

Department of Political Science

Throughout the academic session the department remained brimming with activities with each activity related to fulfilling our commitment to engage students and faculty with our subject beyond class rooms. As a start on 9th April 2019 we organized a day long consultation in collaboration with Dr. Ambedkar Chair in Social Justice at the Indian Institute of Public Administration. Our Guest of Honour was Prof. Sushma Yadav, Vice-Chancellor of Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya, Sonapat and our Special Guest was Prof. C. Sheela Reddy, Chair Professor, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Chair, IIPA. At the sidelines of this event we also organized a series of competitions including poster-making and creative writing where students made spirited participation. The creativity of our Honours students along with BA Programme students was again at full display on 23rd Aug 2019 when another creative writing competition was held on topics based on the choice of each student-participant. On 3rd Sept 2019, the department organized a trip to Ambedkar Memorial at New Delhi. 52 students visited the memorial under the guidance of three faculty members from the department. The department each year organizes a special debate among students under faculty stewardship on a very contemporary topic of major political significance. This year the debate focused on the theme of abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu & Kashmir. As always the debate spanned across hours wherein number of students presented their views and cross-questioned each other. The department has always strived to make serious academic interventions and this year on 18th Oct 2019 we organized a National Seminar on the theme ‘Strategic Scape of India’s Foreign Policy: Looking Forward’. Students and faculty gained immensely from the fascinating lecture delivered by very eminent scholar and Chief Guest Prof. Harsh V. Pant, Professor of International Relations, Department of Defence Studies, Indian Institute at Kings College, London. Our Guest of Honour was Prof. Rumki Basu, Professor, Department of Political Science, Jamia Millia Islamia and Dr. Manan Dwivedi from the Indian Institute of Public Administration was our Special Invitee for the occasion. Each one of them interacted with students on various issues related to India’s foreign policy. In yet another highly relevant and significant activity our students were taken to witness the Budget Session proceedings at the Indian Parliament on 10th Feb 2020. Led by two of our faculty members the students were enthralled to view and hear from close proximity eminent politicians like former union minister Sh. P. Chidambaram, current finance minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman and former PM Dr. Manmohan Singh. The rare experience remains etched into the memories of our students. Students also elected their representatives to departmental Statecraft Society on 30th Sept 2019. Each of the student representatives showcased their best of abilities throughout their tenure. We wish to convey our heartfelt gratitude to our honourable Principal Sir Dr. Rakesh Kumar Gupta for always being there to support us in all our endeavours.

Dr. Triranjana Raj (Teacher-in-charge)

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