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Introduction: Spread over 21 acres of land, the sprawling campus of Smt. Aruna Asaf Ali Govt P.G. College, Kalka has a heavenly landscape –laden with fruit trees, colorful flowers, and a botanical garden, it is situated at the foothills of the beautiful Shivalik range. Ever since its inception in 1970, the institution has been spreading the light of education in the urban as well as the rural areas of not only Kalka, but also the adjoining towns of the state of Himachal Pradesh.

The college is running Bachelors Courses in: Humanities, Commerce and Science. In addition to this, it also offers BCA and Honours in B. Com. The college runs Post-Graduation in Commerce, Hindi, and Geography; and also two professional courses: PGDEM and PGDCA.

In the current session (2022-23), total student strength is 1373, out of which, 825 are girls and 548 are boys. With the commitment and dedication of the Principal, Ms. Kamna, and hard work of the teachers, the students are bringing laurels to the college, in academics as well as extra-curriculars.

The college was accredited with B+ grade by the NAAC in 2017, and the next inspection is on the cards.

<u>Staff</u>: Out of 58 sanctioned posts, regular teachers are working on 45 seats. I guest and 7 extension lecturers are working in various subjects to help compensate the shortage of staff. To manage the three computer labs efficiently, 2 computer instructors are working on contract basis, for teaching CCE. All the faculty members are hard-working and research oriented.

One of the Asst. Professors of English, Lt. Yashveer successfully completed the Refresher Course SD Part-I/139 as ANO, and received 'Certificate of Appreciation' at NCC Officers Training Academy, Kamptee, Nagpur. He was also detailed for Evaluation Board of Officers for NCC Certificate Examination.

Ms. Neetu Chaudhry was felicitated with a trophy and certificate by Hon'ble Governer of Haryana, Sh. Bandaru Duttatreya, for her contribution to the Indian Red Cross Society, Haryana State Branch.

Dr. Namita Sharma, a faculty in Commerce, completed her Doctorate from Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill; and has been notified in April 2022.

All the teaching-staff members actively participate in Faculty Development Programs, Short Term Courses, and Refresher Courses from time to time, to keep abreast with the latest trends in education.

Website:-

The college has its website that gives a glimpse of the college and its working. It is updated on daily basis; and is informative and authentic. The college is accessible at www.gckalka.edu.in

IQAC :-

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college, under the convenorship of Mr. Jaspal Toor, is making efforts to streamline and effectively document the working of the college, as per the UGC norms and instructions, which shall be helpful in the upcoming NAAC visit.

RTI:-

In compliance with the Right to Information Act -2005, the college has an active and responsible RTI cell, with Dr. Suresh Kumar as the SPIO (State Public Information Officer).

Scholarships and Stipends:-

In the current session, under Consolidated Stipend Scheme and Free Books Scheme for SC Students Pursuing Higher Studies, 238 SC students were provided an amount of Rs. 2000 for books and stipend of Rs.1000 per student - per month for 12 months. 15 BC students benefited from the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC, and DNT.

Cultural Activities:-

To enhance the overall personality of the students, particularly the freshers, Talent Search Contest was held in the college. This two-day program was organized under the aegis of Youth and Cultural Affairs Dept, KUK. More than 200 students participated in various items: speech, poetical symposium, mono-acting, mimicry, painting, playing instrumentals, quiz, singing and dancing. The prize winners were given eash prizes as per the university norms.

The commended and recommended items were sent for participation in the Zonal Youth Festival.

Sports:-

Under the dynamic leadership of Sh Kuldeep Beniwal, the college organized the one-of-its-kind mega event: Inter Department T-20 Cricket Tournament, in which the teams from various Govt. Depts. of Haryana played cricket matches on weekends, over a period of 5 months: July 2022 to January 2023, at Tau Devi Lal Stadium, Panchkula.

The college also hosted the Inter-Collegeiate State Baseball (Men) and Softball (Women) Tournaments from 15th to 19th November 2022, in the college stadium.

During the session, the students of the college participated in the Inter-College Tournaments of: Taekwando, Baseball, Softball, Football, Wrestling, Cricket, and Athletics, under the training of Mr Hardeep.

NCC:-

NCC SD (Boys Unit) GC Kalka functions under the supervision of ANO, Associate NCC Officer, Dr. Yashveer, a trained ANO. The Unit has an intake of 53 cadets including I, II and III Year.

- During the session 2022-23, 32 cadets participated in CATC (Combined Annual Training Camp) in June 2022.
- Five NCC Cadets were selected for Army Attachment Camp in the September 2022.

- Eighteen Cadets took part in the ATC Camp at Kanipla from 04 Dec. to 13 Dec. 2022.
- Twenty One (21) Cadets appeared in NCC 'B' Cert Examination and Twelve Cadets (12) appeared in NCC 'C' Cert Examination during the session 2022-23.

NCC SW (Girls Unit) too functions under the supervision of a trained ANO, Dr Gurpreet Kaur.

- 4 cadets underwent the Disaster Management training organized by NITSRDR, ITBP, Ramgarh, Panchkula from 22.08.2022 to 23.08.2022
- 18 second year cadets & 12 final year cadets went for ANNUAL TRAINING CAMP in Dec 2022, at GIMT Kanipla. The cadets won overall trophy for their cultural performance "Himachali Dance Naati".
- Priyanka, a cadet of NCC Girls Unit, was honored by Governor of Haryana Sh. Bandaru Duttatreya, for her performance at Kartavya Path in Republic Day Parade held at New Delhi, 2023. She was awarded with cash prize of Rs. 21000, trophy and a certificate.

<u> NSS:-</u>

The NSS volunteers are doing community service, under the Programme officers Mr. Sonu Kumar and Ms. Sarita Rani. The volunteers have been trained to believe in the motto- 'Not me, But you'. The activities conducted during the session include Swachhta Pakhwada, Mega Cleanliness Drive with the cooperation of the Chief Sanitary Inspector from Municipal Council, Kalka. The NSS volunteers also participated in National Integration Camp at KUK, and Aapda Mitra Training Camp during the session 2022-23.

College Library:-

The college has a fully equipped library with a total no. of 32297 books, out of which 31846 have been automated. The library has membership of INFLIBNET, thus facilitating the availability of unlimited number of journals in every branch of study. 28 magazines and 09 newspapers in Hindi and English are available in the library. Ms. Kiran, Junior Librarian is working on expediting the automation of the remaining books.

College Magazine:- Shivalika

The college magazine, *Shivalika*, is a venture taken up to give a platform to the students and staff where they can display their creative talent through writing. Earlier the magazine used to be distributed in print form but 2020 onwards, Emagazine has been launched to keep pace with the advancement in technology. Now, the students, teachers as well as general public can access the magazine by visiting the college website –anytime, anywhere. College magazine of the session 2022-23 has been uploaded on the college website in April 2023.

The editorial board includes:-

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Dr. Bindu Sharma

Hindi and College News

Sh. Jagpal

Punjabi

Dr. Pradeep

Sanskrit

Dr. Indu

Science

Dr Ragini

Commerce and Women Cell

Women Studies and Development Cell

Under the convenorship of Dr. Ragini, the Women Cell of the college organized One Day National Seminar on Women's Work-Life Balance. The seminar was sponsored by DGHE Haryana. The keynote speaker was Dr. Jayanti Dutta, Director, HRDC, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

In addition to this, a six-day workshop on "Nukkad Natak", a four-day workshop on Folder Making, another six-day workshop on Canvas Art, and various other competitions were organized by the cell.

Three extension lectures were held on topics related to empowerment of women: Legal Awareness and Cyber Crime, Financial Literacy, and Job Opportunities.

Earn While You Learn:-

Under the 'Earn While You Learn' scheme, 13 students of the college were placed in various labs, library and office, to work for three months ie from October to December, 2022, @ Rs.100/-per hour, per student. Total grant of Rs. 50000 was received for this session, out of which 49000 was utilized.

Legal Literacy Cell:-

Under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Services Authority and DGHE, 'Students Legal Awareness Program' was organized, in which various competitions like essay writing, quiz, painting etc. were held at Dist., Division and State levels in April,2023. The Quiz Competition at State level was conducted by Smt. Aruna Asaf Ali Govt. P.G. College, Kalka in collaboration with Sri Mata Mansa Devi Govt. Sanskrit College, Panchkula. All these awareness programs and competitions were organized by the Legal Literacy Cell of the college under the convenorship of Dr Virendra Atwal.

Placement Cell:-

Under the convenorship of Ms. Sunita Chauhan, the cell has been playing an active role in getting students prepared for jobs around them. Extension lectures were conducted during this session, on various significant topics, like: Job Opportunities after Bachelors as well as Masters in Science, and in Commerce, IELTS, interview skills, and Civil Services Exam preparation, Cloud Computing, Web development and Cyber Security.

Gen. V.P. Malik, Rtd. Army Chief of India, gave a motivational lecture and shared his life experiences.

In another extension lecture, Mr. R.K. Rao and Mr. Raja Mahendra, from Air Force Station Ambala, guided the students about the Agniveer Training and Recruitment.

Entrepreneurship Development Club:-

Under the able guidance of Sh. Suresh Kumar, the ED Cell of the college sent two students to participate in the Startups/Entrepreneurship/ Exhibition organized by KUK at the university campus in August 2022. These students exhibited and also sold some of their products.

The Cell also organized One-Day Workshop on "Entrepreneurship Development". CEO of Start-Up Accelarator Chamber of Commerce, India, was the resource person and mentor.

Tour and Trips:-

In the current session the grant of Rs. 40000 was received for boys' tours, which was almost fully consumed. Dr. Pradeep, incharge of the tour committee, arranged a one-day trip to Bhakhra Dam, Anandpur Sahib and Mata Naina Devi, on 19-12-2023, which benefited 90 students. Two buses were arranged @ Rs 34999. Two faculty members, along with the attending staff, accompanied the students on this trip.

Various departments of the college also keep organizing short self-financed trips to various places for education and excursion purposes.

Red Cross Society/ Red Ribbon Club:

Ms. Neetu Chaudhry, the incharge of the club, along with the students, attended two 'Red Ribbon Club' training programs in the month of August, 2022.

The Red Cross Society organized a Blood Donation Camp in December, which was highly successful. Also, a Dist. Level Red Cross Training Camp was organized in February, 2023.

On International Youth Day, a rally and a skit on prevention of HIV/ AIDS were organized. The students participated in the State Level RRC Quiz competition in Panchkula, and also in the St John Ambulance Competition held in Jind.

Literary Society:-

Under the supervision of Dr. Meenu Khyalia, the Literary Club 'Shabd Shilp' keeps organizing various literary activities for the enhancement of the drama, recitation, speech and language skills of the students. The major activities of the club in this session were: Essay Writing Competition on Sri Aurobindo's 150° birth anniversary, a two-day Workshop on Reading and Recitation in which the teachers of the Departments of English, Hindi, Sanskrit, and Punjabi acted as the Resource Persons; and Screening of the movie/ documentary/ short film adapted from famous literary compositions by major writers. The members of the club include all the teachers of the 4 language departments.

Science Society:-

B. Sc. III medical student Himani was awarded POSE (Promotion of Science Education Scheme) Scholarship for three years in session 2020-21 by Haryana State Council for Science, Innovation and Technology.

Our BSc students stood first in the Science Quiz and Science Essay Writing Competition at the Dist. Level.

BSc (Medical) students were taken on an educational trip to Jatayu Breeding Centre, and Herbal Garden in Pinjore.

Commerce Society:

On the occasion of National Management Day, the Commerce Society, under the convenorship of Ms. Sheetal Mangla, organized a two-day Commerce Fest "Palaash" on 20th – 21th Feb, 2022. It was a mega event comprising of Business and Management related competitions and some cultural activities.

Apart from this, "Budget Pe Charcha" was organized in February, which gave the young students a chance to express their views on the Annual Budget of India.

Alumni Committee:-

The college has its own Alumni Association, managed by Dr. Meenu Khyalia. New members are added to the association every year. 93 new members have been added in the current session. The members are connected via WhatsApp,

Facebook, and e-mail; and they attend various academic, cultural and sports activities organized by the college.

Mentorship:

Under Ms. Ena Ahuja's convenorship, the Mentor Groups of the students are being run smoothly through Tutorial Periods and also through WhatsApp, which has made the dissemination of information convenient, fast and hassle-free.

<u>Day Celebration</u>:- The Day Celebration Committee of the college organizes programs on all special days of international, national, social, or cultural importance. During the current session, the committee successfully organized functions on National Youth Day, Teachers Day, Sardar Patel Jayanti, National Voters Day, Van Mahotsava, Hindi Diwas, in addition to Republic day, Independence day, Gandhi Jayanti.

Apart from these, Rallies, Drives and Marches are organized by the committee on various important occasions.

State Level Grants:

The college received handsome grants for the session 2022-23, the amount of which is as follows:

Lab Augmentation and Science Exhibition: 2,73,178

Sports and Baseball Tournament: 8,85,441

Cricket Tournament: 5,00,000

OE: 80,000

Road Safety Club: 17,900

Earn while you learn: 50,000

Placement cell: 11,500

Women cell: 50,000

WSDC Seminar: 50,000

Library: 1,50,000

Boys' tours: 40,000

The college is constantly striving to reach perfection in education, and is fast heading towards its goal.

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