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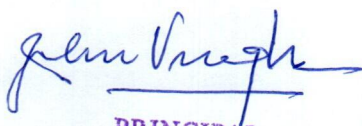
1.3.1 Details of Morning Assembly, Religious Studies Classes, Chapel Activities and 'Engaging with Unequal India'





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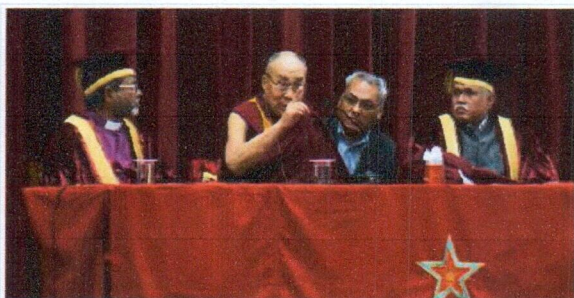

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IMPORTANT CEREMONIES

Morning Assemblies, conducted from Mondays through Thursdays throughout the year, are unique to St. Stephen's. Generations of Stephanians have found this to be a cementing factor of the College fraternity and a guiding light in the journey of their life. All first-year Junior Members are required to attend the morning assembly. Attendance at assemblies is treated as a significant index to the attitude of a student and, hence, s/he is given due weightage for various purposes that include continuation of stay in residence and College bursaries. All Junior Members are, likewise, expected to attend the important functions and ceremonies in the College, the foremost among these being



the death anniversary of Rev Samuel Scott Allnutt the first Principal of the College, on 7th December which is observed as Founders Day.

Another important tradition of St. Stephen's College is the Rudra Dinner. Introduced by former Principal, Susil Kumar Rudra, to commemorate the

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requirement, every student must perform satisfactorily at all oral and/or written assignments/tutorials/tests that may be held during the academic year.

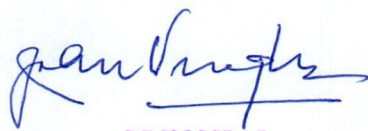
Junior Members are expected to dress and conduct themselves in a dignified manner when they attend lectures, tutorials and practicals, eat in the College Mess/Café or are in the library. Speaking in a moderate voice, keeping silence in quiet zones such as the library and main corridors and being generally regardful of fellow Junior Members, faculty and karamcharis in all the College spaces is standard behavior practiced by all Stephanians.

All first-year Junior Members are required to attend the Assembly which is held each morning from Monday to Thursday at 9 AM. Attendance is marked at the assemblies and the record of it is considered as an important parameter for awarding scholarships and prizes. All first-year Christian Junior Members are required to attend the classes for Religious Studies held every Friday.]

Smoking is strictly prohibited on the College campus.

Junior Members who invite disciplinary action against them will not eligible for special recognition from college. This recognition includes prizes, scholarships, financial assistance, nominations within the Junior Members' exchange programmes with foreign Universities, College colours and sports certificates.

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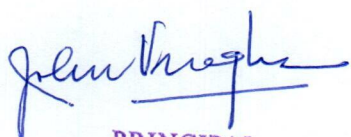
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Notice regarding Religious Studies Examination.

Religious Studies Programme Examination

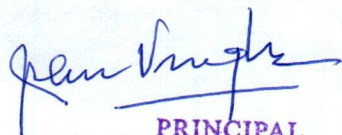
Request to Senior Members

The Religious Studies Programme examination for the junior members of the first year will be held on Friday 5th April 2019 from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm in the college dining hall.

I request you to kindly help us to do the invigilation and to mark the answer sheets.


Chaplain

Cc:
Principal


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Chapel Annual Reports

2016-17

St Stephen's College Report 2016/17

I am very happy to present the report of the activities organized to maintain the Christian character of the College during the academic year 2016/17. All these activities aimed to offer pastoral care and spiritual succour primarily for the junior members but also to senior members and college staff and were offered through the College Chaplaincy under the able guidance of Rev Dr Monodeep Daniel. In this endeavour we aimed to strengthen the Christian character of the community without becoming exclusive. Accordingly, the events welcomed those of other faiths or no faiths to its various events and programmes.

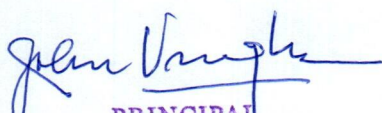
Farewell to Revd Valson Thampu and Installation of Prof John Varghese:

On 26th February 2016 the Senior Christian members held a farewell dinner for Revd Valson Thampu and on 29th February 2016 the chaplaincy organized a major Service to bid farewell to Revd Valson Thampu and Install Prof John Varghese as the new principal of the college. Thereafter about two hundred members of the college and other friends joined with him in a three kilometre walk to St Stephen's Hospital and joined in a farewell party hosted by Dr Sudhir Joseph, Director of St Stephen's Hospital, member of the Supreme Council and Treasurer of the Governing Body.

The Service-of-Farewell-and-Installation on 29th Feb involved composing a liturgy appropriate for the occasion. The liturgies for both the services were printed in booklet form with the hope that it would be cherished as a souvenir and find place in the archives.

Service for the commencement of the Academic Year:

The Service of Holy Communion was organized to commence the academic year of the college on 16th July 2016. More than four hundred people attended the service. These were not only the newly admitted students but also their parents and many others connected with the life of the college. Bishop Warris Masih, the Chair of the Supreme Council and the Governing Body of the College, presided over the Service. Thereafter all were invited for fellowship tea.


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Classes on Religious Studies:

Those enrolled in the first semester were required to attend the Religious Studies classes each Friday morning. The study was on the gospel of Saint Mark and the Sermon on the Mount. At the end of the academic year i.e. on 7th April 2017, the examination of Religious Studies was held which was well attended and Ms Susan Philip was selected for the Religious Studies Award for this academic year.

Effective Study Skills Seminar:

To help the students to cope with the academic demands a three-day programme from 6th to 8th September 2016 called "Effective Study Seminar" was organized under the aegis of the Chaplaincy. Mr Robin Patrick was the resource person for all the three days. It was encouraging to note that the participants were not only from St Stephen's College but also from many other colleges of the university notably Hindu College, Ramjas College, Hansraj College and Khalsa College. In all fifty students participated in it.

"Adoramus" A pre-Christmas Choral Celebration:

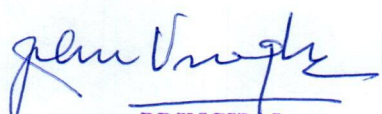
Mr Anand Mathew, a third year junior member, took the initiative to organize a pre-Christmas choral celebration on 6th November 2016 in the college. This event followed the pattern of the previous Christmas Carol Service which had a natural waning resulting from the rescheduling of academic calendar under the Semester System. This new initiative of the Delhi University ended the academic cycle of the first semester much earlier facilitating the student's community to disperse as early as the first week of December.

Choral Presentations of the college choir under the banner of "Adoramus" included a variety of hymns reflecting the liturgical seasons of advent, Christmas and also of Christian hope. Both senior and junior members participated in the College Choir.

Christian Staff Fellowship Meetings:

The Christian Staff Fellowship met regularly through the academic year. The meetings were held every month on various themes for discussions. Keeping in view the professional demands on time the meetings were held on Friday afternoon in the Principal's Office. The meetings which reinforced the fellowship and learning were led by several members.

Founder's Day Celebration:


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The Founder's Day Service was organized on 7th December 2016. This annual event of this institution began with a Service of Holy Communion in the College at 11 am where Revd Dr Paul Swarup delivered the Sermon on the occasion.

Memorial Service:

The Chaplain was invited to conduct the prayers at the condolence prayer meeting on 17th December 2016 for three junior members—Kenneth Jose, Anubhav Chandra and Aditya Patel—whose death during an excursion to Kerala on 16th December 2016 was tragic and a great loss to the family and the college. Later the academic results revealed that Anubhav had faired excellently and Aditya had topped the university in his subject.

Seminar on "Human Sexuality and the Bible":

The seminar on "Human Sexuality and the Bible" was organized on 5th March 2017 in the evening. More than 50 students participated in the seminar. There were students from other colleges also as it was open to other colleges. The seminary dealt with issues related to Christian marriage, sexual morality and emotional discipline. The question-answer session was interactive. The seminary ended with a fellowship tea.

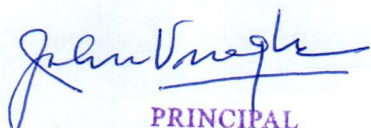
Ash-Wednesday and Lent Season:

Holy Communion was celebrated in the evening with imposition of ashes on 1st March to mark the beginning of Lent. The service was well attended. Thereafter a fifteen-minute midday prayer in the chapel was held each Wednesday through the six week of lent. We followed the liturgy of the Covenant Service. Many members found these to be meaningful and regularly came to it each week.

Holy Week Services:

The Holy Week started with the Palm Sunday Service on 9th April 2017. Each morning we had prayers and address on themes related to the life of Christ, the evening Communion on Maundy Thursday was followed by a community dinner which was attended by seventy young people. Good Friday Service was arranged in the morning from 8.30 am with the kissing of the cross and Easter morning service was at 6.30 am followed by community breakfast. More than fifty young people and senior members attended the service.

Screening of "Jesus Film":


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With a view to reach out to the young people of the University we screened "Jesus Film" on 12th April 2017 in the afternoon in the college hall. It was estimated that more than 170 young people from various colleges viewed the film and participated in the tea afterwards.

Visitors from Cambridge:

We were very happy to have Revd James Gordam and his wife Judith to visit us from Pembroke College, Cambridge. Revd Gordam is the Dean and Chaplain of Pembroke College and he graciously accepted our request to celebrate the morning Eucharist on a 23rd March, speak at the college assembly and preach on Sunday evening Service in the College Chapel.

Easter Community Lunch:

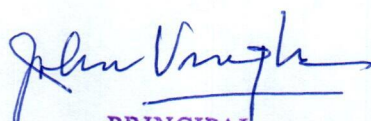
The Easter Monday Lunch has been gaining a very good response. In 2016 we had more than two hundred who registered for it but this year i.e., 2017 the registration for lunch was more than four hundred.

Conclusion:

As I place this report before you, I look upto to God with gratitude for the active and, I hope, fruitful year that we have had at College. I especially wish to place on record the excellent services rendered by our Chaplain, Rev Dr Monodeep Daniel to keep the Christian flag flying in the College. In all this Rev Daniel, I believe, has sought God's wisdom to be inclusive and welcoming but not flagrant. The aim was to strengthen the faith and confidence of the faithful in the Lord. Others who helped during the year were Revd Samuel John and Dr Renish Abraham. I am grateful to them as well. Many junior members who took interest and volunteered to organize the above events require our appreciation too. Along with them we had a good partnership with the Campus Crusade of Christ whose extensive network among the students of other colleges and Delhi University was very helpful to reach out to students at a wider scale.

Prof John Varghese

Principal


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2017-18

COLLEGE CHAPEL

REPORT 2017/18

THE CHAPEL which is geographically at the centre of the college campus is for the whole college community, whatever may be their intellectual convictions. Accordingly junior members did their personal prayers or silent meditation. The liturgies of the CNI Book-of-Worship were followed through the year.

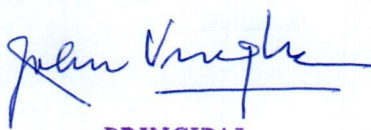
MINISTRY OF THE CHAPEL

Morning Prayers, Midweek Communion and Sunday communion were regularly done in the chapel. Efforts were made to help the young Christians learn traditional hymns. The value of these hymns lie in their theology and spiritual depth. The junior members and senior members were involved in the reading of the scripture in every Service and each Friday conducted the morning prayers.

Morning Prayer: This was held every 08 am every morning from Monday to Friday according to the CNI order of the Morning Worship. These Services were well attended by the junior members. Most of the days there were 15 to 20 and at the lowest there were 5 to 8. The Chaplain took the prayers each Monday morning, and a senior member on Tuesday, and junior members on Friday.

Midweek Communion: Every Thursday the communion i.e. The Order of the Lord's Supper according to the CNI, was celebrated in the morning. 30 to 35 people attended these Services. Both senior and junior members participated in it.

Sunday Communion: This is an evening service where the Lord's Supper is celebrated at full length with a sermon. 30 to 40 junior and senior members and guests regularly attended the Service. The chapel choir of junior members contributed with contemporary Christian songs with


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modern musical instruments during the ministry of the word. I am thankful to Revd Samuel John Shekher for help me through the year.

MINSITRY TO STUDENTS

Easter Lunch: The junior members enthusiastically organized the Easter lunch for the whole college community on 17th April 2017. More than 200 people participated in it. Not only did the college community attend the lunch but there were guests and friends from other colleges also.

Friendship Day: Along with the St. Stephen's College as a chaplaincy we made endeavours to reach out to students of other colleges. For this we organized a festive "Friendship Day" on Saturday 5th August 2018. More than two hundred students gathered in the college hall. Dr Paul Swarup was the main speaker.

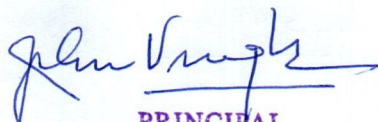
Retreat for Junior Members: A retreat for the junior members was organized on at the Earth Centre Dalhousie. It was a three-day programme. The first half of the day was dedicated to praise-and-worship, bible reflection and games. After lunch the film "The Son of God" was screened. Both Revd Monodeep and Revd Samuel John were present with the junior members throughout the day.

Sunday Service: On Sundays students from other university hostels joined us for the 06:00 pm Services. This indicates the need of many students for pastoral care in the university and other colleges around St. Stephen's College. The Sunday evening Service is the celebration of the Lord's Supper according to the *Liturgy of the Church of North India (CNI)*.

"What if God was One of Us": A special presentation was organized on 14th November 2017 for Bobby Cash, a well-known for contemporary Christian music. the speaker for the occasion was Dr Kethoser Kevoshusa of RZIM India. 200 students were present for the occasion.

Adoremus: Sacred Concert: on November 12th and 13th 2017 the junior members organized a grand concert of sacred music. The choir for the concert comprised of fifty male and female voices in addition to the musicians. We are grateful to Ms Angela Alex who was the precentor. More than 300 people came to this event.

Chapel Facebook Account: One way to reach out to the junior members of St. Stephen's College and of university was through the face-book. So an fb account was created in the name of St. Stephen's College Chapel. This has been an active place for many to interact and to place notices


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for the forthcoming events in the Chapel. Revd Samuel John has regularly posted his weekly meditations which were read by many. This is evident from the responses received on the fb post.

MINISTRY TO SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGE

Friday Christian Staff Meetings: The Christian staff meetings were held through the year. These meetings were mainly for the teaching and administrative staff which number about thirty, held in the afternoons and were well attended by the senior members. Discussions were initiated on various biblical themes.

Christian Staff Get-together: on 8th December 2017 a Common Service with fellowship tea was organized for the non-teaching Christian staff. The Service was held in the Chapel at 05:15 pm.

COLLEGE SERVICES


In the course of the year three college Services are held in the Chapel. These are on the occasions of the College Opening Day, the Founder's Day and the Dismissal. The Services were conducted by the Bishop of Delhi who is also the Chairman of the College Governing Body. As these Services were early in the morning, refreshments are served for all who attend it. The Opening Day as usual was the Service of the Lord's Supper according to the order of the CNI Book of Worship.

SOLEMNITIES AND FESTIVALS

Services for the Christian solemnities and festivals were held in the Chapel. Due to Semester system there is no presence of junior and senior members on the college campus for Christmas celebrations. Therefore, focus was on Holy Week and Easter. The Palm Sunday, holy week, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter were well attended. There were common refreshments after each of these events.

SPECIAL EVENTS

500th year of Protestant Reformation: "Ecclesia Semper Refromanda". On 21st October 2017 the 500th year anniversary marking the protestant reformation was celebrated in the College Hall. The event was presided by Most Revd Anil Couto, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Delhi. There


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were several speakers both from the protestant and catholic tradition. We are grateful for the UESI and the Campus Crusade for Christ for helping us to advertise the programme in other colleges.

New Hymn Books: A complete set of new English hymn books "Ancient and Modern" was procured from the ISPCK. It is used in the Morning Prayers and Sunday Evening Service regularly.

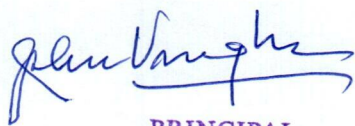
Torah Scrolls: With the initiative of Dr Boaz Johnson from US, a complete scroll of Torah was gifted to the College Achieves on 4th January 2918. The Scroll is originally used in a synagogue in Romania. Representative of the Abrahamic faith were invited to the ceremony. We had the Jewish Rabbi from New Delhi.

The senior members attended all the events of the chapel and encouraged the junior members to take forward their efforts to make chapel a relevant part of their life.

Religious Studies: Class for Religious Studies was held each Friday for the Christian students of the first year. This was done throughout the first two semesters. On 7th April 2017 the Annual Examination was conducted in which Amaya Philips won the prize.

At the end I thank all the junior and senior members to making this year successful and making the Chapel a lively place for the college community, particularly, Mr. Pathikrit Das who regularly helped in the liturgical celebrations and the whole College Chapel Choir which throughout the year in the Sunday Services and Revd Samuel S John for coordinating the Dalhousie travel, stay and session and helping in the chaplaincy work in every way.

Revd Dr Monodeep Daniel BAC
Chaplain


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2018-19

COLLEGE CHAPEL

To
Prof John Varghese
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Annual Report 2018 – 2019

I am very happy to present the report of the activities of the college chapel organized during the academic year 2018-19. All these activities aimed to offer pastoral care and spiritual succour primarily for the whole college community. In this endeavour we aimed to strengthen the Christian character of the community without becoming exclusive. Accordingly, the events under the chaplaincy welcomed those of other faiths or no faiths to its various events and programmes.

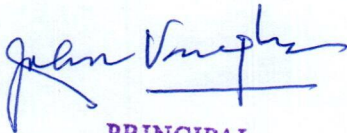
PRAYERS IN THE CHAPEL

Daily prayers were held in the college chapel at 08.00 am each morning. Midday Communion was celebrated on each Thursday each week through the year and a full sung Eucharist every Sunday evening at 06.00 pm.

Ash-Wednesday and Lent Season:

The imposition of ashes was done at the Morning Prayer on 6th March 2019 to mark the beginning of Lent. The service was well attended. Thereafter a fifteen-minute midday prayer in the chapel was held each Wednesday through the six weeks of lent. We followed some portions of the liturgy of the Covenant Service followed by a brief reflection. Many members found these to be meaningful and regularly came to it each week.

Holy Week Services:


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The Holy Week started with the Palm Sunday Service on 14th April 2019. Each morning we had prayers and address on themes related to the life of Christ, the evening Communion on Maundy Thursday was followed by a community dinner which was attended by twenty-five young people. Good Friday Service was arranged in the morning from 09.00 am lasting till 11.00 am and Easter morning service was at 6.30 am followed by community breakfast. The College Choir had prepared some special classical pieces of sacred music for the Service which lent a wonderful aura to the occasion. More than fifty young people and senior members attended the service.

ANNUAL COLLEGE EVENTS

Service for the Commencement of the Academic Year:

The Service of Holy Communion was organized to commence the academic year of the college on 19th July 2018. More than three hundred people attended the service. These were not only the newly admitted students but also their parents and many others connected with the life of the college. Bishop Warris Masih, the Chair of the Supreme Council and the Governing Body of the College, presided over the Service. Thereafter all were invited for the fellowship tea.

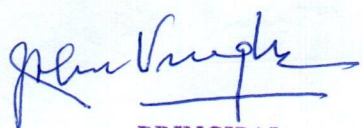
Classes on Religious Studies:

Those enrolled in the first semester were required to attend the Religious Studies classes each Friday morning. The study was on the gospel of Saint Mark. At the end of the academic year i.e. on 5th April 2019, the examination of Religious Studies was held which was well attended.

Study with Success Seminar:

To help the students to cope with the academic demands a three-day programme from 16th August 2018 called "Study with Success Seminar" was organized under the aegis of the Chaplaincy. Dr Elf Wolf, a Swedish scholar was the resource person for all the three days. It was encouraging to note that the participants were not only from St Stephen's College but also from many other colleges of the university notably Miranda House, Hansraj College, Trinity Institute for Professional Studies, Ramjas College, Indarprastha College, Satyavati College, Daulat Ram College, Lakshmibai College, SBSC, Zakir Husain College, School for Open Learning and Hindu College. . In all ninety students participated in it.

"Adoramus" Annual Concert:


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This year Ms Angela Alex, a third-year junior member, was the presenter of the Annual Concert which was held on 11th and 12th November 2018 in the chapel and the hall respectively.

Choral Presentations of the college choir under the banner of "Adoramus" included a variety of hymns reflecting the liturgical seasons of advent, Christmas and also of Christian hope. Both senior and junior members participated in the College Choir.

Christian Staff Fellowship Meetings:

The meetings of the Christian Staff Fellowship, for the senior members of the college, were regularly held every month through the academic year. The discussion at each session was on a theme. The meetings were held on Friday afternoon in the Principal's Office. The participation in every meeting was good.

Founder's Day Celebration:

The Founder's Day Service was organized on 7th December 2018. The Service was well attended by Junior Members and Senior Members and several guests. After the Service breakfast was served on the Chapel lawns.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Easter Fellowship Lunch

The Easter Fellowship Lunch for the whole community was organized on 2nd April 2018. The event was wholly organized by the junior members of the college. More than 250 people enjoyed the fellowship in the dining hall of our college.

Campus Friendship Day Celebration

The Campus Friendship was celebrated on 4th August 2018 in the college hall. About 300 students from different colleges in Delhi participated in the event.

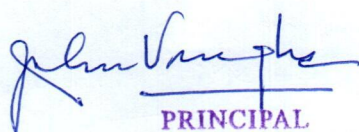
Christian Bursary

Christian bursary was awarded to Arpita George of 1st year BA Programme and Ivana Bazeley Agitok Sangma of 1st Year Physics for securing 100% attendance in the Religious Studies Class.

Religious Studies Prize

The prize was awarded to two students: Manveer Titus (History 1st year) and Annly Anna Kurian (BAP 1st year).

Annual Retreat


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The Annual Retreat for the College was organized by the Chaplaincy for all its members from 13th to 20th October 2018 at Gulmarg in J & K. The venue was arranged due to the contacts which Revd Samuel John Shekher has with the Amritsar Diocese. We are grateful to the Principal Mr Pervez Kaul and his staff of Biscoe School Srinagar who helped us in organizing the events at the Biscoe Hut Gulmarg. We took turns to hold sessions on bible studies with the participants. We gratefully acknowledge the help we received from Mr. Robin Patrick of the Campus Crusade for Christ in sessions and activities.

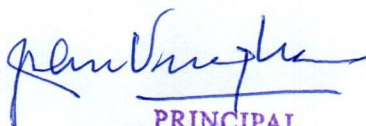
The Biscoe School provided us with a trainer to trek on the mountains and to view some beautiful sights. We visited the local church—St Mary's Church and had a brief time of prayer with all the participants.

Choral Evensong

Mr Pathikrit Das organized a Choral Evensong on 11th February 2019 in the College Chapel. The choir was made up of 20 strong young people of our college which included three organists. The Service included prayers, readings from the scripture and congregational hymns. There were more than 50 people present in the college chapel for the occasion.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I must acknowledge with gratitude the help I received in all my endeavours from our Principal Prof John Varghese, the Bursar Dr Renish Abraham, the Estate Officer Mr. George Thomas and the Associate Chaplain Revd Samuel John Shekher and all the senior members who made it possible to serve the students in their formative years.


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College Chapel

Annual Activity Report 2019-2020

To

The Principal

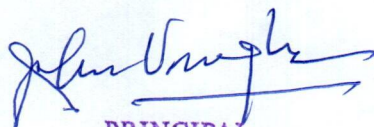
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It is my pleasure to share with you the Annual Activity Report of the College Chapel for the year 2019-2020. Chapel life and ministry is central to the Christian character of this institution. Right at the outset it must be said that the Chapel has been the hub of Christian activities through the year which were meticulously coordinated by the Chaplain and the Associate Chaplain. However, for many activities other venues, like the College Hall, Cafe Principal's Office and other institutional avenues of the Church of North India were also used.

We must start this report by mentioning the ending of the previous academic year which ended in April 2019. The Chapel Junior members organised a farewell prayer and a fellowship tea in the evening for their departing friends. Senior members of the staff were also invited and in all we were a band of 25 friends. The students shared their experiences and warmly recalled some events they all did together. Some affirmed that the bonds of friendships forged through their involvement in the chapel—whether by participating in the choir or choral evensong or organising events—were to last beyond their time in college. A Few senior staff members also spoke and the Chaplains did the prayers. The Junior members gifted tokens of their love to their departing friends.

The formal Dismissal and Thanksgiving Service was held in the Chapel on 26th April 2019 to mark a successful end to the full academic year. The Service of Holy Communion which commenced at 8.15 am was presided by the Rt Revd Warris Masih, Bishop of Delhi and Chairperson of the College


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Supreme Council and the Governing Body. The Service was well attend by about 70 people. Breakfast was served in the chapel lawns after the Service.

Thereafter a long summer break commenced, during which the College admissions for 2020 were completed. Thereafter the Chaplaincy was involved in the following programmes and events on the Campus throughout the year. The second semester was interrupted by the outbreak of global pandemic “Novel-Covid-19” popularly called “Coronavirus”.

The College Opening Service:

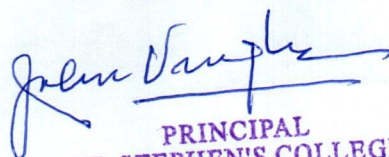
The College reopened in mid-July. The Opening Service was on 18th July 2019 in the College Hall, which was attended by more than 250 people—the newly admitted students and their parents. The senior students organised a choir for the Service. This was according to Church of North India order of the Lord’s Supper. Bishop Warris K. Masih presided at the Lord’s Table and the Chaplains served the Communion. The members of the Supreme Council were present at this occasion.

Services in the Chapel:

Every morning through the week *Morning Prayers* were held in the Chapel which were attended both by the Junior Members (students) and the Senior Members (staff). Staff members along with the Chaplains took part in taking Services on some days of the week. Each Thursday morning the *Eucharist* was said and on Sunday evenings a full sung Eucharist was celebrated. This routine through the two semesters of the academic year was adhered to as the longstanding tradition of the college.

Christian Staff Fellowship:

The Principal hosted Christian Staff Fellowship once in each month at his office. Around fifteen to twenty senior members regularly attended the fellowship meetings. It was a time of reading the Bible together and to inspire each other to maintain a good spirit and the Christian witness on the campus. The themes for discussions were kept wide. Not only were the Bible passages interpreted but also their relevance for the academic profession was discussed.


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Non-Teaching Staff Fellowship:

This year we were able to host the Non-Teaching Staff Fellowship meeting in the first semester in August. Thirty people gathered for the occasion in the Chapel. With gusto they sang in Hindustani. Bible was read, a sermon was delivered and prayers were said by the chaplains. Thereafter all joined for the evening fellowship tea. They always look forward for these meetings.

Religious Studies Programme:

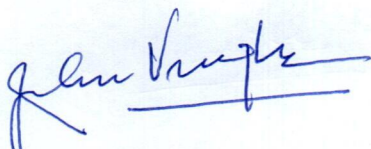
Each Friday the Religious Studies was held for one hour starting at 8.30 am for the first year Christian students. As usual the study revolved on the theme of discipleship for which gospel of St Mark was used as the basic text. The relevance of discipleship was brought out by highlighting the ethical responsibilities of Christ's disciples in the social context. The Associate Chaplain and some teachers were also invited to share their thought from time to time.

Celebration of Friendship Day:

Campus Friendship Day has for the last five years become an annual feature of the College. This year was celebrated on 10th of August 2019. It was a motivational event where the Bible was read, the Chaplains said the prayers and the message was delivered by the guest speaker. This year the motivational speaker was Dr Hepesh Shepherd, presently Principal of Salvation Tree School, Greater Noida. He was good and kept the gathering of 230 students engaged throughout the afternoon. The gathering was ecumenical in nature and the students were not only from our college but also from various other campuses. Sumptuous refreshments were served to all after an hour-long programme.

Study with Success:

This also has become an annual feature of the Chapel Ministry. Prof Urs Wolf from Sweden was our resource person. He conducted three evening sessions on 23rd to 25th September 2019 in the college Hall. Besides those enrolled from our college, there were students from various other colleges to participated in it. In all there were on average 50 students who attended this programme. A


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community dinner was organised on the last day where the Principal, the Chaplains and Prof Wolf along with the students were present. Those who completed the three days of sessions were awarded a certificate from the College.

Retreat and Excursion to Nainital:

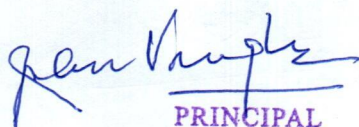
This year the Chapel Retreat and Excursion was organised at Nainital from 5th to 11th October 2019. We based ourselves at All Saint's College where our group of 35 students and staff was warmly welcomed. Out of the six days we had Bible-Study session for full two days and two days were for excursion and tracking on high Himalayan mountains. The Bible studies were conducted by the Chaplains and the students had good time of group-work involving discussions, presentations and plenary. There were outdoor games and other recreational activities. Each day we had the prayers at the School Chapel and also the Lord's Supper. On the last day a facilitation programme was organised. On behalf of the college and in gratitude to the services we received we gave souvenirs to the Principal, Mrs. Jeremiah and staff of All Saints College.

Choral Evensong:

This year on 11th September 2019 we had our Choral Evensong, in line with the tradition of Cambridge Colleges (UK). This event was held in the College Chapel. We had the choir of 22 Junior members to sing several parts of Evening Liturgy and a piece in Latin. It was well attended both by the students and the staff. Commendable efforts were put in by our students particularly Nathan Samarpan, Anugrah Brij, Cynthia and Samarth. The Choir wore traditional robes and the precentor was dressed distinctly.

Pre-Christmas Concert:

The Pre-Christmas Concert is a larger chapel event which brings in the whole college community together. The College Choir constitutes the "Adoramus" a legacy created by late Mr K.M. Mathew who was our Chemistry Professor. The event was held on two consecutive evenings of 3rd and 4th November 2019. The first was on a Sunday in the Chapel in form of the evening Service and the second presentation was on Monday in the College Hall in form of an evening Concert. The


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preceptor for the evening was Mr. Shourya Avinash. The Chapel was beautifully decorated by the junior members for the event. Both days were seating capacity was full. On the first day we placed digital display screens on the chapel lawn for those who had to stand outside for want of seats. A special dinner was hosted for the choristers and volunteers along with the Principal and senior staff in the cafe.

Participation at the CNI Jubilee Year Celebration at Nagpur:

The Chaplain and the Associate Chaplain represented the College and the Principal at the commencement of the Golden Jubilee Year of the Church of North India on 29th November 2019. The celebration for this jubilee year commenced at Nagpur All Saints Cathedral grounds under a gigantic *pandal*. Thousands of people from all over India and friends from abroad had gathered for the occasion. The Chaplains presented the Most Revd Prem Chand Singh, the Moderator of the CNI, a felicitation letter from the Principal for the happy occasion.


Christmas Carol Round:

After a gap of thirty years the custom of carol rounds on the campus was revived this year. We had a good group of about twenty-five students and some senior members who visited the homes of every teachers on the campus on 7th December 2019 starting from Principal's Residence. A few carols were sung and a prayer was said in each house. The effort was much appreciated and we were warmly welcomed in each family.

Christmas Day Service:

A modest Service of Carols was held on the evening of the Christmas Day in the Chapel. Several senior members of all faiths and no faith turned for the festive occasion. A Crib was blessed and displayed at the end of the Chapel. The College-front and the Chapel facade were well illuminated for the Christmas-New Year octave.

Church Assignments to CNI Students:


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All the first year CNI students were divided into small groups who then then assigned to various CNI Churches. They were required to participate in the Sunday Services of these Churches and the Presbyters of the respective Churches were accordingly intimated. The reports from the Presbyters were very encouraging as they were delighted to welcome the students to the congregations. On the other hand the students also appreciated these visits as it gave them a exposure to a variety of CNI congregations in different parts of Delhi and Noida.

Memorial Service for Alan Stanley:

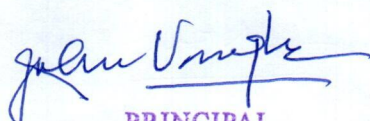
A memorial Service was organised by the Chaplains in the College Chapel for Alan Stanley on 25th October 2019. Alan was a young teacher who had recently joined the department of Philosophy. He was bright and promising. However, his life came to a very tragic end which shocked the whole college community. The Associate Chaplain completed certain formalities on behalf of the college.

One Day Retreat at Titus Farms:

One day retreat was organised for the students at the Titus Farms at Chattarpur on 1st March 2020. The farm is situated in a remote part of that area. 14 students along with three staff and the two chaplains were a part of this event. The day was spent in worship and bible study. We are grateful to Mr . Diljeet and his wife Mrs Titus who provided us lunch and tea. They also extended a very warm and personal welcome to all of us. This the second year of holding a day long retreat at the Titus Farm.

Retreat for CNI Students:

For the first time the Chaplaincy made efforts to organise an event for the CNI Students. A group of twenty-seven junior members was taken to Amritsar Diocese from 11th March 2020 to 13th March 2020. We were hosted at the Satyaniketan Theological College, in the campus of Baring Union Christian College in Batala. We had a three days visit of which two days were in the CNI Liturgy and its Faith and Order. We also had daily Morning and Evening prayers and Bible Study Sessions. Two days were set aside for excursions. One day to the famous Golden Temple and the second day to the Indo-Pakistan border area. Both visits were enriching experience. The team also


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accommodated Revd Mrs Jennifer Dyer (District Superintendent) from the British Methodist Conference.

Altar Servers' Guild:

A way to involve the CNI students in the Chapel was to start a guild of Altar Servers. Several young men and women from first year volunteered to join the guild. Those who volunteered as Servers were given training for it by the Chaplains. Every Eucharist Service had two students to serve at the altar. Those responsible to coordinate were conscientious of their duty and never failed to turn up.

The Lent Services:

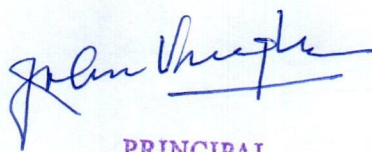
The Lent began with the imposition of ashes on the Ash-Wednesday. Thereafter each Thursday midday prayers and intercession were held in the Chapel. A modest group of about 10 students and a couple of staff attended these services.

Lent Bible Study: Like the previous year this year also the Chaplaincy organised a Bible Study course for the Lent. The Principal inaugurated the programme "In Search of Truth" in the Seminar Room. The epistle of Titus was selected for study this year. However, half way through the Nova Covid-19 pandemic hit Delhi and all were quarantined. The norms of social distancing brought the Lent Study to ZOOM online classes which successfully concluded on 18th May 2020.

Online Services:

With the national lock down to control the Covid-19 pandemic the chaplaincy used online facility of ZOOM and Instagram. The Sunday Services, the Easter Sunrise Services and the Lent Bible Study session were put on these spaces. Around twenty students were always joining the online Chapel ministries.

At the end I want to express my gratitude to all those who formed a team to coordinate the Chaplaincy ministries on the College Campus. First of all to you as our Principal. We received all the encouragement and approvals for the programmes through the year. Your presence at all the


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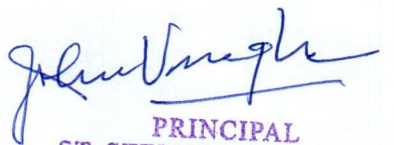


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events despite the tight schedule of administrative and academic demands. I want to thank the Associate Chaplain for the unending efforts and utilising his exceptional energies to organise especially the outstation retreats and excursions. My Office Assistant Ms Veronica Bor for cooperating and rising up to the occasion, especially for taking responsibility for women students in excursions—during the journey and the stay, in treks and in malls.

I must thank the junior members of the student community for doing all the coordinating work particularly Nathan Samarpan Lal, Anugrah Brij, Arpita Geroge, Suzannah Lal and Priyanka Gloria Gupta.

Revd Dr Monodeep Daniel. Chaplain.


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COLLEGE CHAPEL

Report April 2020 to January 2021

We are grateful to God for his mercies through the year as we ministered to the college community through the corona virus lockdown. It was worst of times and it was the best of times. The lockdown started on 24th March 2020 and the college was closed down. Thereafter the ministry of the chapel took a new turn.

The junior members left for their homes but 90 students had to wait longer for their turn to board trains to return homes. The chaplains took active role to take care of these young people on campus. In this regard it must be said that the ministry of chaplains took a wider scope.

Online Sunday Services

The Sunday evening Service was relayed online with scripture reading and a sermon. An average of 35 students used to join in it each Sunday. Needless to say that these online services were shorter in duration compared to the regular services in the chapel.

Bible Study Sessions

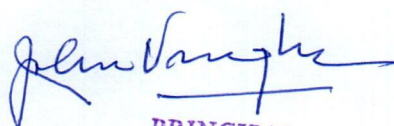
Bible Study sessions called the "Bible Hour" were conducted online each Sunday. We did two books, namely the book of Jonah and letter to Philemon. The junior members appreciated these studies.

Care for the junior members in Residence

During their stay in the college residence the sundry needs of junior members were met. The chaplains took the responsibility to procure the basic necessities from the malls and organized their distribution. A group of junior members who volunteered to help in collecting orders and distributing the goods was a great help.

Return of the Junior Members

After the partial restoration of the national transports, groups of residents were sent to the collection spot from where they were taken by the government authorities to their trains.


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Adoramus

The Adoramus Event was organized online. It was of a much shorter duration than the live event in chapel. The singers recorded their parts and these we all put together online. It was viewed by many with much appreciation. The CBN also broadcasted it on their network.

I am grateful to Prof John Varghese our Principal to supporting the chapel activities in every way and Dr. Renish Abraham our Bursar for meeting our demands of expenses of events. Mr. George Thomas our Estate Officer was always ready to help us in every arrangement and the whole group of junior members who made the chapel a very lively place. Last but not the least I must thank Revd Samuel John Shekher our Associate Chaplain for his tireless efforts to organize the junior members and to make the chapel and campus a happier place for us all particularly during the Covid-19 lockdown.

Chaplain

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Chapel Retreats

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THEME : MAKING ALL THINGS NEW
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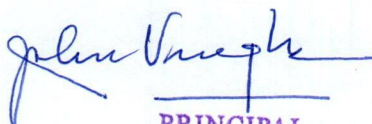
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All Saint's School, Nainital, October 2019



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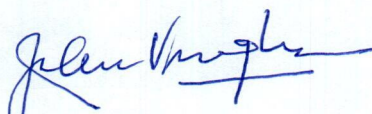
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Dalhousie, 2021


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It reflects on the humanist and socialist ideals of the Constitution and responsible democratic citizenship. The classes take place every Friday at 2:00 pm. Over the years, different batches have discussed inequality and equality as procedural and substantive concepts taken up as manifestations of different social cleavages.

The course deploys a range of methodologies including lectures through experts in the field including academics and activists, classroom discussions, as well as screening of short films and discussions.

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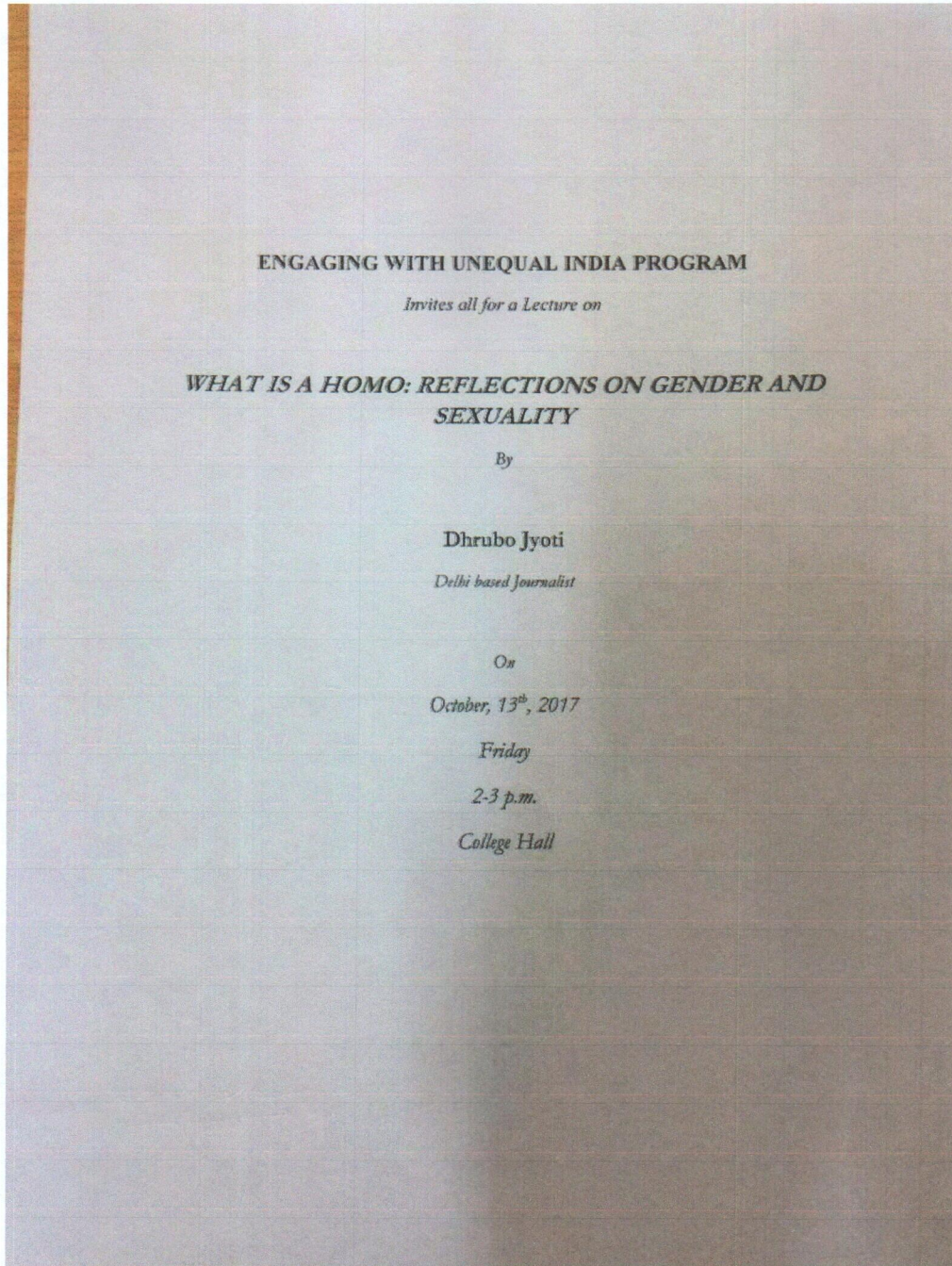


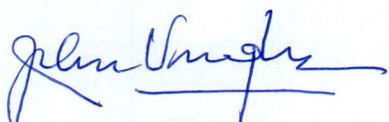
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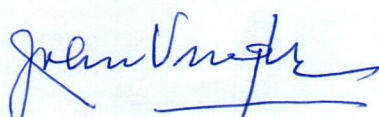
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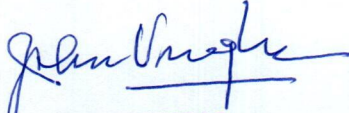
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ON

THE MANY INEQUALITIES OF CLIMATE CHANGE

**NAGRAJ ADVE IS A MEMBER OF THE CLIMATE CRISIS GROUP, DELHI.
AUTHOR OF GLOBAL WARMING IN INDIA: AN INTRODUCTORY OVERVIEW**

November 1st, Room XD, 2-3:30 pm.


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By **Mohammad
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Speaking from his experience of being behind the bars for 14 years and the various lessons he learnt on law and justice, the role of media and its impact on an individual, a family and a community.

TIME	DATE	VENUE
2:00 PM to 3:00 PM	20th September 2019	Opposite AV Room

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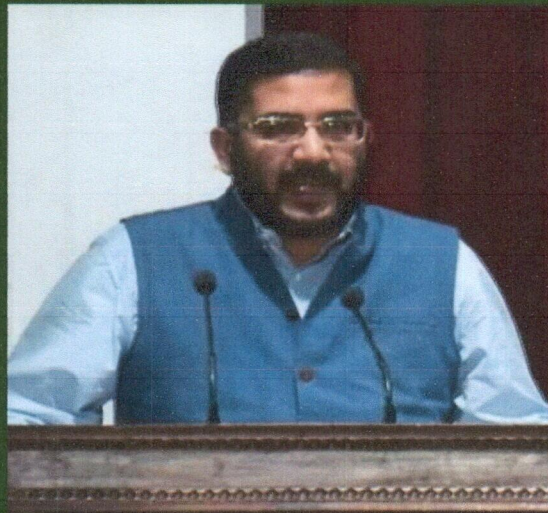
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' REFLECTIONS ON THE HISTORY OF TRIBES IN INDIA '

By *Dr. Aditya
Pratap Deo* ,
Department of
History,
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TIME

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

DATE

18th October 2019

VENUE

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' THE EXPERIENCE OF CASTE '

By **S. Anand**,
the publisher
of **Navayana**
and co-author
of **Bhimayana**.



TIME	DATE	VENUE
2:00 PM to 3:00 PM	27th September 2019	Seminar Room

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