

## ECLAT



Hans Raj Dramatics Society organized its annual theatre fest Éclat 2016 at Hans Raj College Auditorium. Rangmanchiyata, the stage event of Éclat was held on 29th of February showcasing one of the best plays of Delhi University theatre circuit. The event was a non-competitive where judges Ms. Neelam Gupta, a renowned theatre personality of the National School of Drama and Mr. Pranav Sachdev, an alumni of Hans Raj and a recipient of over 30 best actor awards from the University of Delhi, came to give their feedback about the plays, Eshaan and Hricha, the hosts for the day were accompanied by Suramya, the ECA this year as he played a special song dedication for each play on his guitar. From the trap that "Veronica's Room" showcased by Sri Venkateswara College to the play of lights used by Hindu's Ibtida to depict the Characters Revolt, each play enthralled the audience. Applause reverberated in the auditorium as Shunya from Ramjas College exemplified realism to drama through their play Deluxe Hair Cutting Salon. A contrast is established as SRCC brought an unrealistic scenario where a man's two wives land up back as ghosts. The best direction award was given to Dewang and Shobhit from Ramjas. And SRCC's Vidushi Chadha aka Anna Arcati won the best actor award.

## UTSAV



"Life should celebrated not only lived". With this objective in mind, NSS celebrated its annual flagship fest, UTSAV '16 on 23rd February '16. The fest being a true amalgamation of energy, enthusiasm and colors hosted a plethora of fun-filled and intellectual events that managed to grab huge crowds and good attendance from students and teachers alike. The theme for this year was 'Colors of India' where the diversity of India was showcased. Stalls were put up to depict the customs, food and other specialties specific to the states of India. Ms. Bharti Ali, Co-Founder and Co-Director of HAQ: Centre for Child Rights and Ms. Shilpi Marwaha, an Indian theatre and cinema artist were the Chief Guests for the day. The inauguration ceremony was packed with performances of college as well as Padhaku students. One of the major attractions was the performance of 'Dastak' - a street play on atrocities against women by Asmita Theatre Group. Some of the highlights of the festival were- Padhaku sports day, Singer is king, Canvas hands, Campus run, Kya aap panchvi pass se tez hain? Dan dana dan goal!, Puchka spree, talent- da- tadka, Kalamkari and Match fixing. Results for the all the events were declared on the spot and prizes worth Rs. 35,000 were distributed.

## SHANTI NARAYAN MEMORIAL DEBATE



Shanti has always seemed to be a bit of an ironic name for a tournament which is essentially all about speaking, arguing, articulating and interrogating. But this beautiful paradox is just of many things that makes Hans Raj College's Shanti Narayan Memorial Debate uniquely special every year. The 9th edition of Shanti was scheduled from 19th to 22nd February, 2016. It continued the tradition of efficiency, perfection and innovation. Debaters from all across the nation had come to be a part of this event. It was definitely one of the interesting tournaments, one step further in Hans Raj Debating Society's engagement with activity of dealing.

## AVGAT



The week concluded with the speaker session, Samvad bringing in 7 speakers from different fields to share the stage and interact with the audience. With the highlight of the event being RJ Naved, the event finished with a bunch of sighs, some creases on the forehead and lots of cheers.

The Society of General Awareness recently saw the celebration of its annual awareness week which was an amalgamation of seven events spread across the seven days of the week. The awareness week, Avgat worked at increasing the societal presence of every individual by bridging the gap created by economy and misfortune between particular classes.

The Annual Awareness week Avgat started with a seminar on 'Together we can Cancel Cancer' by the founding chairperson of 'Can Kids, Kids can', an organization run by cancer survivors who shared the story of their being, talked about the segregation they faced and urged the attendees to break the stigma associated with cancer patients. The S.G.A. called in organizations working for the empowerment of underprivileged people, widows, children and ex-prisoners to come, propagate and sell their goods and take a step further towards a more tomorrow in the 'Adbudh Mela' which was followed by more than seventy-five NGOs recruiting volunteers for internships next day at the 'Social Internship Fair'. SGA went for a tour to the orphanage, 'Baccho ka Ghar' where the volunteers got to interact and bond with the children and showering them with gifts and happiness. The annual quiz competition Inquivesta was executed the next day as about a couple hundred quizzers from around the town converged for what was about to be an enthralling competition with cash prizes.

## GUTENBERG



Ostraca the creative writing society of Hans Raj College had their marvelous annual festival, which was held on 1st and 2nd March 2016. where we took the chance and opportunity to talk acclaimed authors and translation, and writing tournament was conducted.

We were delighted to welcome Manu Joseph and Akhil Katyal as our guest speakers this year. Manu Joseph, an acclaimed journalist reverent author who is published in the International New York Times and The Hindustan Times has won the Hindu literary prize and PEN open book award for his debut work 'Senior Men'. His second book: 'The Illicit Happiness of other people', has been described by The Wall Street journal as a work that "inject dark, rueful laughter into an immensely touchy story of loss".

Akhil Katyal, an assistant professor in the Dept. of English at Shiv Nadar University, has done his PhD in Dept. of South Asia, school of oriental and African studies (SOAS) university of London (2011). He writes poetry and has varied interests including South Asia queer literature, Kashmiri writing in English and in English translation, particularly Agha Shahid Ali; biography studies; histories of LGTB activities in India etc. Among his publication is 'Night charge extra'-a book of poem by Akhil Katyal.

The event was really great and witnessed the participation of more than 250 people including the online writing competition.

## VAKIF



The poetry society of Hans Raj College 'Kavyanjali' celebrated its annual festival 'Vakif 16' on 24th and 25th of February 2016. The society with its enthusiastic spirit welcomed the people on the first day of the fest with competitions such as open MIC (Hindi and English) and creative writing followed by a mono-act competition. Side events such as dubsmash, karaoke etc. entertained the participants. The second day of the event commenced with a musical journal by Padamashree Bharti Bandhu, an eminent personality in the field of ghazal, thumri and dadra. The group sang several Sufi compositions and Kabir bhajans. 'Vakif' has been successful to keep the essence of poetry alive amongst the youth.

## PROFECTUS



This year, E-Cell brought some of the most amazing events for the out-of-the box thinkers and problem solvers. Profectus'16 took place on 24th February. Mr. Deepak Goyal, founder of Karma Circle gave a motivational speech on why and how to be an entrepreneur. This included various innovative events like Corporate Bidding, Best Entrepreneur, Corporate Hunt and Entrevestor. The fest started off with the 'Entrebid' which involved bidding for commodities. Then the selected participants decided their B-plan. A unique competition "Mejor Entrepreneur" was also organized. In the finals of Entrebid and Mejor Entrepreneur, the participants of Entrebid bid for the companies which the Mejor Entrepreneur participants pitched for. The next event was the case study competition 'Imprendito'. Profectus'16 was a successful event where the participants won Cash prizes worth Rs. 60,000 and prizes worth Rs.2.5 Lakhs.

## RACHANOTSAV



The fest began with the bash of the Indian Choir competition marked the beginning of Rachnotsav. The judges for the competition were Ujwal Nagar & ram Narayan Jha. They shortlisted 12 Indian classical choirs from the du circuit. Choirs were given 12 minutes each to perform their respective pieces. The judges got to hear a variety of ragas. The LSR-Dhwani bagged the first prize and Gargi-samranjini won the second prize. This was just the beginning of an awesome musical day. Following the order of melody next in a row was western choir competition. 12 western choirs from the du circuit gave mesmerizing performances. Judges for western solo & choir were Nirupan Sinha & Bhanu Sharma. The Capella event where no instruments were allowed was also one of the best part of the fest.

KMC - Musoc won the first prize and the 2nd prize was won by - Miranda - Orpheus. After this the Indian solo competition was organized and Miranda house's - Manya Arora won first prize and then followed by western solo which took the event to another level and it was a tough choice for the judges to announce the winners and both the first and second prize was awarded to the students of KMC. Battle of the bands which was judged by Sajal Sharma & Abhay Sharma was the real show time event with a mix of hard rock bands, classical and rock fusion and much more. Judges shortlisted 6 bands from the du circuit, 15 mins per band.

## EMPRESSA



On 6th of February 2016, The Finance and Investment Cell, Hansraj College launched the second edition of its annual financial fest, Empressa 2016. The speaker sessions were the highlight of the fest. Among the speakers were Dr. Pawan Aggarwal, CEO of Dabbawala Association, Mumbai, R.Rajagopalan, a distinguished journalist of parliament and Mr. Sharadh Tripathi, a renowned Member of Parliament from BJP. Wolf of Thug Street gathered a huge crowd. Inquire, an online financial quiz competition, had the wheels of their brains churning really fast. Tactica, an online guesstimate competition checked people's ability to crack the code. It also had Mantralaya which was applauded for its concept. Hit Wicket was an event where participants were not mere audience but the bidders during the auctioning of the players. Another event was Startup Speculation, a quest to build a startup. With Empressa'16 another smashing year of FIC, Hansraj College was brought to a close.

## ECOLLOQUIUM



Ecolloquium 2016, the annual economic fest was organised on 26th February and witnessed participation of over 400 college students. A plethora of events were conducted, varying from mafia to movies, each based on an economic concept, to allow all the creative juices to flow in. The event Dope Economy reconstructed a booming underground economy, wherein participants had to indulge in hypothetical drug trafficking and smuggling. On the other hand, in Sitcom Bazinga, players had to bid their way to the jewels of entertainment, and generate money. In the event Three Marketeers, everyone put on their thinking caps to solve the ultimate marketing fix, while performing product conceptualizing and advertising. Participants, stepped into the boots of a director, in the event Lights, Camera, Auction, and analysed twists and turns to make a high returns yielding movie, at the minimum cost. Finally, for all the Harry Potter fans, a game with plethora of activities to pump up their cardinal utility was initiated. Wit and wand came together, to create a simulation of the world of enchantments, hexes and charms and gave the students an opportunity to optimize their utility. From a literary fandom to marketing tandems and tracing the contours of cinema, the event was studied with young economists, all vying for the rewards.

## VANIJYA UTSAV



The Commerce Department at Hans Raj College hosted the Annual National Commerce Festival – VANIJYA UTSAV on 8th February, 2016 in the college premises. Vanijya Utsav savours the repute of one of the most well envisioned and enforced commerce fests of India. The fest started on the fated day at 12:10 PM with the lighting of the lamp and a welcome note by the convenor Dr. Sonal Sharma. The first highlight of the day was the speaker session. Mr Shiv Khara, renowned author of the book 'You Can Win' and Mr Syed Safawi, CEO, Viom Networks, inspired the audience with their words of wisdom. The fest involves exhilarating, captivating and illuminating competitions, solely aimed at appraising analytical, logical and managerial skills of students. These include De Mercadeo, Chase the Case, Entrepport, Bullzai, Ratpack and The Whitehall Model. The final round of Chase the Case was conducted by Mr Shiv Khara himself. The event witnessed participation in large numbers and achieved a new stature this year.

## SAMANVAYA

Samanvaya Society of B.A. Programme (Department of Philosophy) organized its two-day annual fest on 12th and 13th Feb. 2016. On first day, it organized an essay writing competition, a quiz competition followed by a slogan writing competition. Day two began with a talk that unfolded in two sessions. In session one Dr. Ajay Verma, Associate Professor of Jawaharlal Nehru University delivered a lecture on "Buddhist Ethics". In session two, Mr. Ratnesh Kumar Shukla, Advocate, Supreme Court of India, gave an informative speech on "Capital Punishment in India: Development of the



law". Both the sessions were chaired by Dr. Aamir Riyaz of the Department of

Philosophy. On 25th February 2016 organized one full day talk in two sessions in Hans Raj College. In session one Dr. Santosh Hasnu, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Hans Raj College delivered his talk on the topic; "A Historical look at the people of Northeast India". In session two Dr. Satyendra Srivastava, Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, Hans Raj College delivered his talk on the topic; "Mahatma Gandhi: The need of today". Dr. Aamir Riyaz was the convenor of the Seminar.

## CYNOSURE

The Computer Science Society of Hans Raj College organized its two-day Annual Tech Symposium, Cynosure 2016, on 21st and 22nd January. First day of the symposium, Herald was organized in three sessions by Prof. K. Muttoo, HOD, Dept. of Computer Science, DU, Mr. Chiranjeev Singh, MBA (IIM-A graduate), Ms. Nishi Aggarwal, an Alumnus of Hans Raj College were the speakers. Day two of the symposium began with the inauguration ceremony. Bitwise, the department magazine was also released. Over 1000 participants from colleges across



Delhi participated in the events. Technical events comprised of events Like Code-A-

Baton (The Coding Competition), Swat the Bug (Debugging Competition), Web Apocalypse (Web Designing), Technologically Challenged (The Quiz), Cipher (Cryptography), Mantador (PC Assembling) etc. Non-technical events comprised of Gully cricket, Treasure Hunt, Fantasy Cricket League, Debate and GD, Logo Designing, Photography, Poster Designing, Gaming and Surprise event. Events like Ludophilia, which comprised of multiple 'minute-to-win' games and other IQ games, attracted many students with non-technical background.

## FLORISTICS



The annual cultural festival "Floristics 2016" was organised by the botanical society of Hans Raj College, Botanique. The botanical society serves as the fulcrum for student activities in the department. Every year, they organise various events of scientific interest like lectures, workshops, and excursions - to allow students to participate in interdisciplinary discourse in an engaging way. This year it was celebrated on 15th Feb 2016 in college premises. The annual festival - floristics happens to be conceived with the same ideas in mind - providing a platform for all students to share ideas, allowing their contribution to a common pool of knowledge which keeps on growing with time. Various events such as mumble jumble, quiz competition, poster making, slice it up etc. were organised. The event was chaired by eminent Professor Mr. Anil Grover from Department of Plant Molecular Biology, University of Delhi.

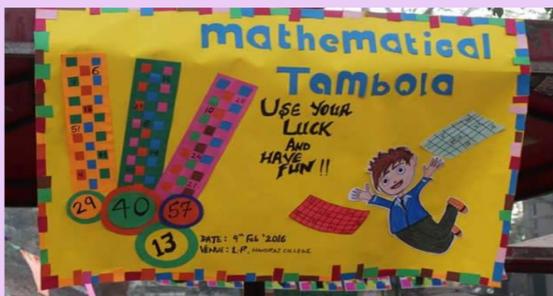
## LITAMANETS

The Literary Society of Hans Raj College made a tremendous appearance with its two day annual festival on 2nd and 3rd of February, "LitAmantes'2016", within the campus. The society welcomed people on the first day of the fest with a movie screening of Orlando - a Film by Sally Potter, which was then followed by a film discussion. The treasure hunt began thereafter followed by next event - The Theatre Play. The society turned up with a department production for the first time with the theatre play titled, "Daayre-e-Ulfat", under the supervision of



Dr. Sanjay Kumar. Side events like politically incorrect debates and caption-it continued throughout the day. The next day commenced with a beautiful performance by Vinayak Pant on sitar and Anirudh Varma on keyboard, which was followed by a conversation on music, by Nikhil Yadav and Prachee Dewri. Then there was the major highlight of the festival, Batman V/S Superman, which was a thriller event for all. The literature quiz was also in limelight. The second day ended with a creative writing competition.

## IDENTITY



The 9th of February, 2016 saw several students meet for the annual fest of The Department of Mathematics at Hans Raj College under the banner name 'IDENTITY' –an opportunity for Talents. Around 1500 students participated enthusiastically. About 100 volunteers shouldered the responsibility of organizing various events. The fest began with the traditional lighting of the lamp and an interactive session conducted by Rev. Prof. V.Ravichandran. The participating students were ushered by the amalgamation of formal and non formal events including Maths And Tech Quiz, Paper presentation, Treasure Hunt, Mathematical Tambola, Nash Equilibria, Chess + Dice and Gully Cricket. The LP soon transformed into a seat of myriad thoughts where students showcased their passion with vibrant fervour. Momos Attack, Minute to Win It and Funtakshari imbued a huge participation and ensured fun through some hilarious attempts made by the contestants.

## SRISHTI CHETNA

On 27th of February 2016, the Zoology department of Hans Raj College hosted their annual fest 'Srishti Chetna'. The theme of the fest was 'for the students, by the students'. The event was started with Saraswati Vandana followed by lighting of the lamp by Dr. Rama Sharma and professors of Zoology department. The event included 'award winning presentations', experience sharing speeches by the students and environment lightening

shayari program. A debate competition was organized in which students from different colleges had participated. Fun events such as Pictionary, creative writing, and spell bee were also organized. The winners received gift vouchers and celebrated the moment with great zeal. In a nutshell 'Srishti Chetna' was an extravagant event which would be cherished by all.



## AFFINITY

Scienza di vita, the life science society of Hans Raj College organised its annual cultural festival, Affinity, on 18th-19th February. The fest featured various events and competitions that took everyone's spirits to a higher level. On the first day, Mr. Vikas Jain, founder of the Adhyan Foundation, addressed the students in his workshop, "Career ka PUNCHAMA". The session was highly appreciated. Turn coat competition, rangoli making com-

petition and Quizst, the general quiz were also organised on the same day. The second day had interesting games like Jagga Jasoos, Beg Borrow Steal, Foodathon, Bucket Head, Pehchan Kon, etc with prizes worth rupees 1 lakh. A workshop on career opportunities was also organised by Gyan Bindu Academy. The fest attained a footfall of around 500 to 1000 students. Thus the society successfully organised a joyous event.



## SIACHEN AVALANCHE: MARTYRS ON THE BATTLEFIELD

By Shivangi  
B.Com(H)  
II year

One junior commissioned officer and nine Jawans of the Army's 19 Madras battalion had been trapped after an avalanche struck their post in Siachen early wednesday morning. The post is at 19,600 feet on the Actual Graved Position Line - the border with Pakistan at Siachen glacier - in the vicinity of Bana post.

Siachen is the world's highest active battlefield, contested by India and Pakistan since 1984. Indian Army currently occupies the full Siachen glacier, while Pakistani forces are deployed at the lower heights of Saltoro ridge.

A heroic rescue operation was conducted since 3rd February, the day of avalanche, in which about 150 soldiers, two rescue dogs - Dot and Misha and some sophisticated radars took part.

Out of those who were buried alive under several feet of snow, Lance Naik Hanamanthappa Koppad, a 33 year old soldier miraculously survived. But he remained in a critical condition at the Army Research and Referral hospital on Tuesday evening. He was placed on ventilator to protect his airway and lungs in view of his comatose state. He remained buried under ice from 3rd to 8th February and was found to be conscious but drowsy and disoriented.

No one can imagine what it must have been like before being rescued. "You are under a mountain of ice. You are alive, but nothing is in your hands to make yourself live. You can feel, breathe, think but can do nothing about it. Ice is filled in your mouth and eyes. Cold reaches to each of your body part,



your heart and even to your brain. Blood freezes in your nerves. Time does not pass away quickly. Each moment feels like a decade. You want to shout out loud, you want to cry, but can't help it. When the time comes when they come to rescue you, it's already too late and you lose every bit of your consciousness."

The entire Betadur village prayed for Hanamanthappa. Her mother said that she had a dream in which he stood beside her and told her that he will return. His wife Jayashri, his children Netravati and Basavva and a few others were arranged to travel by road to Goa and board a flight to New Delhi.

He died in a Delhi hospital four days after he was miraculously rescued alive from Siachen. Thousands of people gathered in a small Karnataka village to bid farewell to Hanamanthappa Koppad, who was buried at the panchayat ground in his village Betadur in Dharwad district after noon on 12th February, Friday.

The cause of the avalanche is yet unknown. There is no doubt that Hanamanthappa was a fighter. However, the avalanche also affected the life of other soldiers also. Media coverage over "mourns over his passing", political leaders to be seen with his family members, patriotic songs were played on his funeral day. There is a need to clean up the system which presently makes a mockery of announcements of financial help when the families of our soldiers are in distress.

## FROM A LOVER OF STAR TO A STAR: THE ROHIT VEMULA CASE

By Prayukta Mohanty  
Geology (H)  
I year

Mass protests, extensive media coverage and nationwide debates has brought the Rohit Vemula case up for the nation to deliberate upon. Among the hot debates and controversies stems lots of questions. Who is Rohit Vemula? Why did he die? Is it merely the death of some student at a University or it is much more than that?

Most of us know Rohit Vemula as a 25-year-old Dalit boy pursuing his PhD in Life Sciences at the University of Hyderabad. But it is just one dimension of his life. His age, degree or caste is not something that defines him. It is his love for science, stars and nature, his ideology, his views and his ambition of being a writer that actually show who he is. A humble boy with a dream of stars - a dream of being like Carl Sagan. But that dream has been lost unfulfilled. His protest against the hanging of Yakub Memon and his condemnation of the ABVP attack on the screening of the documentary "He has met a tragic fate. Harassed, broken and shattered by suspension from his hostel due to false allegations of him being involved in an alleged attack on an ABVP activist, Rohit hanged himself to death in his friend's room. This is the price he had to pay for speaking his opinions, for



Rohit Vemula

presenting his thoughts. Once again our democratic country has failed to save a person who had not committed any crime but had just used his freedom to support a cause. This case has once again brought to limelight how Casteism still reigns masked by fake assurances and non-functional laws. Rohit Vemula had a liberated soul entrapped in a Dalit boy. He describes his birth as a 'fatal accident' and himself as an 'un-appreciated child'. This shows how the under privileged people are victims of cruelty, ignorance and barbarism. He felt himself growing into a monster, as he writes in his suicide note. It is high time to question ourselves why we let casteism, fraudulence and ignorance to grow enormously till they begin to suffocate us? Will we keep numb and our eyes shut till more innocent lives are sacrificed? This is enough. We need to speak up against this discrimination and ignorance to save the life of such harmless and brave souls.

## Beautiful Life

By Anuj Pundir  
Chemistry (H)  
II year

Life is a hub of chances and experiences; every former comes with a latter. Every day we confront a bit of something, most of us follow the same socially acceptable template and fall victim to boredom while some mark their own footprints on the grounds of discoveries. Revolting against these routines and dreaming to escape won't help; all you need is to alter your perspective. Life is way beyond the motility of oxygen, it's about that involuntary smile that smothered your face when you see someone smiling without any reason, it's about the shudders you feel on a chilled first flight and it's about that warmth you get from your beloved. Night and day you are busy with your ceaseless chats, avoiding it and seeing things for a minute can take your life to an intangible shore. The moment you start seeing beauty in small things, you are blown away like leaves on ground and trees in rain. In reality, there is nothing ordinary or extraordinary, there's beauty in everything. For instance, you can see a heap of compost with a possibility of garden of roses in it.

If you're like me, inquisitive, then you must be thinking, "okay that's nice, but how's that exactly going to happen?"

I would say that it's all about realising your impalpable side which again is a matter of accepting yourself and your life as it is. Acceptance is the mother of bliss and it comes when instead of expecting for your future, you live your present at its best. Changing a certain moment is fine, but only if you already know that resisting the reality is useless. Surrendering to that moment and accepting things and people the way they are, will open your heart and will give you perpetual peace.

People often praise you, saying "keep it up". That's okay, but have you ever thought of keeping it down? Life is not about achieving something you crave for, it's about getting that incessant pleasure in doing things that you own at present. I'm not asking you to stop making all efforts and leave it all on fate, do whatever you are doing but with some spaces of introspection in between as spaces are as important as continuity in your life. It's through space that you breathe. It's through space that your body moves. It's through space that you hear. And it's through spaces between these letters that you are reading; else it would all be puzzling.

Hope you got something...

# EXPRESS

I HAVE AN OPINION AND I HAVE THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS IT.

By Saumya Suprava  
Botany (H)  
I year

Every human being is different from each other not only in appearance but also in their mindset and perception about things. All of us form an opinion about every other thing we see, feel or experience.

In fact, every person is entitled to have their views, ideas and opinions. In a diverse country like ours its common to have difference in opinion about every other thing. Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers. One fundamental concept behind freedom of expression is that everyone is to be able to study many different opinions about all the issues on which we make joint decisions. Freedom of expression is normally described as being important for democracy because it makes it possible to spread information freely, thereby providing citizens and decision-makers with better opportunities to reach well-founded decisions. Freedom of expression can also be said to fill a more critical function since well informed citizens and free mass media are given ample opportunities to review and express their opinions about how public power is exercised. Moreover, freedom of expression can contribute to combating corruption. Freedom of expression can also be motivated from a democratic equality perspective. A political administration in which decisions are made in accordance with the majority principle only becomes a legitimate administration if all citizens have had an opportunity to express their opinion on a certain issue.

Freedom of expression is also an individual privilege that gives individuals the right to express their opinions and communicate with others. Starting from sports to politics, books, movies each person's ideology matters. In Indian household chai and debate on national issues are common to see. These open grounds for discussion actually enables all to know the perception of that particular section of the society. Free exchange of ideas brings out unique solutions that can be beneficial and is in for the larger interest of the nation. The youth of the nation should never be afraid to put forth their views as their mindset about the national issues will govern the future policies of the country. I HAVE AN OPINION AND I HAVE THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS IT. But that doesn't mean we should hurt the sentiments and virtues of others. Yes, as long as your statement of opinion is just an opinion and doesn't contain specific assertions that can be proved untrue. For example, "I didn't like Star restaurant" is an opinion. "whatever you do don't go to the restaurant. I had a hamburger there that was tainted with e.coli and had to be hospitalized for a week" is potentially a defamatory statement if in fact the restaurant can prove that you never spent any time in hospital. We have a right to expression but in a spree of showcasing ourselves we should not undermine any other section of the society. Use this power for greater good and prove to be an asset for the nation.

## The Second Face

By Anuj Pundir  
Chemistry (H)  
II year

Every morning I wake up  
I wake up with a grin,  
though the reason is little known.  
scrambled thoughts in and out curls,  
what you gonna wear today  
on your face,  
I own a miscellanea  
and a mind full of dilemmas.  
well, it's the people around who'll decide...!  
the face of rage or the face of mercy  
the face of courage or the face of effete.  
But all beneath this,  
lies the face,  
the second and the real.  
seeking to turn up if,  
If it's you,  
you my beloved.

## वो अलवदि

जब भी घर से आता हूँ  
उन आँखों को नम ही पाता हूँ  
वो आँखों की नमी कुछ कहती है  
वरिह की पीड़ा सहती है  
सपने बुनती है यही,  
कुछ बनके, मैं आ जाऊँ  
चाहत रखती है यही,  
ज़माने की हर शै, मैं पा जाऊँ

तेरी मेरी कुरबत को कैसे लखूँ, माँ!  
जसिकी शदिदत मुझे ही ना मालूम  
भावों में यूँ बह रहा हूँ आज  
रोकूँ तो कैसे रोकूँ कलम को  
हर आलम-ए-तनहाई में  
हर उस शकिसतापाई में  
तुम मेरी पासबाँ बन के आई हो  
दल्लिंदमिग पर यूँ छाई हो  
जाता हूँ जहाँ, तेरी छाया साथ आती है  
हर बला आने से पहले ही मुख मोड़ जाती है

तेरी दुआओं का असर  
हुआ कुछ इस कदर  
खुदा खुद ही लगा मंज़िलों से मिलाने में  
इस शीत ऋतु में भी बगिया सजाने में

माँ! तेरी तफसील तो क्या ही हूँ  
तेरे त्याग की उपमा भी क्या ही लखूँ  
नमन करता हूँ मैं, तेरे इस त्याग को  
तेरा तुझसे है जो, उस बैराग को  
चाहता हूँ हर जन्म में तू ही मेरी माँ हो  
तू ही मेरी राहगुज़र तू ही रहनुमाँ हो  
"अनुराग"

## Convener's Speak



Dr. Baljeet Kaur

The mentor of the NSS team, Dr. Baljeet Kaur, is delighted with the performance of her team and proud to be a part of this highly motivated group. She talks about her experiences and how this year NSS organised great events.

Here are the excerpts from the conversation:

NSS is the largest society of our college, with over 600 volunteers. How has this year been for you as the mentor of the team?

The team is very proficient and the members are sensitive to the social causes. They know how to organize initiatives and work together. They're working hard and I guide them.

You have been organizing some great events. You had the seminar on organ and blood donation, the padhaku camp, how does it feel to see the team performing so well?

There's a lot more, like we have active work in the

other wings. We have Padhaku where we teach children, we also sensitize them towards their social responsibilities. We had the Diwali mela. Also, we had invited a theatre group to put up a play on transgender sensitization. Our team had recently visited a school for special children. So we aim to go beyond the set norms to make a difference.

What according to you takes to be a member of the NSS team? Any message to those who aspire to work for the society?

You have the most valuable thing is time. You need time to develop a sense of commitment and empathy. The NSS team boasts of confident yet highly disciplined students.

## GRAVITATIONAL WAVES: A New Spectrum

By: Mohit Khurana  
Physics (H.) III

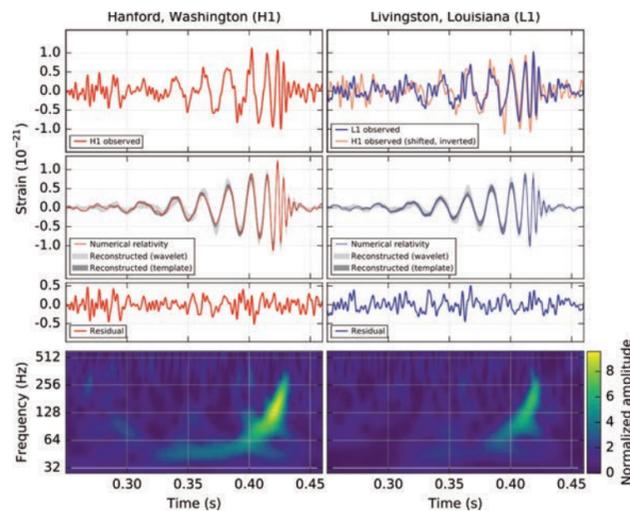
In 1916, Einstein completed General Theory of Relativity and predicted the existence of gravitational waves due to invariance of Lorentz transformation whose consequences is the existence of ripples in the curvature of space-time which propagate as waves, travels outward from source with a finite speed were called as Gravitational waves. These waves transport energy as gravitational radiation. In General theory of Relativity, the mass in space causes the bending of space-time curvature, higher the mass higher is the bending. As objects with mass move around in space-time, the curvature changes to reflect the changed locations of those object. An accelerating objects generate changes in this curvature, which propagate outwards at the speed of light in a wave-like manner. This is origin of gravitational waves.

Due to very small amplitude of these waves which are produced all around, it is very difficult to detect them. To detect them, we need big stars to produce distortions or gravitational waves. Before 1.3 Billion years, 1.3 Billion light-years far away two black holes collided and came together merge to form a single black hole and produced gravitational waves of large amplitude, it travels outward to whole space, passes through stars, matter, stars, and eventually gets to Earth. A huge amount of energy was released and what we measured was very small, which was left.

As a gravitational wave passes an observer, that observer will find space-time distorted by the effects of strain. Distances between objects increase and decrease rhythmically as the wave passes, at a frequency corresponding to that of the wave. This occurs despite such free objects never being subjected to an unbalanced force. These waves were detected by Laser Interferometer Gravitational-wave Observatory (LIGO). In fact, by the time gravitational waves reach LIGO's detectors, the amount of space-time movement they will generate is thousands of times smaller than an atomic nucleus! Due to the astronomical distances to these sources, the effects when measured on Earth are predicted to be very small, having strains of less than 1 part in  $10^{20}$ .

Earlier, Scientists demonstrated the existence of these waves with ever more sensitive detectors. The most sensitive detector accomplished the task possessing a sensitivity measurement of about one part in  $5 \times 10^{22}$  (as of 2012) provided by the LIGO and VIRGO observatories. Various gravitational-wave observatories (detectors) were in operation, such as

Advanced LIGO which began observations in September 2015. The gravitational waves were detected on September 14, 2015 at 09:51 UTC by both of the twin LIGO detectors, located in Livingston, Louisiana, and Hanford, Washington, USA. On February 11, 2016, the LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration teams announced that they had made first observation of gravitational waves, originating from a pair of



Picture taken from: PhysRevLett.116.061102

merging black holes using the Advanced LIGO detectors. The discovery, accepted for publication in the journal Physical Review Letters, was made by the LIGO Scientific Collaboration and the Virgo Collaboration using data from the two LIGO detectors.

At each observatory, the two-and-a-half-mile (4-km) long L-shaped LIGO interferometer uses laser light split into two beams that travel back and forth down the arms (four-foot diameter tubes kept under a near-perfect

vacuum). The beams are used to monitor the distance between mirrors precisely positioned at the ends of the arms. Distance between the mirrors will change by an infinitesimal amount when a gravitational wave passes by the detector. A change in the lengths of the arms smaller than one-ten-thousandth the diameter of a proton ( $10^{-19}$  m) can be detected.

Gravitational waves penetrate regions of space that electromagnetic waves cannot. Comparatively speaking, phenomenon of Gravitational waves is similar to Electromagnetic waves. As light carries information about its source, so does the gravitational waves, it opens a new field in Astronomy. It is hypothesized that they will be able to provide observers on Earth with information about black holes and other exotic objects in the distant Universe. Such systems cannot be observed with more traditional means such as optical telescopes or radio telescopes, and so gravitational-wave astronomy gives new insights into the working of the Universe. In particular, gravitational waves could be of interest to cosmologists as they offer a possible way of observing the very early Universe. This is not possible with conventional astronomy, since before recombination the Universe was opaque to electromagnetic radiation till the 3,60,000 years after the big bang. By studying gravitational waves, scientists will be able to discern what happened at the initial singularity. New surprises are expected by Physicists when they will probe more in to this field of Astronomy. What we were not able to see in past now we will be able to see through Gravitational waves, a new Spectrum, new images of Universe, new observations will be probed.

Toward this end, the LIGO Laboratory is working closely with scientists in India at the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics, the Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology, and the Institute for Plasma to establish a third Advanced LIGO detector on the Indian subcontinent. Awaiting approval by the government of India, it could be operational early in the next decade. The additional detector will greatly improve the ability of the global detector network to localize gravitational-wave sources.

References:  
1. Wikipedia, 2. PhyRevLett.116.061102.

## DASTAAN- E- J.N.U

By: Rajat Yadav  
B.Com (H.) I

JNU debate has pretty much consumed everyone by now. It has been the hot topic in every home for the past few weeks. From Sitaram Yechury and Arvind Kejriwal to Anupam Kher everyone has openly expressed their opinion on this issue. Arnab Goswami went a step further and dedicated his prime-time news program, The Newshour Debate, to calling JNU students anti-national. So what really happened in JNU that it is causing so much outrage among the political parties and common people.

A case of sedition was filed against unknown persons for allegedly shouting "anti-India" slogans inside the JNU campus during an event on Afzal Guru, the organisers of the event have distanced themselves from the controversy. The students who were part of the committee that organised an event to mark the death anniversary of Afzal Guru said that none of them were part of the group that was shouting slogans. JNU Students Union president Kanhaiya Kumar was arrested on sedition charges after allegations of 'anti-national' sloganeering against him surfaced. He was ordered to three days of police custody. Students of JNU gave a shutdown call, saying that they will not allow classes to be held on the campus till students' union president Kanhaiya Kumar was released. JNU teachers too, joined the students in boycotting classes. On February 14, the Patiala House courts witnessed violence as a mob, wearing lawyer's robe, slapped and kicked supporters of Kanhaiya Kumar. Congress vice-president Rahul Gandhi criticised the BJP government, accusing it of "bullying" the prestigious institution. Few days later court in New Delhi ordered release of the JNUSU president from the Tihar jail in the sedition case. Addressing a huge gathering of students on the campus, soon after release from Tihar Jail, Mr. Kumar said: "It is not azadi from India, it is azadi in India [we want]... from the corrupt practices that are going on inside the country." Kanhaiya Kumar made his fiery speech at the same place where he had addressed students just a day before his arrest.

This is a controversial topic. Everyone has different opinion on this issue, but was calling Afzal Guru a martyr right. If you had evidence that proved his innocence regarding Parliament attack, but still that would not make him a martyr. Let us also keep in mind that this is the same judiciary that gave a fair trial to Azmal Kasab who was caught on camera with a gun in his hand killing innocent civilians in Mumbai. So it is highly unlikely that court will give out a death sentence unless there is concrete proof for the same. An event was also organized to remember the "martyr" Afzal Guru, who had planned the attack on India's lower house. Isn't this ironical? "You can raise slogans against anyone if you are angry with any government. But you don't have the right to play with the unity of the country. No question arises of pardoning them," said Anupam Kher. Also remember that the attack on Kanhaiya, while he was taken to court was also not at all excusable.

The freedom of speech is a fundamental right of every citizen of this democracy. But using it for sedition or the propagation of violence would be rightfully opposed by any democracy in the world. In a country which desperately tried to give its citizens a peaceful and safe life in the wake of a proxy war from Pakistan, internal tensions as well as new threats like ISIS recruitments, taking strict action against anyone who openly talks about breaking the country to pieces is the most rational way to go.

We want the "Azaadi" that you want too- from casteism, poverty and discrimination. And in that fight, the people of the country will always be by your side.

## Misdeeds in Metro

By: Shivam Bhawlia  
B.Com (H.) II

With decadence thrown to a whole new level since the term had been coined, the ruffian Delhi commuters have proved that they were, are and will continue to be a hooligan bunch regardless of the place they are present or the people surrounding them. Many people experience these embarrassing-cum-infuriating acts yet nobody, including me, tries to put them to an end.

One commuter, while plying, pees at the entrance of a coach as he couldn't control the pressure any longer while another is flouting the code of ethical conduct.

One, who is, in particular, an ultra-affectionate, is publicly expressing his constant adoration and enjoying a lip-lock with his nympho whereas the other one while nestling has been caressing his callipygian gf for a couple of minutes (witnessed personally).

*Yeh to sirf trailer hain, picture abhi baaki hain mere dost.*

Once, I was with my friend Hitesh Verma travelling in the yellow line metro awaiting a vacant seat. Nearby, was a couple standing with a cold drink bottle; both of them resembled literate personalities. Abruptly the guy began churning the bottle and, in defiance of knowing the consequence of the preposterous act, lifted the cap, and defiled the floor of the compartment. And this brought, along with everybody, a giggle to the their faces, which annoyed a senior man sitting nearby, who too did nothing but kept quiet initially as though nothing had happened. I got it because of his evident expression, and when rather than sanitizing it, the couple tried to shun, he ultimately broke his silence and admonished them to clean the place.

"Why and who are you?" came a curt reply from girl, and the reverent answered, "I am no one, kindly clean it". We all know that you've advertently done it, he added. "We aren't gonna do that at all", the boy who I termed as literate initially, expressed these words with complete illiteracy. The urger tolerably said again, "I am just asking you to please clean it, please" and again came a 'no' from the couple. This made the tranquil man say 'please' thrice. The man placidly said, "This isn't a good conduct to exhibit or is it? You must act according to the place you are present in. Literate people don't act like this or do they?" However the couple was bent on despite these lines by the 'real' educated and tactful man. Following that when 3-4 passengers came into the picture with their own arguments the couple had to bend on their will. They yielded and cleaned it by a newspaper, yet look at the height of turpitude, the girl insisted on throwing that newspaper in the coach itself, she might've felt that they were besieged and besmirched. However, in my opinion that wasn't abasement rather an adequate comeuppance for their misdeed.

Wait, the unceasing metro of misdeeds hasn't yet reached its terminus yet. A rustic commuter, sitting on the dense rubber floor over the joint that concatenates two compartments, serves as an interior impediment to the commuters attempting to move between coaches and that eyed-hindrance has persistently been disregarding the discomfort caused to passengers. That's again the height of turpitude, isn't that?

One seldom witnesses commuters lining-up and awaiting metros to ply. And at the Kashmiri Gate & Rajiv Chowk Stations for the metros destined to either terminate at Huda City Centre or Jahangiri Puri, I bet you guys that even the worst of words will be incompetent to describe the sight and you will need to request the lexicographers to come up with a neologism to describe the condition.



One, particularly a moralist may find these wicked acts infuriating and not in accord to the ethics. Even I also wish to carry out a camisado and treat them in the same manner they had treated the metro while plying. Kindly do not create a mal-perception now that while camisado I would kiss that guy as he also was locking his lips. In case a virtuous person shows courage and makes an essay to ask them to cease what shit they have been engaged in, the only thing he gets in return is an offhand point-blank reply. "Hey, don't poke your nose in my/our business", "Excuse me, who the hell you are asking us to do as you say?", "Mind your own business... Okay???", among various others.

These acts that may be immensely unpleasant to our eyeballs, apologies, definitely they are, yet we are inactively awaiting a re-incarnation of Gandhi Ji or Hygieia who'll board the yellow line and teach these people lessons of significance of ethical and decent conduct and sanitation.

Okay, let's get back to the very first act of the disparagement, when a person caught his co-passenger on camera and handed over the accusatory clip to DMRC, all that it did was 'nothing', and merely assure him of proper investigation of the act and the veracity of accusation. When the recorder asked him why he is peeing in metro, he replied calmly "bhैया majboori thi, kya karta?". What a reasonable reply. Co-passenger then gave the reprobate a few reproachful lines. And seriously, it is worth viewing how these passengers absquatulate the metro as though they were merely commuting by conforming to the moral and the ethical principles.

## SAMAGAM



Major General GD Bakshi

Miss Santosh Yadav

On 1st and 2nd of March, 2016 Hans Raj College witnessed the most extravagant event of the year by the name 'SAMAGAM'. It commenced with an enlightening speech by Principal Dr. Rama. The annual youth conference which had the benign presence of celebrated speakers across the country who captivated the audience with their inspirational speeches amongst which Major General GD Bakshi and Santosh Yadav were show stealers. GD Bakshi is a veteran of many skirmishes on the Line Of Control and of counter terrorist operations in Jammu and Kashmir. He delivered an inspirational speech on nationalist ideas and how India instead of being so diversified, is united as a country. An-

other motivational speaker Miss Santosh Yadav who is the first woman in the world to climb the Mount Everest twice also gave a remarkable speech and shared her experience of the various mountain expeditions. Other eminent personalities such as Prafulla Ketkar, RJ Heena etc. also shared their lifetime experiences and the ordeals they had gone through in order to succeed in life. The students were inspired and learnt how righteousness and virtue, hard work and willpower could lead to excellence. In a nutshell 'SAMAGAM' was a huge success and will surely rule the hearts of people in the coming years.

## CRICKET TOURNAMENT- B.COM(H) SEIZES THE TROPHY

Hans Raj College witnessed for the very first time an Inter-Departmental Cricket Tournament. The matches were played between all the 18 departments of the college. The tournament kicked off on 8th February and was marked by the gracious presence of our honourable principal Dr. Rama, Dr. M.P. Sharma and Dr. Gaurav, Department of Physical Education. The first day of the tournament featured two matches played between B.A. Program vs. Geology and Computer Science vs Life Science. The teams which qualified for the quarterfinal were as follows: English, Mathematics, B.Com, Sanskrit, Physics, Hindi, Economics, and Zoology. All the quarterfinal matches turned out to be quite interesting with finally four teams making it into semi-finals vis. B.Com, Mathematics, Economics and Hindi. In the first semi-final, B.Com played against Mathematics and



won by a comfortable margin of 30 runs whereas in the second semi-final Economics played against Hindi and won by 7 wickets making it to the finals. The final was played on 23rd February between B.com & Economics. Economics won the Toss and choose to Bat first. They posted target of 129/6 in 15 overs, Adnan being the top scorer for Economics scoring 53 runs. B.Com chased down the target of 130 in 11 overs, Ayushmaan being the top scorer with 84\* of just 36 balls including 8 fours & 7 sixes. All the teams played with great

zeal and exhibited fair play. The various departments also showed great interests in all the matches with huge number of students gathering in the playground and cheering for their respective teams. The match officials comprised of Yogesh, Nitin, Amit Kumar, Manash, Sahil, Sunil & Paarth. The organising committee comprising of Akash Singh, Ankit Yadav, Gaurishankar and Raman-deep under the guidance of Dr. M.P. Sharma & Dr. Gaurav played a huge role in making the tournament a huge success.

## SPIC MACAY



Culture is a very powerful medium that can evoke so many emotions without the help of words. Sad, happy, worry and many other numerous feelings can drive the message seemingly. The volunteers of SPIC MACAY Hans Raj chapter have been to various international conventions, the recent being held at IIT Mumbai and IIT Roorkee had 3 and 8 participants respectively from the society. These conventions proved to be an experience of a lifetime and generated a unique interest in the beautiful art forms of India.

As a consequence, the number of volunteers increased to 58 this year in comparison to 27 last year. Also, the society organized a cinema classics event CHALCHITRA on 13th February 2016 where 'The making of the Mahatma' by Shyam Benegal was screened in the college. The society stays true to its mission, that is, to have every person experience the inspiration and mysticism embodied in Indian and World heritage. In the future, the society aims at more wonderful opportunities and huge participation by the students.

## WAVES OF LAUGHTER



For the first time a one of a kind Laughter Party event was organised in the premises of Hans Raj College on 17th February 2016, in the college auditorium. It received a huge footfall and the credit goes to a team of 25 led by Manik, Ayushi and Himanshu who were in charge of this event. "Initially no one was willing to take a risk of sponsoring such an event but in the end it all turned a grand success" said Harshita, member of the organising committee. "The event commenced with the lighting of the lamp by our honourable principal Dr. Rama, Mr. Krishan

Sachdeva and star comedian Akash Gupta followed by the mesmerising performances by The Ash Daniel Projekt and the Rising star group of Shyam Lal College. The stand-up act by Aakash Gupta entertained everyone with his wit and gags. He focussed his act on his Punjabi friends, unrealistic songs and difficulties of having over-caring parents. The event ended with performances by Karan and Oorja dance society and the laughter party team presented mementos to all the performers as a token of gratitude.

## HANS RAJ GIRLS TRIUMPH SHINES IN BADMINTON



Hans Raj college hosted an inter-department badminton tournament for girls which was organized by department of Physical Education and the sports Science on 25th February 2016. Fourteen departments actively took part in this extravaganza. The round of the tournament was played between B. Com (H.) and Electronics. Both of the female players had put in a lot of effort and played wholeheartedly B. Com (H.) was declared as the winner of the first round. Eight teams made to the quarter-finals amongst which four teams were chosen for semifinals which comprised of Botany v/s. Computer Science and B.Com vs. Mathematics. Each match consisted of a single set of 21 points. The final match was played between computer science and B.com(H) which was

held on 3rd March 2016. Computer science defeated B. Com (H.) in the finals by a score of 15-3 and 15-5 in a match consisting of three sets of 15. The Computer Science bagged the winner trophy and B. Com (H.) was declared as the runner-up. The students expressed their deepest gratitude to principal and the management committee without whose constant support and dedication this event would not have been a success. This tournament provided a massive platform for the female players. They had exhilarated sportsmanship skills and also how team spirit and unity could lead to greater good. It was a learning process for all the students and also they learnt various life lessons which will help them to achieve excellence in all their endeavors.

## CAT 15 / 16

**OUTDATED**  
Old Style Coaching  
or  
**ADAPTIVE**  
Preparation?

**mbaguru**  
Leader in  
ADAPTIVE PREPARATION  
for CAT

**7 times more powerful than old style / traditional CAT coaching**

CP: 43528138/43592857 ■ North Campus: 42466908  
■ Rajouri: 45130413 ■ Pitampura: 42470957  
■ East Delhi: 42487481 ■ NOIDA: 4243488  
[www.mbaguru.in](http://www.mbaguru.in)

## A DIFFERENT SHADE OF LOVE NSS LOVE WEEK

NSS Hans Raj celebrated the Love Week spreading happiness and affection. The event spanned from 5th to 13th February 2016. The Gandhi Fellowship seminar, which aimed to help young people to develop leadership skills marked the start of the event. It was followed by a visit to Prabha School for Autistic children near Paharganj and a Cattle and stray Animals Feeding drive as well as awareness regarding transgender, which

was shown by a play "Tera Koi Rang Nahin". Extending a loving hand to the people affected with leprosy, a seminar on Organ Donation and Blood Donation Campaign was organised. The program was concluded with a trip for Padhaku students to the Delhi Zoo. It was an immensely enjoyable and knowledgeable trip and the kids returned with a blissful smile on their face. Fascinating, indeed!



## BLOOD CONNECT



BloodConnect is a student run organisation and whose aim is to provide a 360° solution to the problem of blood shortage in India. The organisation provides free help and primarily focusses on the poor and the needy. Since its establishment, the organisation has grown bounds and leaps a lot in terms of working for this cause. The organisation basically works in three domains:

- 1) Organising camps: To ensure continuous and sufficient supply to the blood banks.
- 2) Awareness Sessions: Organises inform-

ative talks, street plays, competitions, etc. 3) Helpline: Operates 24x7 helpline to find donors for those in dire need.

In recent times, the BloodConnect team of Hansraj college organised a blood donation camp in collaboration with the Indian Red Cross Society and the NSS society on 11th February '16 during the "Love week". The camp observed a total of 44 blood donations which is equivalent to saving 132 lives. What featured this camp apart from the other donation camps was the fact that it was thematic and had a personal touch to it. The personal satisfac-

tion and the happiness after donation could be seen on the face of each donor. Students were seen leaving motivating messages encouraging youth to come forward and contribute their bit to the noble cause.

The team also organised an awareness session on 23rd February and played "Catchphrase" with several participants. It was an innovative way to raise awareness among the youth about the benefits of blood donation and a perfect opportunity to clear away some of the prominent myths related to blood donation.

## WORKSHOP ON X-RAY DIFFRACTION



The Physics and Electronics Department of Hans Raj College organised a two-day workshop on "Characterisation of Materials by X-Ray Diffraction(XRD)". The aim of the workshop was to enrich students with nuances of Solid State Physics like Basic Crystal Structures and Experimental Techniques like XRD. The workshop was conducted on 23rd and 24th Feb'16 with a success. The workshop was really beneficial for those students who aspire to be Experimental Condensed Matter Physicists in the future. The workshop was organised for students pursuing graduation in Physics, Chemistry and Material Science. Also, students from outside colleges were invited. The first day started with the registration process followed by the inauguration which was addressed by Dr. Rama, Principal, Hans Raj College and with her blessings the work-

shop took its way and conducted two lectures on 'Crystal Structure' and 'Intro to XRD' which were delivered by eminent and experienced Profs. came from different esteemed Universities. Also, the students were given refreshment, lunch and marked the end of first day with tea.

Second day started with "The Hands on Analysis of XRD Data". Students were taken to computer lab where they learnt a software program to study XRD data and then lunch and tea were provided. In the afternoon session, a visit to USIC, DU North Campus was organised where the Research Scholars showed XRD Machine and explained the XRD experimental techniques. The workshop was successful and the teachers worked painstakingly hard to elevate the workshop to its peak. The dedication of teachers reputed the success of event.

## HUES OF HARDWORK - IPCC ELITES

If you have a dream, don't just sit there. Gather courage to believe that you can succeed and leave no stone unturned to make it a reality. It is a matter of immense pride that six students of Hansraj College successfully cleared their IPCC in the November exam held last year. Himanshu Nagpal, Chetan Goyal, Yashwardhan, Kartik Bansal (right to left in photo) defied all difficulties and achieved what is, the beginning of many great things to come. "Something easy to achieve isn't worth achieving. Any journey one may take, challenges are deemed to appear", says Kartik Bansal when asked about his journey. The compassion for finance is what motivated our young achievers to enter this profession. Sheer hard work and consistency is what makes you succeed in this course. A perfect balance is required between coaching, college and self-study time is most important while planning and executing your journey. When asked about the time devoted to coaching and class, Abhishek Bharti crisply sums up, "I devoted equal time on both, say in the proportion of 3:2". They all admit that there came a time when they felt disheartened and



brims with academic excellence and college helps to grow holistically. Like Himanshu Nagpal says, "CA teaches you what college can't, and college teaches you what CA can't". All our achievers are active members of many societies.

One tip that Chetan Goyal gives to all those preparing for IPCC is, "to believe in yourself and be always motivated". All of them are planning to complete their college and then they'll look out for articleship. Kartik Bansal adequately sums up, "you need to love this course and should be proud to pursue it". We wish them luck for their future endeavors. May they continue to make us proud and their spark to achieve big is forever ignited. \

directionless. But a strong mind and will power of oneself is what helps to sail your boat through the storm.

While one can pursue CA as soon as they completed their school, they chose to go to college. College offers an invaluable exposure which academics alone cannot offer you. CA

CA IPCC Nov 2015 rank holders:

- Himanshu Nagpal - 9**
- Yashwardhan - 20**
- Chetan Goyal - 22**
- Abhishek Bharti - 25**
- Kartik Bansal - 42**
- Yashvijay - 47**

## EFFICACY TESTS AND SOIL BORNE PATHOGENS



Fungi are one of the most important groups of organisms on the planet. This is easy to overlook, given their largely hidden actions and growth. They find importance in a wide range of fields like Food, Medicine, Biocontrol, Crop Disease and Food Spoilage.

A one-day seminar was organised by the botanical Society BOTANIQUE on 26th February, 2016 in the Seminar hall, Hans Raj college on efficacy tests of chemicals and non chemicals against major soil borne pathogens by Dr. Shrishail S. Navi, from Department of Plant Pathology and Microbiology, College of agriculture and life Science, Iowa State University of Science and Technology, AMES, USA. It was coordinated by Dr.

Romila Rawat and chaired by Dr. Monika Kaul, H.O.D Botany Department.

The seminar was attended by the experts from different fields of botany who shared their views on the core issues related to data science. The most interesting thing about the seminar was that the information presented was on Fungicides and Major soil borne diseases. The seminar focused on fungi like *Fusarium virguliforme*, *Pythium*, *Rhizochonia*, *Sclerotinia sclerotiorum*, mycoparasitism of pathogen and bio control agents. In the end, after the lecture, took place the question and answer session among the staff, students and the guest of honour.

## BIG FAT PLACEMENT THEORY- ADITAI PURI

In conversation with the former president of The Economics Society of Hans Raj College and the co-ordinator of the college placement cell, Aditai Puri shares with us his version of the big fat placement theory and what it takes to glide across interviews and ace the spot!

Presently he is successfully placed at McKinsey and Company as a Business Analyst. Being a final year student he had planned to set all his eggs in one basket by skipping preparations for management and B-school entrance examinations and sit for off and on campus placements although he got ISB. He agrees that he had been nervous initially since he had almost no back-up plan as is the case for most of us who are novices when it comes to big names coming to our campuses for recruitment. He sat for one on campus interview with Bain (2) followed by three off campus interviews with McKinsey and Co.(4), AT Kearney (4) and BCG(2). Also he adds the number of interviews along with the type and degree of criticality might vary person to person and from one company to another like McKinsey has a CV shortlist round followed by a problem solving test (PST) which is non eliminative but yet evaluative. Finally comes the round of personal interviews with associate partners, directors and partners. As for charting out how to de-



Aditai Puri

liver the best, Aditai always urged his friends to take mock interviews and asked them for their honest criticisms that helped him to better his chances.

Summing up on the company's side as to what they look for initially, he says mainly they need people with strong leadership skills, good work experience in terms of internships and consistent academic performance. Later, they go on to evaluate on whether one is fit for the role the company is offering and their work culture. Aditai goes on to suggest that one should know his resume very well and that he or she should be completely honest in their answers. One should keep his calm and give his best shot!

**All the Best!**

## ACM-ICPC ACHIEVEMENT



Shobhit Agrawal, Manikaran Kathuria, Prateek Saigal of B.Tech Computer Science, Hans Raj College participated in ACM-ICPC Amritapuri and finished All India rank 182.

ACM-ICPC is India's biggest coding competition. Around 5000 teams from all across the country participated in the event. Regionals took place at Coimbatore, Amritapuri, Bangalore and Chennai where they achieved first position in Delhi University. This is the first time a team qualified for regionals from Hans Raj College.

## K.D. CAMPUS - VISION TO REALITY

Encouragement in a guided way can bring about miracles. K.D. Campus took the initiative and organised a remarkable encouragement programme for the Hans Raj College students in the college premises on 13th of February. The programme focussed to provide a ray of guidance to the students to opt a decision for their career. A lecture session was held by Neetu Singh, a renowned educationist and author. The enlightening words of Ms. Neetu inspired the galore of pupils attending the session. "There is no substitute to hard work and hard work accompanied by smart work is the key to excellence in the present world" were the words that evoked enthusiasm and vigour in the attendees. She mentioned that the institute set extremely tough targets of impeccable quality, arduous level of honest delivery in classrooms and regularly updated writing materials. The session marked its end with a hope to turn the students vision into reality.



Fashion is the one of the most powerful art to express yourself, to show the kind of person you are, to convey your likes and dislikes, all just with a simple accessory or piece. Today designers spend a lot of time and their creativity on the garments that they exhibit season after season. Summing it up, fashion is a daily way to embrace art and express your inner personality through your attire.

Not only does fashion exist in the appearances, but also in the ideas which we live. It is always a mirror of the society. History reveals us that the value of a period can be depicted by the sense of fashion prevalent during the period.

Fashion is the most lucrative key word for present teenagers. The bags they carry the watches they wear and the way they present themselves involves so much of fashion. The teenagers have a craving interest for the changing trend. In fact they can be good trendsetters themselves.

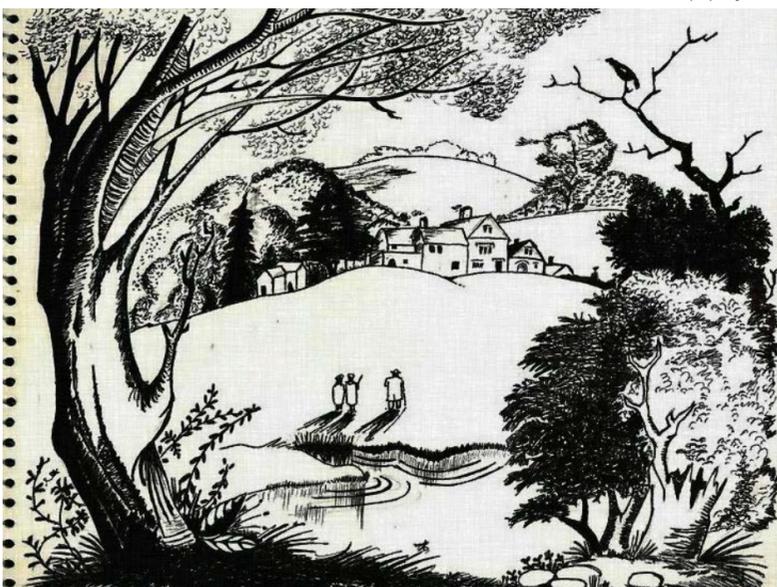
North Campus has always been known for its fashion trends. Students try to flaunt themselves with the latest trends on the streets. The appetite for the new trends are fed by Kamla Nagar market. Situated next to the North Campus of Delhi University, it is a lively market and a popular hang-out for the college students. It is most famous for distinguished fashion brands and spicy street foods. Kamla Nagar has now converted into a ladies high street shopping center where one caters the need for western as well as ethnic clothing, along with the fun of street-bargaining.

Fashion, in its own, is a field of exploration. The more you explore the more trendy you become. This voyage of exploration meets ends by the oceans of stores in the market. The hustle bustle of the market houses one of the most trendy shops in the vicinity- "G-9 TEEN". This house of fashionista deals in all types of shopping needs of the time. The shop displays the most recent fashion signatures which leave the buyers merrily satisfied. "THE JOY OF DRESSING IS AN ART"-the fashion store proves it ethically with its extravagant collections.

## ARTWORKS



By- Dharna Saini  
Mathematics(H), I year



By- Puneet Singh Bhela  
B.Com(H), III year

Published by **VISION SOCIETY**  
Convener: Mr. Brij Mohan Vatsal (9711216414)  
www.brijmohan.in , bmvvatshal@gmail.com

### Food Review :

# The Sid's KITCHEN

Our taste buds this month take us to the very homely yet forever buzzing Sid's Kitchen. Sid's Kitchen is one of those few restaurants that provide you utterly delicious food at unbelievably reason-

able prices. Situated in the heart of the Kamla Nagar market, it enjoys just the perfect location. The warm ambience and peppy bollywood songs make your meal a perfect one. The menu offers dishes from the North and South Indian cuisines. We tried the *cocktail kebab* which were crispy and loaded with flavour. One dish to look out for here is the *dahi ke sholey*. Quite an innovative idea, I must say! The starters

were followed by the traditional Indian Thali, which served *dal makhni, paneer butter masala, mixed vegetable, jeera rice, tandoori roti* and a *green chutney*

to die for! Among the South Indian delights, the *Masala Paneer dosa* is a must try. It comes with *sambhar, coconut chutney* and an utterly delicious *onion-tomato chutney*. The *sambhar* is

packed with great flavour which is perfectly balanced by the sweetness of the coconut chutney.

Overall the food is flavoursome and the portions are good. The dishes look appealing and the service is quick. Although the restaurant serves only vegetarian food, it is a place all must try. The owner says that anyone who comes to their restaurant is an earned customer.

The great food combined with the comfortable ambience

help Sid's Kitchen edge past its contemporaries and make it the perfect little place for us students to delve into.





## KD Campus

*Charity First*

### Excellent Quality at Less fee

**Coaching Available for**

*For all Competitive & Entrance exams.*

सरकारी नौकरी, उच्च पद और मान,  
अब पाना हुआ बेहद आसान

			
Impeccable Teaching in Conducive atmosphere	Interview guidance by Ex. Chief of SSC Mr. Raghupathy,	Available in both Hindi & English	Weekly offline Mock Test & Online App.

### Equipped with android app & online live Classes

*A fixed amount per admission is donated to  
KD Singh Memorial Foundation  
for Charity and welfare of underprivileged.*

A Venture  
by  
**Neetu Singh**  
**Renowned Educationist & Author**

**Head Office:** 2007, Outram lines, Opp. Mukherjee Nagar Police Station, Delhi-110009

**Branches at :** ★ GTB. Nagar ★ Mukherjee Nagar ★ Uttam Nagar  
★ Badarpur ★ Ghaziabad ★ Hisar ★ Bulandshahr  
★ Munirka ★ Jaipur ★ Patna ★ Rohtak ★ Allahabad

**Contact:-** 09555108888, 09555208888, 09555308888, 09555408888