***Annual Report 2020-21***

***Department of Political Science***

***“Education is the kindling of a flame, not the filling of a vessel.”- Socrates***

Under the guidance of its teachers and Teacher In Charge**, Mr. Mani Sagar**, the *Department of Political Science,* has been steadily trying to foster amongst its student, a critical and innovative way of thinking as well as it has engaged with them to show multiple perspectives of an issue and develop analytical skills of these young minds, which will help them to further grow into responsible citizens of the country.

The academic session year 2020-2021 started amidst a global pandemic, with a lot of uncertainties, when the conventional way of learning had to undergo a transformational change and all of us had to adopt to these changes within a record period of time.

Because of the perseverance of the students and teachers, the department successfully made the requisite shift without compromising on its unwavering spirit of intellectual stimulation and interaction. Despite all the hurdles learning prevailed. As the classes moved from physical to online mode, various lectures, competitions and events also moved to the virtual platforms.

Not only did the department organized intra department events but also inter and intra college events for widening the discipline-specific concerns through an interdisciplinary approach. By utilizing the interdisciplinary orientation, the department aimed at nurturing an inclusive and critical space as an ode to democratized and egalitarian learning.

***HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR-***

* The Department organized a four- day Virtual International Workshop on the theme “Current Trajectory of India’s Foreign Policy” from June 17-20, 2020. The Programme Coordinator of this Workshop was **Mr. Mani Sagar,** and the co-coordinators were **Dr.** **Naresh Kumar Tyagi, and Mr. Jeetendra Kumar**. Students and faculty members from over 40 Universities worldwide participated in it. The workshop held interactions and insightful deliberation, on several themes of eminence in Indian foreign policy. There were over five hundred registered participants, including over 250 students, and 194 faculty members, including those from non-university institutions. A daily average of 170 participants joined the proceedings. 17 prominent panelists, who represented a wide range of academic interests from across the globe, addressed the gathering. These included- **Prof. Umaberto Sulpasso**, Professor, Sr. fellow, center for Digital Future, University for Southern California; **Dr. Amit Ranjan**, Research Fellow, Institute of South Asian studies, National university of Singapore, **Dr. Priya Ranjan**, Assistant Professor, Central University of Gujarat, India and West Asia; **Dr. Ranjan Kumar**, Associate Professor, Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies, School of International Studies, JNU; **Dr CSR Murthy**, Professor CIPOD School of International Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi; **Dr.Punit Gaur**, Director of the centre for G-Global and The Great Silk Road Projects Development & Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Regional Studies at L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University , Astana, Kazakhstan; **Dr.Rajiv Ranjan,** Assosiate Professor at College of Liberal Arts, Shanghai University, Shanghai, China **Mr.Sameer Patil**, Fellow, International Security Studies programme, Gateway House, Former Assistant Director at the National Security Council Secretariat in Prime Minister's office, New Delhi; **Dr.Tribhuvan Prasad**, Professor, Department of African Studies, University of Delhi; **Dr.Nawal Paswan,** Professor,Central University of Sikkim ; **Dr.B.R Deepak,** Professor, Centre of Chinese and South East Asian Studies, School of Language Literature and Culture Studies, JNU; **K.P Fabian** Retired IFS, Former Ambassador; **Manish Tourangban,** Assistant Professor, Department of Geopolitics and international Relations, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE),Karnataka **Dr.Prabir De,** Professor, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS).

* A Virtual Farewell – **ADIÓS’20** was organized for *Batch of 2020* on 7th July 2020 to bid them adieu. Some videos were prepared with the help of the teachers and students alike to give the outgoing batch a trip down the memory lane. Individual titles were also given to the batch. Miss/Mr Farewell Competition and various games were also organized to add some fun in the otherwise nostalgic environment.
* On 8th October 2020, Second year and third year members of the team were inducted in the department team and an **outreach program** was started for the upcoming batch to help them with the admission process.
* On 28th November 2020, an **Acclimation** was held for the first years to familiarize them with the department and solve their various queries regarding College, faculty, extra curricular activities and the subject, etc.
* On 4th December 2020, **Study Material,** compiled by the team in both *Hindi and English* along with all the information regarding various societies, academic calendar and previous year question papers were provided to the first year students.
* Volunteers from first year were inducted in the team to have a wider and inclusive ensemble on 5th January 2021
* **Study materials** for the second and third year students in both *Hindi and English* were shared with them on 11th January 2021.
* A two day *department fest-* **POLIT-O-MATIC- 2021** was successfully held on 11th and 12th February. Under which the following intra college events took place to show the cooperation and relentless efforts of the department in churning the talents and providing platforms to groom the potential :-
  + *Vartalap*- Group discussion
  + *Animatoon*- Cartoon making competition
  + *Exámen*- Quiz competition
  + *Pol-Sol*- Video making competition
  + *Aalekh*- Article writing competition.
* **AAGAZ'20-** Fresher’s party was organized on 6th March 2021 to welcome *Class of 2023.* With a lot of razzle and dazzle, the seniors prepared a musical tribute and captured the pains of online classes with a “*Selfie video”. Miss and Mr Freshers* competition, Political Mimicry and games like identifying songs and movies theough emoji, Treasure Hunt and Guess the politician followed by interaction between the seniors and juniors made the whole day memorable.
* With the *OBE-Online Book Exams ,* around the corner a **Query session** was held for the First year on 10th March 2021
* To commemorate the Shaheeds- Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev and Rajguru on **SHAHEEDI DIWAS** an *Intra College Quiz Competition,* **Geek-Ó-Wiz 2.0** was organized on 23rd March 2021 based on the lives of these Martyrs.
* An interactive session to commemorate **SALT SATYAGRAHA,** was organized in collaboration with the *GANDHI STUDY CIRCLE* on 6th March, 2021. With the eminent speakers-
  + ***Dr. Priya Ranjan Kumar***Assistant Professor, School of social sciences, Central university of Gujarat.
  + ***Dr. Sanjay Srivastava*** Professor, Department of Political Science, Banaras Hindu University.
* An Inter College 2 days program was organized in collaboration with *SC/ST CELL* on 12th and 13th of April, 2021 to commemorate 130th birth anniversary of***Dr. Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar.*** 
  + On *Day One* *intercollegiate event*s namely Poster Making, Quiz Competition, Just a Minute were held virtually on the theme revolving around the principles, life and work of Dr. Ambedkar.
  + On *Day Two,* a *special lecture* was organized on the topic WAITING FOR VISA: IDEA OF HOMELAND which was given by ***Professor N. Sukumar***, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi where he shared his knowledge and thoughts about Ambedkar’s work as a maker of constitution as an economist, an avid social reformer and an intellectual.

As the Discipline of Political Science equips students with an understanding of the political institutions and laws that governs all, sharpens students’ understanding of organizational dynamics, human relations, and hones their writing, communication, and statistical skills. The ***Department of Political Science*** *Shaheed Bhagat Singh Evening College* through its various initiatives and efforts have tried to inculcate all the above values amongst its student. Through the constant efforts by its student and teachers it has bought various accolades to the college and will continue to work towards making its students aware citizens, in the words of **Dr. BR AMBEDKAR**-

“***Freedom of mind is the real freedom. A person whose mind is not free though he may not be in chains is a slave, not a free man.”***

***OFFICE BEARERS***

With *Mr. Mani Sagar*, at the helm of the team of 21 students nurtured the department with his leadership, hard work and vision. The office bearers of the academic session 2020-2021 year are-

* President- Vaibhavi Gupta (3rd year)
* Hindi Content Team-
  + Head- Ranjeet Kumar (3rd year)
  + Volunteers- Diksha Singh and Sahil Raj (1st year)
* English Content Team-
  + Head- Sanu Varghese (2nd year)
  + Volunteers- Garima Bhainsora and Deepak Pokhriyal (1st year)
* IT Team-
  + Head- Kartik Kanojia (2nd year)
  + Volunteers- Khushi Gupta and Vijay Patel (1st year)
* Creativity and Illustrations-
  + Head- Saloni Singh (2nd year)
  + Volunteers- Megha Bawari and Jaya Mondal (1st year)
* Student Outreach-
  + Head- Satyaveer Yadav (2nd year)
  + Volunteers- Ananya Malhotra (1st year)
* Research and Innovation-
  + Head- Abhishek Shahi (2nd year)
  + Volunteers- Ashish Anand and Aryan Rai (1st year)
* Event Coordinators- Hrithik Saw and Arjun Rajput (2nd year)
* Social Media- Gayatri Singh (2nd year)

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