



2018-2019

IQAC Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 10/01/2019

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

IQAC Room, St. Stephen's College, Delhi 110007

Meeting held on January 10, 2019 at 3pm

The first meeting of the IQAC was held on 10 January, 2019 at 3.00pm in the IQAC office. The meeting began with introductions. The Principal, Prof. John Varghese, Chairperson of the IQAC, introduced Ms. Felicita Lawrence, Research & Data Analyst who is attached to the IQAC office.

Members Present:

- 1) Prof. John Varghese – Chairperson
- 2) Dr. Ekta Kundra Arora – Co-ordinator
- 3) Dr. Renish G. Abraham
- 4) Dr. Rohit Wanchoo
- 5) Dr. Karen Gabriel
- 6) Dr. Satish Kumar
- 7) Dr. Pankaj Mishra
- 8) Mrs. Archana Chopra
- 9) Mr. Sanjay Rao Ayde
- 10) Mr. Deepak Mukarji
- 11) Mr. Jeffin George
- 12) Prof. Rupin W. Desai
- 13) Ms. E. Felicita Lawrence

The Chairperson informed that Dr. Sarah Iqbal, Alumni Representative had expressed her inability to attend the meeting. The attendance sheet is attached.

Welcome: The Chairperson extended a warm welcome to the IQAC members. The Chairperson specially thanked Prof. Rupin W. Desai for accepting the invitation to be part of the IQAC of St. Stephen's College.

The Chairperson placed on record his appreciation of the former IQAC Committee Members, in particular Dr. Vibha Sharma, the former IQAC Coordinator for her dedicated efforts.

Confirmation of the minutes: The minutes of the IQAC meeting held on February 15, 2018 were confirmed without any changes. The minutes were proposed for passing and adoption by Dr. Pankaj Mishra and seconded by Dr. Rohit Wanchoo.

Matters arising and clarifications on the attached documents: The Principal asked the members if any clarifications were required with respect to the documents attached in the email informing them of the meeting (AQAR 2017-2018, Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 15 February 2018 and Information about IQAC and AQAR). No clarifications were sought.

The IQAC Coordinator – Dr Ekta Kundra - explained the purpose and role of the IQAC briefly along with the requirement of filling the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the period: July 01, 2018 – June 30, 2019. All members agreed that verifiable documentation at all levels of college functioning is desirable and should be practiced and enhanced.



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With respect to student progression, after a discussion it was felt that getting information from students when they visited college to collect their certificates should be enabled. Citing the greater possibility of students sharing information with their own department faculty, a member suggested having departmental collation of such information and then passing it on to the alumni office would be more efficient.

A discussion ensued on fee towards membership of the Alumni. The Chairperson informed everyone that at present no fee is charged for alumni membership but a discussion was underway at the Alumni Committee regarding introducing a small fee. A member shared the option of encouraging students who graduate from college to opt for a Life Insurance with the College as the beneficiary on a voluntary basis. It was decided to explore such an option.

The Coordinator informed that the AQAR required a structured feedback collection from Students, Teachers, Employees, Alumni, and Parents and that the weblink to the feedback forms are to be uploaded on the College website. A member pointed out that 'Student Faculty Committees' in all departments are functional and feedback is obtained from students. A member informed that the Self Study Report (SSR) has a format and the NAAC team only expects that as feedback. It was suggested that the Coordinator send across the format to all members.

Members pointed out that the IT facilities in college needed upgradation. The Chairperson explained that the band width provided by the university is not sufficient and having a dedicated line for the College is desirable though expensive. The Chairperson referred to Dr Pankaj Mishra who was a very good resource person within College for e-content, and said that we should make use of such resources to supplement the work that teachers did. He also mentioned that the library has access to databases and resources and the librarian was holding workshops to share this information. A member suggested that links to study materials may be uploaded on the College website to which another member responded that there are numerous sources and materials that faculty use for a single lecture and to add to the information may turn out to be hard for students to follow.

A member suggested that some sample documents for Program Outcomes (PO), Program Specific Outcomes (PSO) and Course Outcomes (CO) could be provided to all members to which the Coordinator replied in the affirmative. Several suggestions were made including making quizzes and viva- voce examination as a part of assessment. The issue of plagiarism was mentioned to which the Chair mentioned that the UGC had a downloadable anti-plagiarism software for the use of teachers.

On the point of mentoring of students, all members unanimously agreed that though the College had an informal process of mentoring students through the tutorial system it needs to be systematized and made effective. The Chairperson suggested the option of encouraging final year students/ alumni/graduates for mentoring/helping first and second year students. A member suggested giving them certificates as an incentive.

On the criteria of Student Support and Progression the members were of the opinion that the possibility of starting remedial classes and other activities beneficial for the students be explored. Yoga and meditation sessions were also suggested along with Counselling on campus. On 'Guidance for Competitive Examinations' a member stated that support is being provided through the Campus



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Placement Cell (CPC). The difficulty of obtaining verifiable documentation from students was discussed. A member suggested exploring what other institutions are doing in this respect.

Under the criteria for research the Chairperson mentioned that some sponsored funding for student research projects is available in the Economics department. The College also partially funds conferences/workshops organized by Departments, subject to review and approval of the proposal. However, all departments are also encouraged to find their own sponsors. A member stated that there was very little funding or scholarship for the science department. Another member stated that the amount of funding received for science departments was low as it involved the cost of running experiments and purchasing equipment. A member wanted to know if information about scholarships and funding could be made available online. The Bursar responded that the information is available on the notice boards and that the students are expected to check the notice boards daily. It was suggested that the possibility of having such information available on the college portal may be explored.

A member stated that a lot of facilities and upgradation would be needed in the science departments to have collaborations and tie-ups with other institutes. A member suggested that an alumnus of the College, who is now a leading lawyer, may be contacted for a workshop on Intellectual Property Rights.

The Coordinator shared that Google forms are being prepared to collect information from Faculty, Departments, Students, and Societies. The information is needed for the period July 01, 2018 - June 30, 2019. It was decided that the forms should be filled and submitted by mid-March for the information to be available for the Year-end report. It was suggested that the forms should have an option of attaching/uploading documents such as certificates; to enhance documentation and that editing the form should be possible after submission to update any information. It was decided that the Department Heads will have access to all forms.

On discussing Governance, Leadership and Management in college, a member cited the admission process and functioning of societies as examples of decentralization and participative management. It was decided that possibilities of organizing programs for non-teaching staff would continue to be worked upon. On engagement of the parents with faculty and college, members cited that parents are invited to tea hosted by the Principal for the new batch of students who avail residence facilities. Parents also interact with faculty during the Dismissal Service every year.

A member raised a query about Waste Management techniques adopted by college. It was pointed out that such initiatives should not stop and professional help should be taken. A member informed that a professor at CSIR would be willing to help by providing bacteria for the compost pits and another member referred to a NGO who was willing to help with waste management.

A member suggested that Gender Sensitization should be included in the orientation. One member pointed out that the cleanliness of classrooms needed to be looked into. One member suggested we should get in touch with our alumni working in various leading organizations to explore collaborative projects with industry.

As the concerned member handling facilities for the Differently Abled was not present, it was decided that it will be discussed separately with the member concerned.



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The meeting ended with the Chairperson thanking everyone for their presence and participation.

Ekta Kundra

Dr. Ekta Kundra Arora
IQAC Coordinator

John Varghese

Prof. John Varghese
Chairperson



**Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)
IQAC Room, St. Stephen's College, Delhi 110007
Meeting held on May 24, 2019 at 10.30am**

The meeting of the IQAC was held on 24 May, 2019 at 10.30am in the IQAC office.

Members Present:

- 1) Prof. John Varghese - Chairperson
- 2) Dr. Ekta Kundra Arora - Co-ordinator
- 3) Dr. Renish G. Abraham
- 4) Dr. A.D. Mathur
- 5) Dr. Karen Gabriel
- 6) Dr. Satish Kumar
- 7) Dr. Pankaj Mishra
- 8) Ms. E. Felicita Lawrence

The Chairperson informed that Prof. Rupin W. Desai, Dr. Sarah Iqbal, Dr. Chinkhanlun Guite, Mrs. Archana Chopra, and Mr. Jeffin George had expressed their inability to attend the meeting. The attendance sheet is attached.

Welcome: The Chairperson extended a warm welcome to the IQAC members.

Confirmation of the minutes: The minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 10 January, 2019 were confirmed without any changes. The minutes were proposed for passing and adoption by Dr. Karen Gabriel and seconded by Dr. Renish G. Abraham.

Matters arising

The IQAC Coordinator – Dr. Ekta Kundra informed the members that information about student internships, placements and progression to higher education was being collected through Google forms generated for the purpose. The chairperson suggested that the process can be ongoing and information can be collected till July. The members were informed of the 'Student Satisfaction Survey' being linked to the Academic Management Portal of the final year students.

The chairperson informed the members that 'The Environment Society' of the College has started with waste segregation on campus and better bins have been installed in Residence.

The chairperson informed the members that 'Gender Sensitization' would be included in the Orientation Program for the new batch of students joining college in July 2019.

A member highlighted the need to have an English Language Enhancement Course/Remedial Classes for the benefit of students from different courses and backgrounds. It was suggested that faculty could participate in such programs voluntarily. The chairperson volunteered for the same. The chairperson proposed that the IQAC can work towards developing a formal mentorship program.



A short discussion on the Best practices in the College, Institution Distinctiveness and Procedures and Policies for maintaining and utilizing Physical, Academic and Sports facilities followed.

On discussing the Action Plan for the academic year 2019-2020 a member suggested reviving the Public Lecture Series. The member also suggested that 'Faculty Lectures' should also be started where faculty across departments can participate. It was suggested that a slot can be left vacant in the master time table to enable everyone to participate. Another member suggested sending suggestions by emails.

It was decided that the IQAC Budget for the academic session can be submitted to the Bursar along with a Budget Utilization for the previous year.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the IQAC on 26 July, 2019 at 10.30 am.

The meeting ended with the Chairperson thanking everyone for their presence and participation.

Ekta Kundra

Dr. Ekta Kundra Arora
IQAC Coordinator

John Varghese

Prof. John Varghese
Chairperson



Quality Initiatives by IQAC

1. The Department of Chemistry under the aegis of IQAC organized the National Conference 'Emerging Trends and Advances in Chemical Sciences'

St. Stephen's College
presents
National Conference
on

ETACS '18
EMERGING TRENDS AND
ADVANCES IN CHEMICAL
SCIENCES

The Conference includes:

- Talks by Eminent Speakers**
- Poster Presentation**
- Oral Presentations**

Date- 25th and 26th September
Venue- Seminar Room

Register by- 22nd September
Send Abstracts by- 18th September

Scan to register: **PayTM fee to:**



**National Conference 'Emerging Trends
and Advances in Chemical Sciences'**



2. Environmental Awareness and Action Fortnight

Bird Watching Lecture



Lecture: Bird-watching in India: Tips and Tricks and Treats. (Dr. Asani Bhaduri)

Waste Segregation



Waste Segregation

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WWF and Youth

THE ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY
IN COLLABORATION WITH WWF, UGC AND UPEU
PRESENTS

WWF AND THE YOUTH

12 OCTOBER 2018
2 PM
ROOM XC

WORKSHOP BY
Ms RADHIKA SURI
DIRECTOR, ENVIRONMENT EDUCATION
OF WWF-INDIA

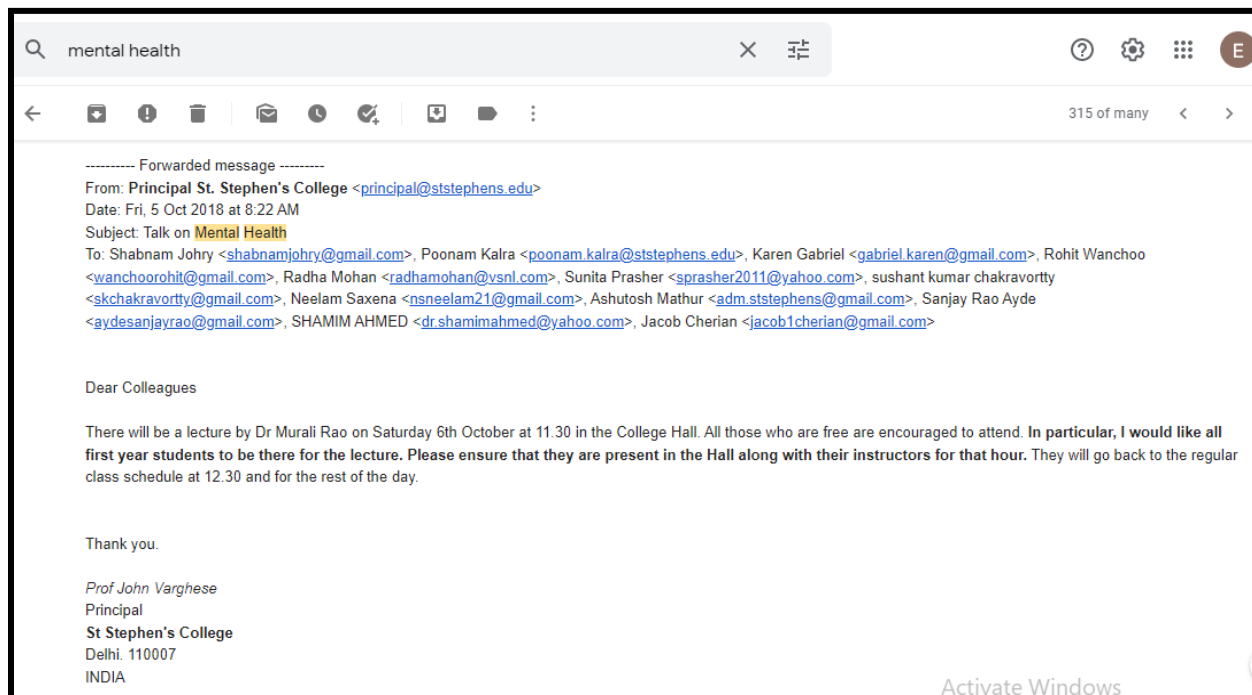
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The Environmental Society, St. Stephen's College
11 OCT 2018

WWF and Youth.



3. Mental Health Talk



Dr Murali S. Rao

MD, FAPM, DLFAPA

Professor and Chairman, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences
Loyola University Medical Center, Loyola University Chicago USA



Areas of Interest/Specialization:

Consultation – Liaison Psychiatry and Emergency Psychiatry

Awards & Fellowships:

- Distinguished Life Fellow APA
- Outstanding Academician Award by the Indo-American Psychiatric Association
- Master Teacher Award at Stritch School of Medicine

Journal Publications: >50

Member of professional bodies:

Member of American College of Psychiatrists, Fellow, Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine, Fellow, CINP, Life Fellow Indian Psychiatric Society, Fellow, American College of Forensic Psychiatry, & many other scientific national & international societies

Journal Editorial member/Reviewer: International Journal of Emergency Mental Health and Human Resilience, Others



4. Dust Control Measures at construction sites to Control Air Pollution

Department of Environment
Govt. of NCT of Delhi,
6th Level, C-Wing, Delhi Secretariat,
I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002
Ph: 23392306, Fax: 23392029

No. F10 (24)/ Env/2018/ 5397

Dated: 24/09/18

To,

The Principal

Sub: Participation in the Workshop on "Dust Control Measures at construction sites to Control Air pollution"- regarding.

Sir,

As you are aware that construction activities contribute to air pollution in the City specifically in terms of Particulate matter. This fact has also been reflected in various National Green Tribunal orders.

Considering the need for mass awareness & large public participation for effective implementation/ enforcement of the existing norms/ regulations for controlling dust pollution, a workshop is being organized for areas under jurisdiction of North MCD on **9th October, 2018 from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm at Auditorium, Delhi Secretariat, IP Estate, New Delhi.**

You are hereby requested to kindly participate in the said workshop or depute your eco-club teacher alongwith 2 students of your College^{school} and contribute your experience in the open discussion session. For any query, Dr. Chetna Anand, Scientist (Environment) may be contacted on Mobile no. 9717593542 or dr.chetnaand@gov.in.

Yours Sincerely

B.C. Sabata
Dr. B.C Sabata 24/9/18
SSO (Environment)



Report

Workshop on "Dust control measures at construction sites to control air pollution"

By The Department of Environment govt. of NCT of Delhi

10th October, 2018

The workshop brought together construction agencies, construction projects under jurisdiction of north MCD, Academic Institutes, RWAs, Eco-Club Schools/Colleges and Government Departments.

The principal focus of the workshop was on the sources of dust and particulate matter present at construction sites, the health hazards of particulate matter and the measures taken by local authorities to control dust. There were presentations by senior officials from Dept. of Environment/ Delhi Pollution Control Committee, North Municipal Corporation of Delhi, Central Pollution Control Board, Central Road Research Institute, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation and IL&FS Environmental Infrastructure and Services Ltd. The presentations were confined to the theme of the workshop which included guidelines on dust mitigation measures in handling construction material and Construction and Demolition(C&D) wastes and status of action on ground for dust control at construction sites in Delhi. One of the observations made was that the penalty recovery rates were extremely low implying not so strict enforcement of environmental laws. Emphasis was also put on how road dust suspension being one of the major contributors to air pollution. There was detailed explanation about Construction and Demolition waste processing plant at Shastri Park and how the plant incorporated wet processing technology to recycle 95% of the waste generated.

The presentations were followed by a panel discussion. One of the things that was observed was the fact that the government officials were trying to defend themselves by giving inappropriate reasons when one of the audience raised a valid point. The workshop basically involved just talks and the audience didn't get to engage much. The standard of the workshop was not up to the level of college students. It could have been much better if the workshop involved more interaction from the audience and bringing speakers who were more knowledgeable and more receptive to constructive criticism.



5. Public Science Talk

**St Stephen's College
Internal Quality Assurance Cell**

NOTICE

The IQAC invites students to participate in a series of talks on *Public Science* on 12 November, 10 am - 1 pm, at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The event is being organized by India Alliance, a public charity dedicated to building excellence in Indian biomedical science since 2008. The students will get to hear about the research of Indian scientists, who are leaders in their respective fields, and about their scientific journey. There will be ample opportunity for them to interact with these scientists and witness a unique *Science Image exhibition*.

Interested students should submit their names to the undersigned by 20 September 2018.

Ekta Kundra
19/9/18
Dr. Ekta Kundra Arora
Co-ordinator IQAC




6. Yamuna Biodiversity Park Visit



Visit to the Yamuna Bio-Diversity Park




7. International Day of Women in Science


(Under the aegis of IQAC)

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celebrate

International Day of Women and Girls in Science


through a series of exciting talks by
eminent Indian women scientists
and launch of a specially curated
2019 Women in Science calendar
by The Life of Science.

2 - 4 pm, 11 February 2019
Seminar Room,
St Stephen's College, New Delhi


Speakers:



**A day in the Life
of a Scientist**
Dr. Lipi Thukral
CSIR-IGIB, New Delhi
Lipi will talk about her life in science,
merging algorithms, physics,
computer science, chemistry towards
solving biological health problems.
She will discuss the paradox of being
detached from the society and yet
every day solving unmet needs of
society at large.



**Cracking
Cognitive Codes**
Dr. Nandini C. Singh
UNESCO & NBRC, Manesar
Nandini will talk about how the
brain learns to read multiple
languages and how that can be
used to identify dyslexia.
She will also share experiments on
how Hindustani ragas can be used
to study human emotion.



**Chasing Deers,
Saving Wildlife**
Dr. Orus Ilyas
AMU, Aligarh
Wildlife scientist, Orus will talk
about her research on the
endangered Musk deer (*Moschus
chrysogaster*) - its status, ecology,
management
and conservation.

For more details, contact sarahigbal@indiaalliance.org



‘International Day of Women in Science’



- *Health*
- *Brain*
- *Emotions*
- *Relationship*
- *Limits*
- *Energy*
- *Marks*





Registration Form

Meditation Sessions - Registration

If registering, please note that you are expected to attend all sessions. The sessions will be held on Wednesdays, February 13th, 20th, 27th and March 6th, 2019 from 3 - 5 pm. The venue will be communicated in due course.

***Required**

1. Email address *

2. Name *

3. Category *

Mark only one oval.

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Student

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Teaching Faculty

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Non-Teaching staff

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Other:

4. Course/Department *

If you are a student, please mention your year of study also.

5. Mobile number *

A copy of your responses will be emailed to the address that you provided

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Attendance List

S.No	Name	Category	Mobile number	13/02/2019	20/02/2019	27/02/2019	06/03/2019
1	Jamil	Non-Teaching staff					
2	Vinay Panwar	Non-Teaching staff					
3	Vineeta Negi	Non-Teaching staff	9891850553	Vineeta			
4	Jeewan singh negi	Non-Teaching staff	8285770837				
5	Veronica Bor	Non-Teaching staff	7836824996				
6	Sandeep	Non-Teaching staff	9650165064				
7	Radhey shyam	Non-Teaching staff	8802002843	Sandeep	Sandeep		
8	RAJIKANT	Non-Teaching staff	9718548687	Rajikant	Rajikant		
9	Arvind kumar bansal	Non-Teaching staff	9650600930	Arvind	Arvind		
10	Mansi Sachdeva	Non-Teaching staff	9818475194	Mansi	Mansi		
11	Rajbir Singh	Non-Teaching staff	9306228624	Rajbir	Rajbir		
12	Ankit Verma	Non-Teaching staff	9968257223	Ankit	Ankit		
13	Ved Prakash	Non-Teaching staff	7053353337	Ved	Ved		
14	Kundanlal	Non-Teaching staff	9968234586	Kundan	Kundan		
15	Lalit Kumar	Non-Teaching staff	9868504203	Lalit	Lalit		
16	Mudra Raheja	Student	9818994302	Mudra	Mudra		
17	Neetu	Student	8708237544	Neetu	Neetu		
18	Kumari Shambhavi	Student	9953441050	Kumari	Kumari		
19	Aditya Vardhan	Student	8448358970	Aditya	Aditya		
20	Naveen Gupta	Student	9794639140	Naveen	Naveen		
21	Rahul Vasishtha	Student	9815754157	Rahul	Rahul		
22	Anshul	Student	9958453418	Anshul	Anshul		
23	Cheshta	Student	8708265917	Cheshta	Cheshta		
24	Anjala Mehta	Student	8076467111	Anjala	Anjala		
25	Chahat Mehra	Student	9540785731	Chahat	Chahat		
26	Monika Jeenwal	Student	8527657056	Monika	Monika		
27	NITIK BHATIA	Student	9711061900	Nitika	Nitika		
28	Charvi Singhvi	Student	9996254715	Charvi	Charvi		
29	Vasundhara	Student	9958289375	Vasundhara	Vasundhara		
30	Mansi sachdeva	Student	8920796526	Mansi	Mansi		
31	Ananya Kapoor	Student	9306228624	Ananya	Ananya		
32	Paridhi Agarwal	Student	09958563383	Paridhi	Paridhi		
33	Pragya Modi	Student	9560668886	Pragya	Pragya		
			7291857735				

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34	Mohd Haseeb	Student	8447267686	Haseeb	Haseeb		
35	Vinita	Student	9034895350	Vinita	Vinita		
36	Satyannarayan Sharma	Student	+919205301639	Satyannarayan	Satyannarayan		
37	Anjali Kukreja	Student	8826105471	Anjali	Anjali		
38	Namita Mittal	Student	9205088363	Namita	Namita		
39	Nishprah Saraswat	Student	9773712794	Nishprah	Nishprah		
40	Anil kundu	Student	09643227683	Unable to attend	anil kundu		
41	Srishti Katiyar	Student	7982239562	Srishti	Srishti		
42	Riya Rajan	Student	09711002537	Riya	Riya		
43	Nishita Abraham	Student	8510985511	Nishita	Nishita		
44	Krishni Gautam	Student	8130905594	Krishni	Krishni		
45	Piyush Bansal	Teaching Faculty	9810796083	Piyush Bansal	Piyush Bansal		
46	Ekta Kundra Arora	Teaching Faculty	9868066976	Ekta Kundra	Ekta Kundra		
47	Abhishek Dangi	Student	7982580323	Abhishek	Abhishek		
48	Yash Lakshya	Student	7417104822	Yash	Yash		
49	Shubhangi Agarwal	Student	8527581306	Shubhangi	Shubhangi		
50	Anjali Pruthi	Faculty	9910508735	Anjali	Anjali		
51	Manjula Singh	Faculty	9810350752	Manjula	Manjula		
52	Vibha Sharma	Faculty	9873919891	Vibha	Vibha		
53	Pooja Tejwari Bhatia	Student	8327261276	Pooja	Pooja		
54	YIPPI KIKONI	NON-TEACHING	9654617041	YIPPI	YIPPI		
55	E. FELICITA LAWRENCE	NON-TEACHING	8927406143	E. Felicit Lawrence	E. Felicit Lawrence		



9. Lecture on 'Intellectual Property Rights'



Lecture on 'Intellectual Property Rights'



10. One Day RAD@home Astronomy Workshop (ODRAW)

One Day RAD@home Astronomy Workshop (ODRAW)

at St. Stephen's College, Delhi

Participation in ODRAW is the first step of training to join citizen-science research in astronomy via RAD@home. RAD@home is the only Indian citizen science project in astronomy. It is a nation-wide Inter-University collaboratory of 150 plus trained citizen-scientists (aka e-astronomers). Selected citizens with minimum undergraduate-level science education (BSc/BE) from any University are trained in one week-long RAD@home Discovery Camps hosted by a research institute to become a member of the collaboratory. During the camp and thereafter e-astronomers, sitting in their homes, discover exotic blackhole-galaxy systems from TGSS radio-images taken with Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (GMRT), largest such telescope and pride of India. Following that, e-astronomers become Co-Investigators in an international team of scientists for follow up observations with the GMRT (GOOD-RAC project). Many of their discoveries have already been presented in national/international conferences and have been published internationally with the e-astronomers as co-authors. Thus RAD@home (#RADatHomeIndia) with it's Any-BSc/BE-Can-Do-research (#ABCDresearch) approach is providing equal-opportunity to participate in research with the GMRT to all University-educated citizens of India even in the remote underdeveloped regions, through the Internet. Further details can be found in the article by Hota.....et al. 2016 and www.radathomeindia.org

Selected participants are required to bring their own internet-enabled laptop computers. Interested Indian citizens (minimum BSc/BE education), irrespective of their employment status, are welcome to fill the registration form for consideration in the selection process. As the seats are limited (~60), participation will be confirmed only by email (after a selection process).

Register here :
<https://goo.gl/forms/EL2IVjbwrSCqkl9H2>
Deadline : 5 Feb 2019

Speakers:
Dr Ananda Hota (RAD@home, India)
Dr Chiranjib Konar (Amity University, Noida)
Dr. Shruti Thakur (St Stephen's)
Dr. Sampurnanand Jha (St Stephen's)

Organisers:
Center for Theoretical Physics,
St Stephen's College (Under the
aegis of IQAC)
Dr Ananda Hota (RAD@home,
UGC-MHRD, UM-DAE CEBS)
Ms Megha Rajoria (RAD@home)

**9AM – 5 PM
23 Feb 2019,
NPLT, St Stephen's College,
University Of Delhi**

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#RADatHomeIndia
#ABCDresearch

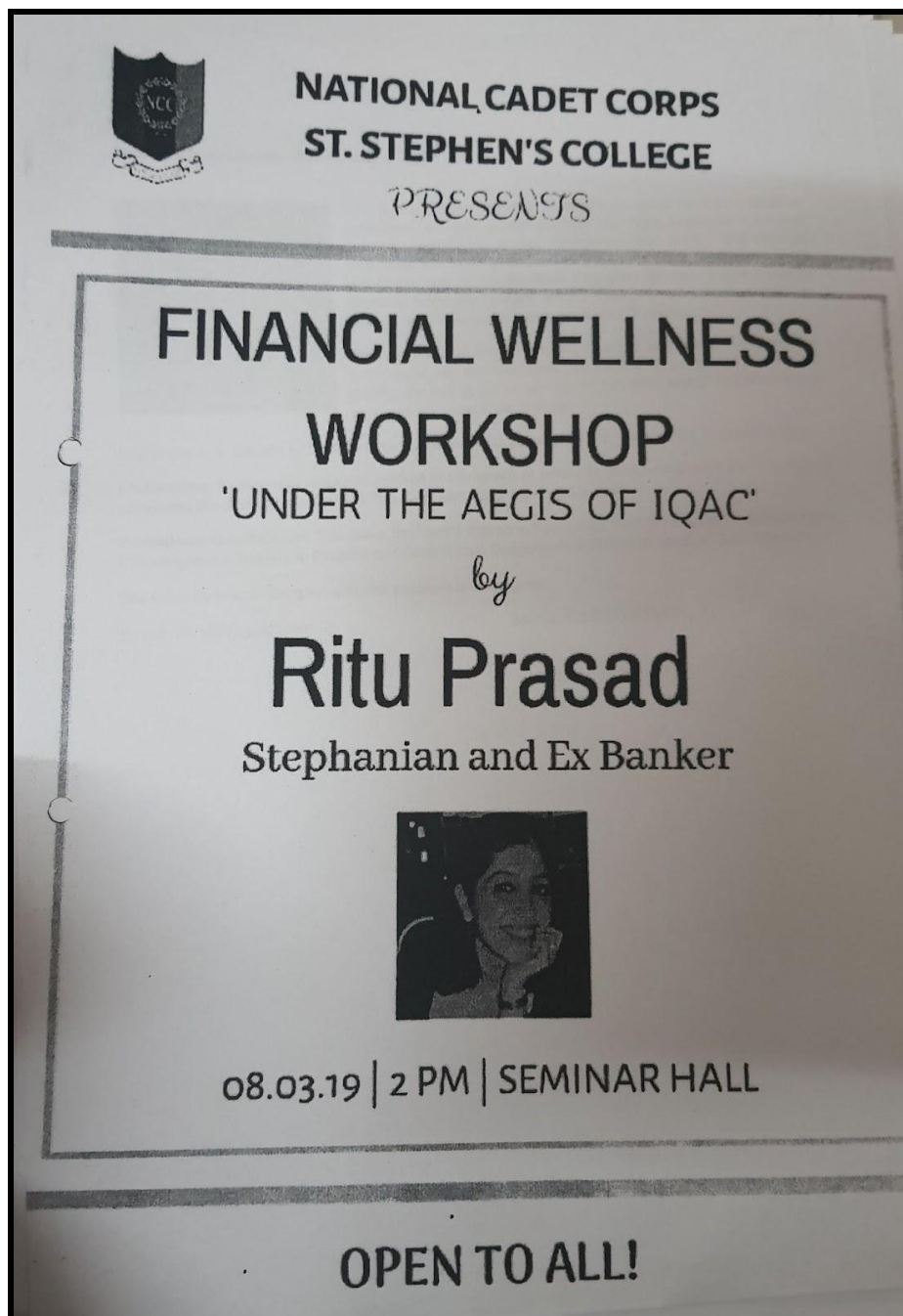
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11. The NCC organized the Financial Wellness Workshop under the aegis of IQAC for faculty and students on the occasion of 'International Women's Day'. Recourse Person: Ms. Ritu Prasad





About the facilitator: Ms. Ritu Prasad



Ritu is the founder member of Aspire Personal Financial Solutions, established with the express purpose of helping individuals meet their financial aspirations. In her association with banks and financial institutions she saw that while most were catering to the high net worth individuals, rest of the populace was often ignored. Aspire Personal Financial Solutions focuses on this largely unrepresented section to offer advice and education towards personal finance.

She is passionate about improving financial awareness among women in particular and with this intent has started her journey to reach out to individuals and group of women to talk and explain importance and concepts about personal finance.

Ritu has been a speaker at multiple forums and connects seamlessly with participants of all age groups.

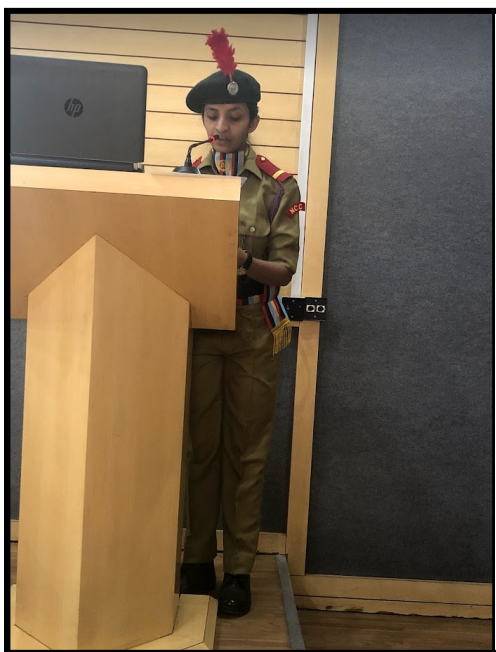
Professional Experience: Ritu has worked in the space of personal finance and retail banking across companies like Citifinancials, ABN AMRO Bank and Royal Bank of Scotland.

Educational Qualification: Ritu has a Bachelor's degree in Economics from St. Stephen's College, Delhi University and a Masters in Finance and Control from Department of Financial Studies, Delhi University.

She currently lives in Gurgaon with her husband and daughter.

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12. Workshop on Number Theory and Cryptography

SYMPOSIUM ON NUMBER THEORY AND CRYPTOGRAPHY

(Partially funded by IQAC)

organised by

The Mathematics Department

in association with

The Mathematics Society

St Stephen's College

on

27th and 28th March

SPEAKERS

Dr. Geetha Venkatraman

School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University

Dr. Amitabha Tripathi

Mathematics Dept., IITD

Dr. SK Pal

Defence Research and Development
Organisation

Dr. Kapil Hari Paranjape

IISER, Mohali

Dr. Indivar Gupta

Defence Research and Development Organisation

TOPICS

**Number Theoretic Cryptography in
the Quantum Era**

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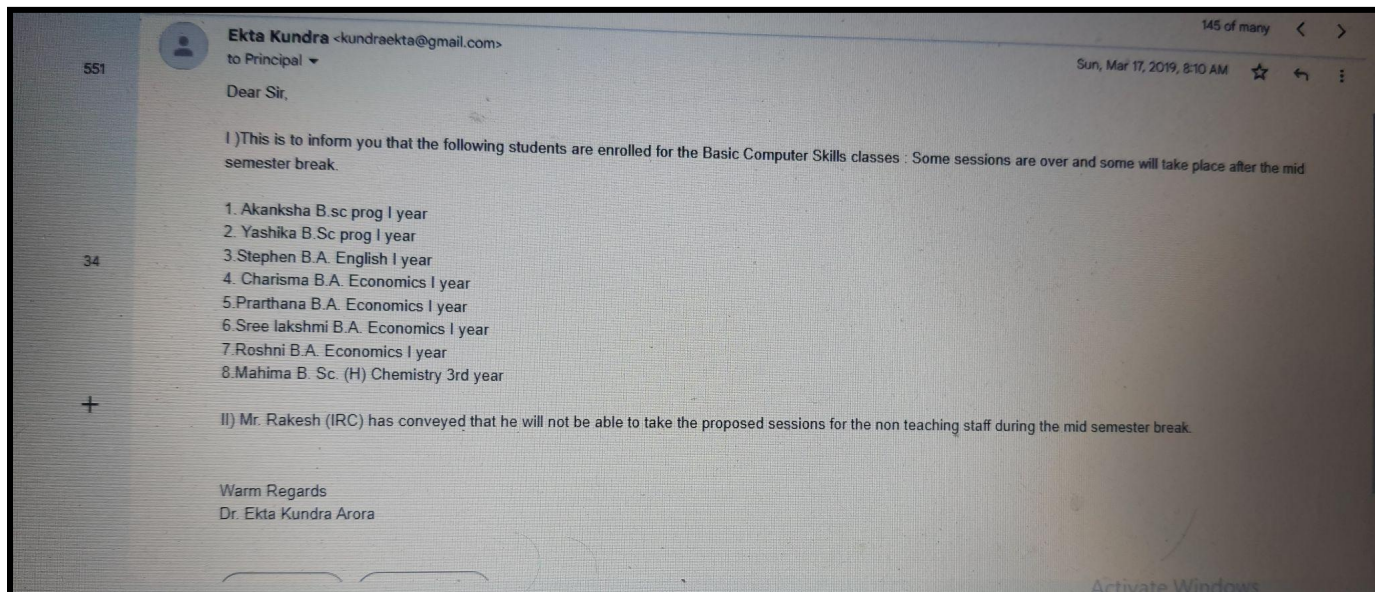
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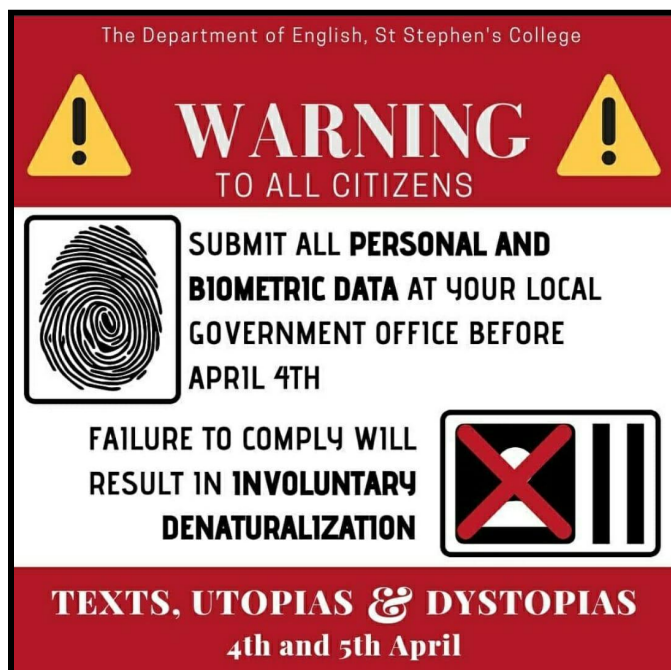
13. Basic Ms Office Workshop





14. National Conference 'Texts, Utopias and Dystopias'

Poster





Programme Schedule

National Conference
on
'Texts, Utopias and Dystopias'

4-5 April 2019

Department of English, and Centre for Gender, Social and Cultural Processes, St. Stephen's
College, University of Delhi, Delhi

PROGRAMME

Day One, 4 April 2019

Registration: 9:00 a.m. onwards; Seminar Room

WELCOME ADDRESS: 9:30 a.m. - 10.00 a.m.; Seminar Room

Professor John Varghese, Principal, St. Stephen's College

Dr. Karen Gabriel, Head of Department, Department of English, St. Stephen's College

I. SESSION I: 10:00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.; Seminar Room

"Space, Representation and Embodiment"

Chair: Ms. Anju Paravathy

Speakers:

"The Architecture of Vigilantism and Escape in 'the Bad City': A Study of Ana Lily Amirpour's
A Girl Walks Home Alone at Night", Zahra Rizvi, Jamia Millia Islamia

"Antigone in Bengali: Keya Chakraborty and Utopian Embodiments", Souradeep Roy, JNU

"Man gotta live what he know": Cognitive Mapping and Utopia/Dystopia in The Wire", Shweta
Khilnani, Maitreyi College

11.30 a.m.-11.45 a.m.: **TEA BREAK**

II. SESSION II: 11:45 a.m.-1.15 p.m.; Seminar Room

"Colonialism, Orientalism, Historical Imaginations"

Chair: Dr. Amrita Tulika, Department of History, St. Stephen's College

Speakers:



“Anti-colonialism and the Utopian society in Chartist Literature: A reading of Ernest Jones’ *The New World*”, Thinkal Hasan, University of Delhi

“The Dystopic Image of Damascus in Alexander William Kinglake’s *Eothen*”, Lama Jamaledin Jneidy, Jamia Millia Islamia

“Text and Reality: Utopias and Heterotopias”, Suchintan Das, St. Stephen’s College

1.15 p.m.-2.00 p.m.: **LUNCH**

II. SESSION III: 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 a.m.; Seminar Room

“Utopias, Theories and Performances”

Chair: Dr. Smita Gandotra, Department of English, St. Stephen’s College

Speakers:

“The Gollancz Book of South Asian Science Fiction- a step towards defining a sub-genre”, Dr. Tarun K. Saint, Independent Researcher

“The Mess Outside: Thinking Utopia Beyond the Human”, Ms. Sumita Sharma, Shyam Lal College

Day Two, 5 April 2019

I. SESSION I: 9.30 a.m.-10.45 a.m.; Seminar Room

“Technologies and Futurisms”

Chair: Dr. Ashley NP, Department of English, St. Stephen’s College

Speakers:

“Feminism, Flux and Ecofeminism: *Blade Runner* and *Blade Runner 2049*”, Jigyasa Hasija, University of Delhi

““Happiness is What we Sell”: The Axiom as a Postmodern Utopia in *WALL-E*”, Laboni Mukherjee, Jadavpur University

“Beyond Utopia and Dystopia? - A Critical Study of Mamoru Oshii’s *Ghost in the Shell*”, Deeksha Yadav, University of Delhi

10.45 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.: **TEA BREAK**

II. SESSION II: 11:00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.; Seminar Room

Discussants: Sulthana Nasrin, Adreeta Chakraborty



Speaker:

Vishwyajyoti Ghosh

III. SESSION III: 12:00 p.m. - 1.15 p.m.; Seminar Room

“Politics and (Dis)Order”

Chair: Dr. Karen Gabriel, Department of English, St. Stephen's College

Speakers:

"Torture and Ritual in *The Handmaid's Tale*", Dr. Swatie, JMC College

"For the Love of Utopias", Kritika Chettri, University of North Bengal

"Dystopia as a Hysteric Expression of Utopia: Examination of the Excessive and Obsessive in *Virgin Fish of Babughat*", St. Stephen's College

1.15 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.: **LUNCH**

IV. SESSION IV: 2:00 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.; Seminar Room

“Post-Apocalyptic Visions”

Chair: Mr. Themeem T., Department of English, St. Stephen's College

Speakers:

"The Compulsion for a Dystopia/Utopia: An Analysis of the Apocalypse in Japanese Animation", Manjeera G, University of Delhi

"(S)he, who is (Dis)abled, Survives: Challenging Ableist Utopic Notions through Post-apocalypse Films", Shalini Chakraborty, Jadavpur University

"'Extinctathon' and human extinction: From playing a game to playing God in Margaret Atwood's *MaddAddam Trilogy*", Shraddha A. Singh, Jamia Millia Islamia

3.30 p.m. - 3.45 p.m.- **TEA BREAK**

V. SESSION V: 3:45 p.m. - 5.15 p.m.; Seminar Room

“Gender and Textuality”

Chair: Ms. Hannah Varkey, Department of English, St. Stephen's College

Speakers:



“Of Gender and Imagination: Articulating “The Mothers of Maya Diip” by Suniti Namjoshi”,
Aamir Qayoom Wani, University of Delhi

“*Sultana’s Dreams*, Lajo’s Reality: Unearthing Dystopian Moorings in a Utopian World”, Asra
Mamnoon, Jamia Millia Islamia

“Only ladies please: A Utopia for women in *The Adventures of Amir Hamza*”, Shaheen Saba,
Jamia Millia Islamia

“Penetration of the Masculine in Gilman’s *Herland*”, Madhulika R. Singh, St. Stephen’s College

VOTE OF THANKS: 5:15 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.; Seminar Room

Dr. Karen Gabriel, Head of Department, Department of English, St. Stephen’s College

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Report

Annual National Conference

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Texts, Utopias and Dystopias

Articulations of utopias and dystopias date back to the beginning of human civilization, variously from Platonic philosophic thought to modern socio-political and artistic imaginations. While utopia registers, as Northrop Frye notes, an "imaginative vision of the *telos* or the end at which social life aims", dystopia textualizes collective anxieties, speculations of and negotiations with "otherness" in a highly mobile socio-technological global landscape. In fact, the disjunction of these imaginative concepts with the existing world order not only provides the potential to critique and subvert the latter, but also to challenge the premises of its very 'reality'. Interestingly, utopic imaginative terrain also provides political possibilities for a critique of the present by various marginalized identities. For instances, the early twentieth century feminist utopian works of Rokeya Sakhawat Hussain or Kashibai Kanitkar, or the anti-caste utopian thought and art from Sant Ravidas's Begampura to Dr. Ambedkar's political vision, all largely explore the possibilities of an egalitarian future. However, the historical emergence of Western utopian thought and its association with the Renaissance-Enlightenment model of modernity makes volatile the vision's sustainability; adding momentum to more dystopic imaginations globally.

The private dystopias, such as those of Franz Kafka, or ideological dystopias such as those of Aldous Huxley, George Orwell, H.G. Wells, among several others, open up literary anxieties of modernity. Further, in recent times the renewed consolidation of populist right wing politics in several locations across the globe has provoked a re-entry of dystopias as textual spaces for contemplating fault-lines of class, religion, race, ethnicity and gender. From Margaret Atwood's dystopian landscapes which combine ecological spiralling with capitalist patriarchies, to the works of Suzanne Collins and Julie Mayhew which speculate on the nature of political and collective violence and its ties to multi-media spectacles, dystopias are being widely used to speculate on civilizational 'death drives'. Closer home, writers such as Manjula Padmanabham and Priya Sarukkai Chabria demonstrate the capacity of literary dystopias for speculating on gendered roles trapped in a time warp, of the fall out of technological 'advancement' on socio-cultural ethos and the idea of womanhood in a post-human society.

In this regard, with simultaneous and contradictory progressive and regressive perception of historical changes across the globe, what avenues do dystopias and utopias hold as a germane cultural form of our times? Can post-utopia then lead us to the dystopian visions of control, order and fascism? How have these notions penetrated into everyday lives, and reconstituted "reality"?

The two-day Annual National Conference invites research papers on some of the aforementioned conversations around utopian and dystopian imaginations in literature, visual media and other modes of textuality. Scholars may explore possible areas in the below mentioned topics, though not restricted to them:



Potential Sub Topics

- Representation and genres of utopic and dystopic imagination
- Speculative Fiction and dystopias
- Theoretical approaches to utopias and/or dystopias
- Utopic and anti-utopic imagination and State
- Utopia and pedagogy (Plato's Republic, Rousseau's Emile)
- Utopia and trauma
- Fiction and Anthropocene
- Utopian/dystopian geographies: urban, pastoral etc
- Artificial intelligence and virtualities

15. Advanced MS Excel Workshop by Dr. Priyanka Thakral



Advanced Excel Workshop