



VARTIKA

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Vision

Government Degree College R.S. Pura envisions to be an institute committed to the pursuit of academic excellence. It aims to create conducive ambiance for teaching-learning process in the campus. It further envisages to inculcate ethical and moral values in the students to make them responsible citizens of tomorrow.

Mission

- To provide students with ample opportunities for optimum development of their talents.
- To inculcate among students the quality of honesty, integrity, creativity, self discipline and simplicity for their comprehensive development.
- To strive to equip the campus with latest ICT tools at par with the institutes of academic excellence.
- To augment entrepreneurial skills and technical knowledge of the students by organizing various skill enhancement courses in collaboration with approved Government agencies.
- To develop higher degree of perseverance among the students to achieve their future targets in life.
- To make the students versatile by developing their multi-dimensional personalities.

From The Principal's Desk



I am elated to present before you VIIth volume of Newsletter VARTIKA. This is an occasion of celebration for all of us since it is being released after a long gap. A college newsletter is a souvenir that documents achievements of the students and staff as it leaves behind a trail of legacy for the prospective generations to follow and evolve over.

This college Newsletter is a reflection of the multifaceted development of the young learners who are buzzing with activity throughout the session inspite of facing Covid-19 pandemic. Through this newsletter, I hope that the student community will realize and achieve the blessings of a fully active and successful college life, useful to themselves and to the country - a life in which the intellect may be roused, the emotions trained and social instincts are given proper expression. It is pertinent to mention that our highly qualified and competent teaching faculty has taken personal pains to motivate and encourage the students as we are committed to maintain the impeccable image of the institution. This institution has the broad objective of being an active agent of change by responding to the needs and challenges of the times. This is achieved basically through the process of education and training.

A good system of education inculcates the principles of humanity. Right education includes development of a caring community, exercising concern and respect for the welfare of others and emphasizing the overriding importance of good human relations based upon sensitivity, tolerance and good will. Education is the progressive discovery of one's ignorance, learning how to learn is the basis of education. Character building always remain the prime purpose of education.

The College Newsletter also helps in building up teamwork which is very much needed today in the world of competition. It provides a platform for exposing the merits and academic achievements of the faculty. This enhances the documentation culture of the institute. This would definitely create an impact in the minds of readers by way of providing larger visibility and dimension to the campus. Efforts to groom the students to serve the society are progressing. We still believe in Robert Frost's lines:

*Woods are lovely dark and deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep
And miles to go before I sleep.*

I congratulate the Editorial Board for bringing out this volume of the Newsletter and hope that this culture of releasing Newsletter remains steadfast.

Dr. G.S. Rakwal
Principal

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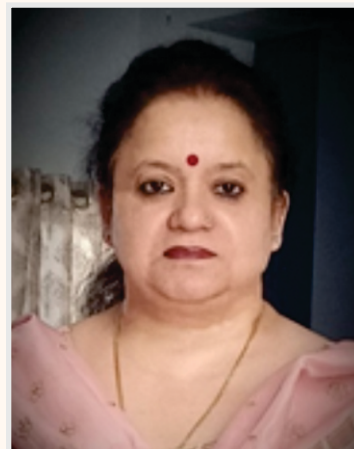
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Editor's Note

It is with immense pleasure that I am given the opportunity to work on the seventh volume of the college newsletter. As we all know, a newsletter mirrors a college – its vision and mission. It also highlights events, activities, academic prowess and achievements. Proper communication plays a vital role in institution's development. This newsletter will serve to reinforce and allow increased awareness, improved interaction and integration among all of us.

This newsletter is intended to be published twice a year. This volume is a brief account of the important events held upto August, 2021. This is only a step towards a long journey. Govt. Degree College R.S. Pura under the supervision of Dr. Gurdev Singh Rakwal, Principal of the college has successfully adapted to the challenges posited by COVID-19. While our college smoothly transitioned from offline to online mode of teaching, the extracurricular activities and creative fields remained unaffected. I extend my heartiest thanks to all the staff members and students who helped me in bringing out the VIIth volume of VARTIKA.



Dr. Neena Gupta

Introduction to College

The college is located in the border town of Ranbir Singh Pura which actually is named after the famous Dogra ruler Maharaja Ranbir Singh. Established in the year 2005 the college caters to the needs of people living in and around the town of R. S. Pura. Students from the peripheral villages receive quality education and are offered subjects in both Arts and Science streams. Apart from academics NCC, NSS, Skill courses etc. are also offered to students for their wholesome development. Equal opportunities are given to both boys and girls and the college provides support to needy students in form of scholarships. The college is well equipped with science and computer labs.



Career Counselling Cell

- A One day Webinar on "*E – Counselling*" was organized in collaboration with District Employment and Counselling Centre (DECC), Jammu on 14th January 2021.
- One day Workshop was conducted on the topic "*Explore the Magic Within You*" on 30th January 2021 in collaboration with DECC (District Employment & Counselling Centre) Jammu organised a career counselling session on 12th Feb. 2021 at 1 P.M.



- Organized lecture on *Career Opportunities in Merchant Navy* in collaboration with District Employment and Counselling Centre (DECC), Jammu



- Organized a webinar on *Tech Bee Career Programme* in collaboration with District Employment and Counselling Centre (DECC), Jammu

"In order to succeed, your desire for success should be greater than your fear of failure".

Activities Conducted By Nss Unit



National Girl Child Day on
Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
(Save the Girl Child,
Educate the Girl Child) 24.1.21



National Voter's Day celebration
on 25.01.2021



46th International Women's Day
Celebrations by Greeting Card Making
on 08.03.2021



Online Poster Making /Slogan Writing
Competition to celebrate the
World No Tobacco Day on 31.05.2021

"Knowing yourself is the beginning of wisdom"

Activities Conducted By NCC



Celebrated *National Voter's Day* by organizing the Pledge Ceremony 25.01.2021



Organized an Online Multi-Lingual Mushaira on *The Vast of Azadi* in collaboration with Cultural and Literary Committee on 09.07.2021



Kargil Vijay Diwas: Lt. Shaveta Chowdhary along with Cadets visited the home of Shahid Rfn. Tarsem Lal from village Gandly, Salehar who attained martyrdom on 10th June, 1999 during Kargil war. The cadets also visited the statue of Shahid Tarsem Lal, cleaned it and paid floral tributes to the brave soldier on 26.07.2021.



National Handloom Day: Inaugurated AZADI SAPTAH under *Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav*, a visual chart exhibition cum competition on *Revive the Weave* to commemorate the Swadeshi movement on 07.08.2021.



Organized a Statue Cleaning activity on 10.08.2021.



Organised Greeting Card Competition as part of AZADI SAPTAH on 12.08.2021.

***"If you cannot fly then run,
If you cannot run then walk,
If you cannot walk then crawl,
But whatever you do you have to keep moving forward"***

Flag Hoisting Ceremony



Republic Day



Independence Day



Celebration of *Sadhbhawana Diwas* on 20.08.2021



Two Day Integrated Communication and Outreach Programme: The Field Outreach Bureau, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Govt. of India, Rajouri in collaboration with Government Degree College, R.S.Pura launched two day integrated communication and outreach programme under *Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav*. A Discover India quiz was conducted and was followed by Fit India Freedom Run starting from village Chohala to GDC R.S.Pura on 28.08.2021.



A seminar on Role of Freedom Fighters in India's Freedom Struggle was organized in collaboration with the Field Outreach Bureau, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting on 29.08.2021.

Organized an awareness rally on *World water day*

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us."

Science Club



National Science Day: ➤ The Science Club organized two day celebrations conducting an essay writing competition on 25th February and Poster Making competition on *Future of STI: Impacts on Education, Skill and Work* on 26.02.2021 ➤ Organised one day webinar on *Plastic waste Management* on 05-08-2021

Winter Camp (NSS Unit)

(1ST FEB. TO 8TH FEB., 2021)



Inauguration of Winter Camp



Poster Making Competition
on *Wetland Conservation*



Rangoli Competition on
Beti Bachao Beti Padhao



Visit to Bal Niketan, R. S. Pura



Debate on the Teachings and Philosophy of Gandhi ji



Prize Distribution



Certificate Distribution

Activities Conducted By EBSB Club



Lecture on a *Life and Teachings of Ramakrishna Pramhansa* to celebrate 185th Birth Anniversary of Ramakrishna Pramhansa on 16.03.2021



Online Cultural Programme on *Duggar Da Lavan Te Libas* on 24.06.2021



Online Food Fest on
Duggar da Khaan-Paan on 13.07.2021

***"Do not wait to strike till the iron is hot;
but make it hot by striking."***

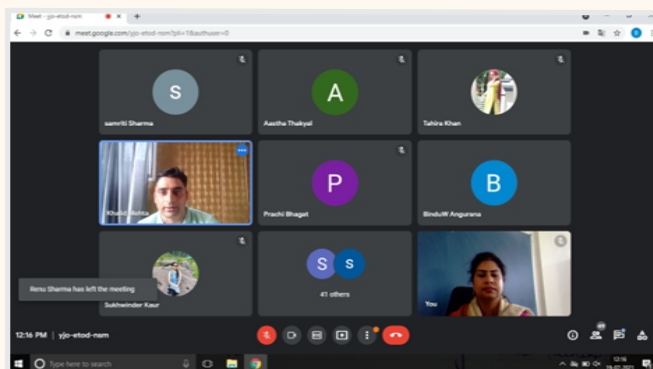
Department Of Botany



Poster Making Competition on
World Water Day 22.3.2021



International Biodiversity Day :Organized
Essay Writing Competition on
We're part of the solution #For Nature
on 22.05.2021



Online Lecture on *Connect, Nourish and
Protect Nature for a better Future*
on 19.07.2021



Online Poster Making/Slogan
Competition Celebrating
World Nature Conservation Day
on 28.07.2019

Department Of Physical Education



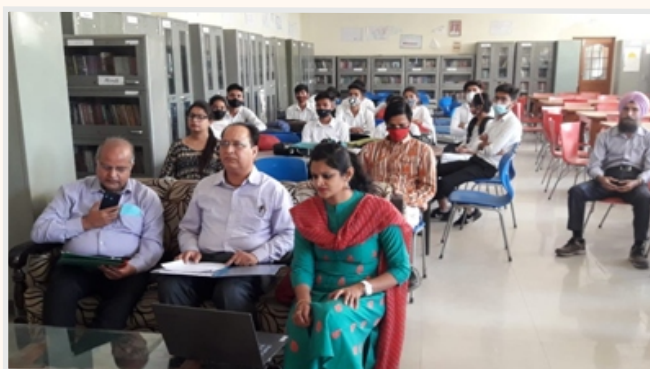
Participation in *Hiking and Trekking Expedition (Women's)* in the Terrains of Mansarin the Month of March 2021
Organised by University of Jammu



Poster Making Competition conducted on 19-05-2021

"If you do not hope, you will not find what is beyond your hopes."

Department Of Mathematics



Organized National Webinar Series on *Mathematical Analysis* in Collaboration with Department of Applied Mathematics, BGSBU, Rajouri, (J&K), UTW.e.f 31-03-2021 to 03-04-2021

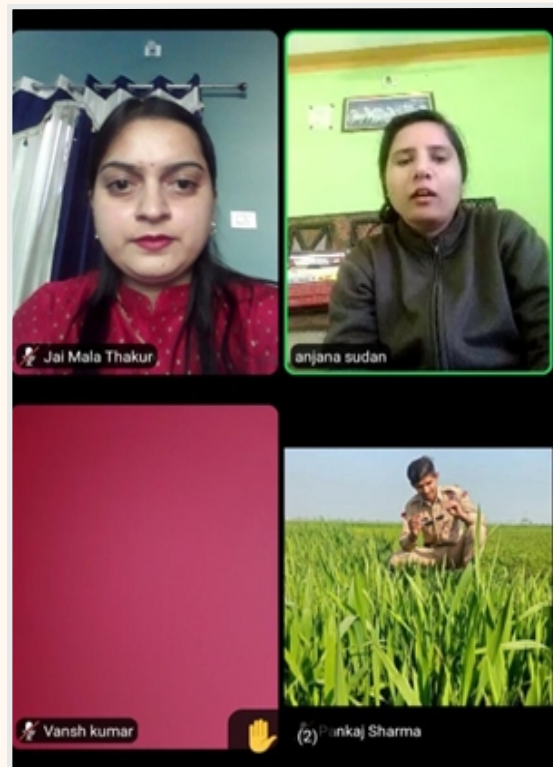


Organized Intercollegiate Online Poster making Competition on Mathematics w.e.f 30-08-2021 to 01-09-2021

Department Of Sociology

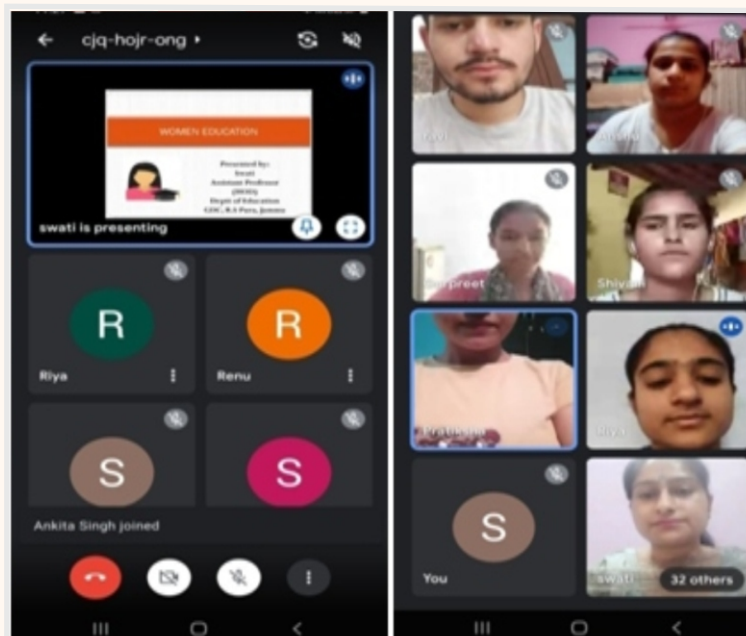


An online Extension lecture on *Problems of Tribes* on 06.04.2021



Online Guest Lecture to Commemorate the *National Panchayati Raj Day* by Ms. Anjana Sudan, KAS (Block Development Officer) on 24.04. 2021

Department Of Education



An online lecture on *Women Education* on 18.04.2021



Celebrated *World Environment Day* on 05.06. 2021

Activities Conducted Under The Banner Of Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav By Cultural And Fine Arts Committee



Commemoration of *Jallianwala Bagh Day*
on 12.04.2021



Celebration of *Ambedkar Jayanti* by organising
a Lecture on life, philosophy and contribution of
Dr. B.R. Ambedkar on 14.04.2021.



An Online Poster Making Competition on
India's Rich Culture and Heritage
on 12.05.2021



Online Lecture on *Duggar Pradesh De Rukh Butey* by
Dr. O.P. Sharma Vidyarthi, Retired Principal Chief Conservator
of Forests, J&K and Sahitya Academy Awardee on 26.02.2021



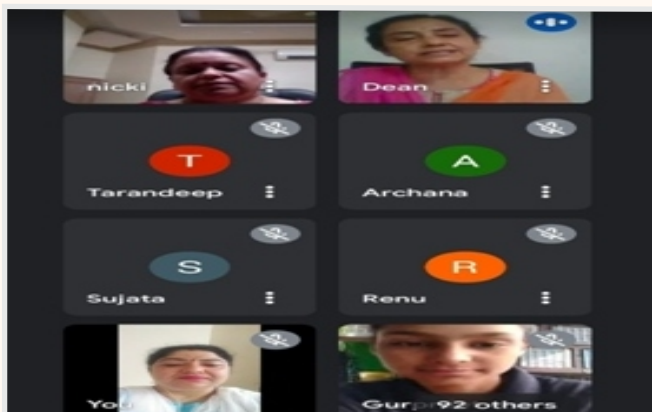
Received First Prize in National Anthem Singing Competition 2021 at District Level at Teacher Bhawan, Gandhi Nagar on 13.08.2021

"The right to know is like the right to live. It is fundamental and unconditional in its assumption that knowledge, like life, is a desirable thing."

Department Of English

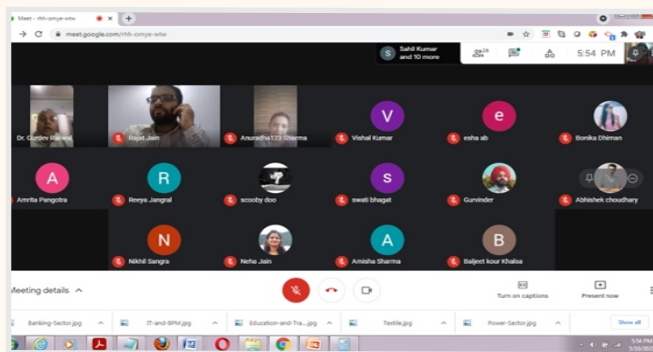


Organized One Day Seminar to Celebrate *English Language Day* on 23.04.2021 and Certificates were given to the participants



An Online Lecture on *Effective Communication Skills and Personality Development* delivered by Dr. Geetanjali A. Rana, Dean Faculty of Arts, School of Humanities and Liberal Arts, Cluster University of Jammu on 27.07.2021.

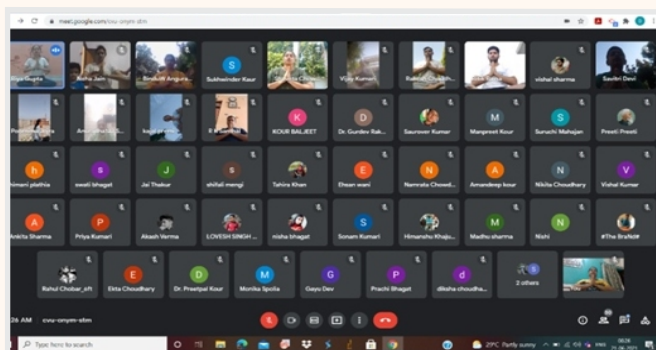
Department Of Computer Application



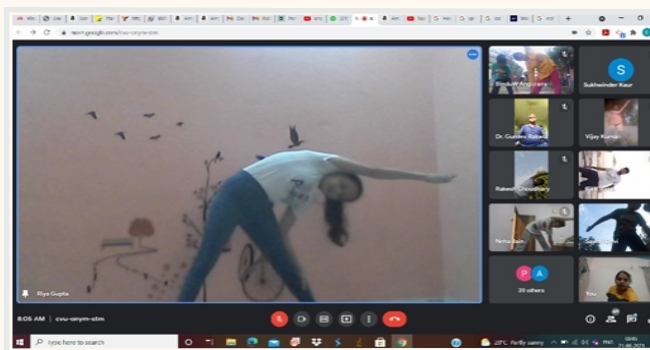
Organized webinar to celebrate *National Technology Day* on 11.05.2021

"To be a man is, precisely, to be responsible."

Department Of Physics

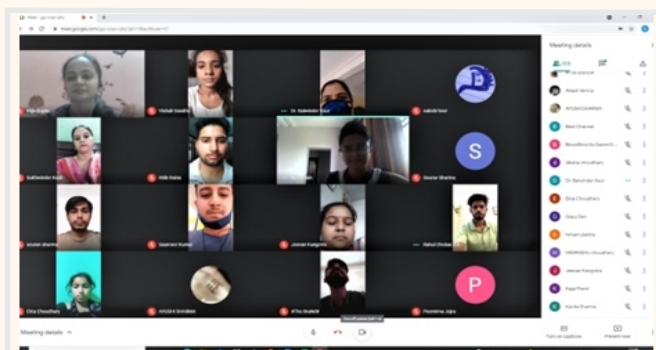


Online Lecture by Ms. Riya Gupta
on *Benefits of Yoga* on 15.06.2021

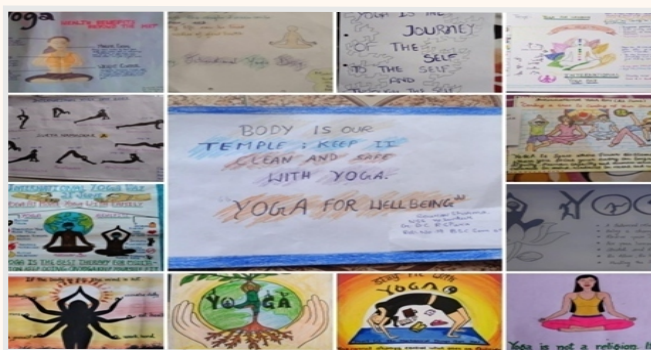


Live Session of Yoga Performing Different
Asanas by Ms. Riya Gupta, Yoga Expert.

7th International Yoga Day Celebrations (NSS Unit) (15th June to 21st June 2021)



Online Lecture on *Benefits of Yoga* by
Ms. Riya Gupta Yoga expert on 15.06.2021



Online Poster Making/Slogan Writing Competition
on *Yoga for Well Being* on 16.06.2021



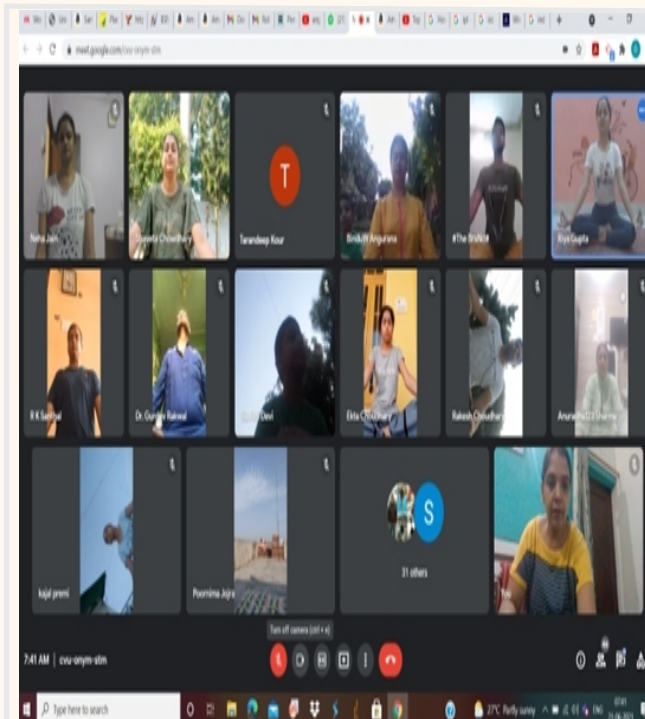
Online Yoga Practices # *Yoga At Home, Yoga with Family* on 17.06.2021



Online Essay Writing Competition on *Yoga as a Way of Life* on 18.06.2021

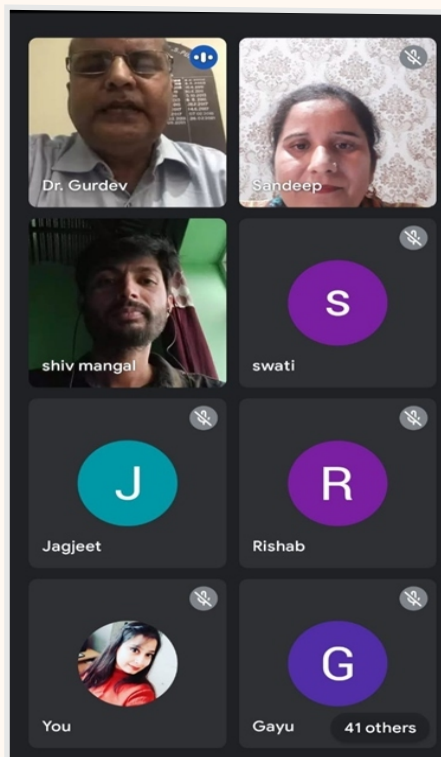


Online Poetry Recitation / *Yoga Geet* Competition on 19.06.2021



Online Yoga Asanas on 21.06.2021

Psychology Cell



Online lecture on *Stress Management* on 10.07.2021

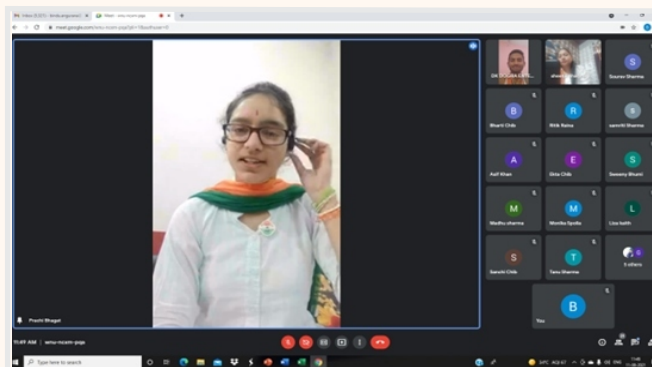
75th Independence Day Celebrations (NSS Unit) (9th August To 15th August 2021)



Online Poster Making/Slogan
Writing Competition



Online Rangoli Competition



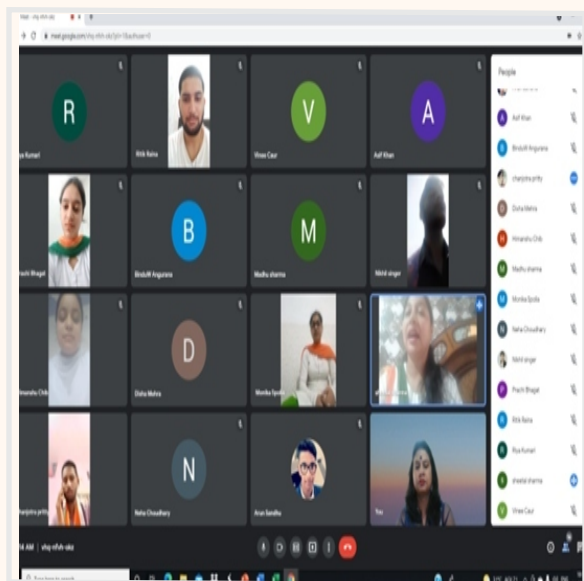
Online Poetry Recitation Competition



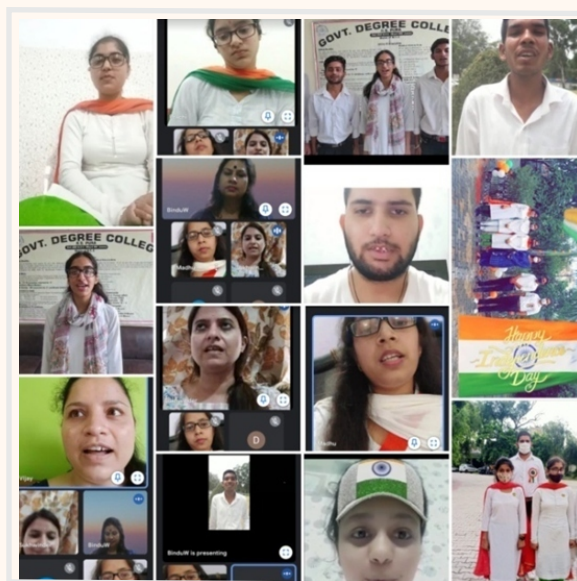
Online Essay Writing Competition on
Nation First, Always First



Plantation Drive



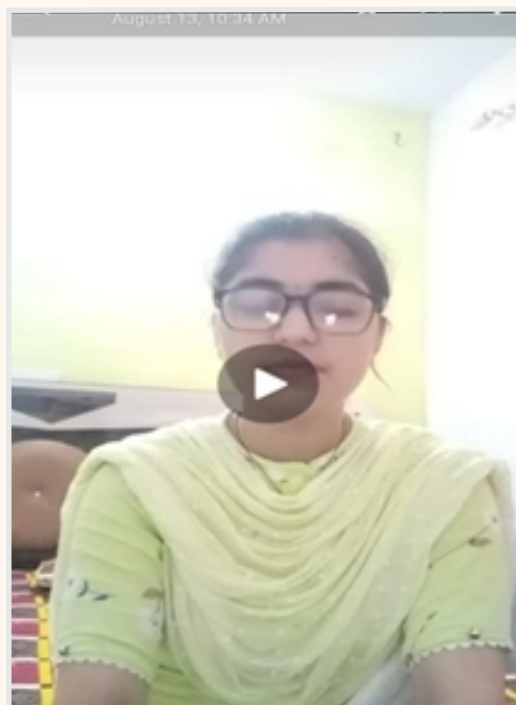
Online Patriotic Song Competition



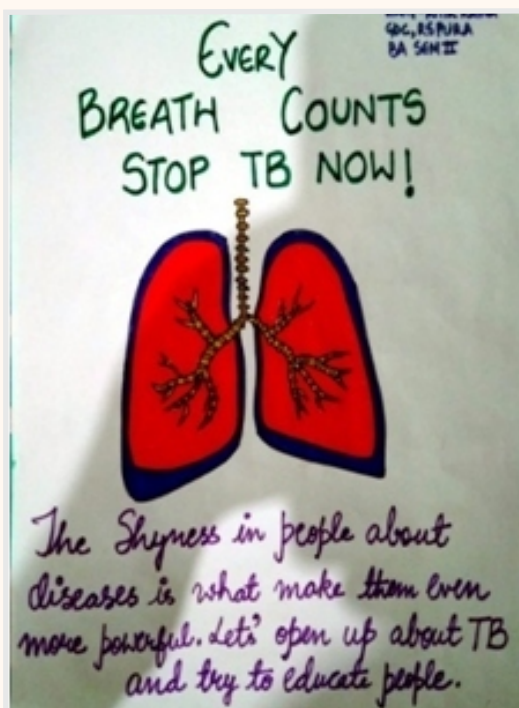
Valedictory Function

"There are no gains without pains."

Red Ribbon Club



Conducted *Self Video Making Competition on HIV Awareness & Prevention* in Collaboration with J&K AIDS Control Society, H&ME Department on 13.08.2021



Conducted Online Slogan Writing Competition on *TB awareness and prevention* on 16.08.2021

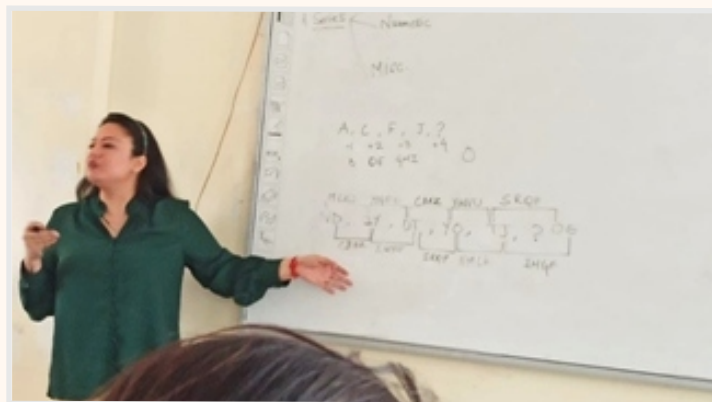


Conducted Poster Making Competition on
Blood Donation on 18.08.2021



Conducted Mask Making Competition on
COVID-19 Pandemic on 20.08.2021

Employability Oriented Skill Courses



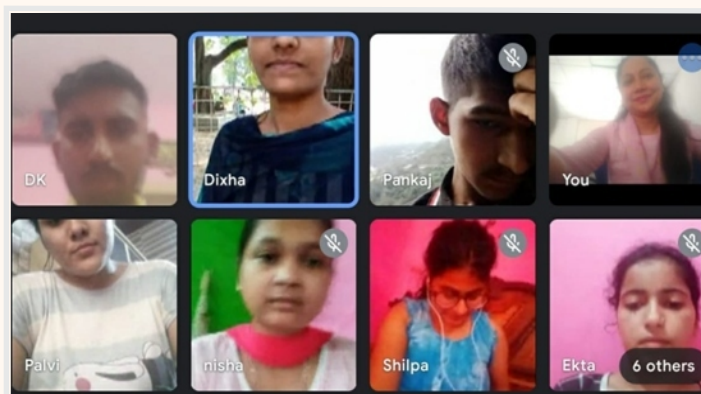
Employment opportunities increase if students possess special skills apart from academic degrees. Now a days employability skills have become an integral part of curriculum. Employers today desperately seek people with combination of skills which not only cover technical or hard skills but also include soft skills. These skills help our students to jump start their career and prepare them to face the competitive world. To encourage students and boost employment varied skill courses were initiated in the college.

A course on "Soft Skills and Personality Development" is being conducted in the college by Higher Education Department in collaboration with Central University of Jammu. With a batch size of 30 students (both boys and girls) the course is of 200-250 hrs. duration. The mode of teaching is blended and sessions are conducted both offline and online.

To acquaint the students with technology a computer course of 80 hours duration "Course on Computer Concepts" was conducted in the college by NIELIET. With a batch size of 30 students two batches were run simultaneously keeping in mind the demand of the course.

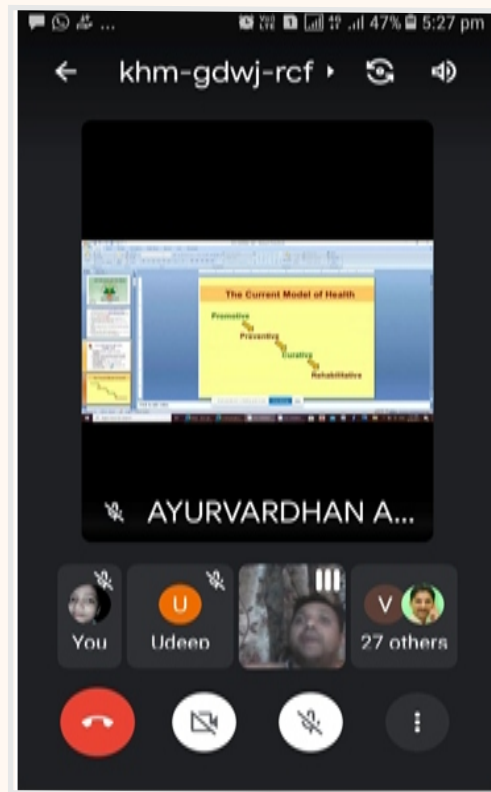
A youth employability programme was conducted for students by the Tata Consultancy Service in collaboration with District Employment and Counselling Centre, Jammu. The student intake of the said course was 50 and the time duration was 90-100 hours.

Science Club



Organized an Online Dogri Poetry Recitation Competition on 20.08.2021

Department Of Sanskrit



Online Lecture on *Ayurveda in Present Scenario*
on 19-05-2021

Vaccination Drive



2nd Phase of Vaccination Drive Organized by
NSS Unit in Collaboration with Dr. SatishChander,
Block Medical Officer R.S. Pura on 21.08.2021



Online Poster Making/Slogan writing
Competition to Celebrate
Women's Equality Day on 26.08.2021

Student Of The Year, 2020



An award ceremony was organized to crown the *The student of the year 2020* award which was the initiative of Department of Higher Education, Government of Jammu and Kashmir (UT). Ms. Maansi was selected as Student of the year 2020 for her exemplary academic performance and outstanding contribution in co-curricular activities.

College Infrastructural Developments

The College has installed seven Digital Interactive Panels in the classrooms to make teaching learning process more effective and updated. Besides, CCTV cameras have also been installed for the security and safety of college assets and maintenance of discipline in the campus.



Demonstration of Interactive panels working by Company's engineer in GDC RS Pura on 24.03.2021

Admission For The Session 2021-22



Admission process for B.A/BSc. Students for the session 2021-22 commenced from the month of July 2021

Faculty Achievement

1. **Dr. Neena Gupta (Head and Associate Professor, Department of English)**

- Attended one Day International Webinar on "Translation: Possibilities, Challenges and Scope" Organized by Gujranwala Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Ludhiana on 25th May, 2021.
- Organized One Day Seminar on 23rd April 2021, to celebrate "English Language Day".
- Organized an on-line Lecture on "Effective Communication Skills and Personality Development" on 27th July, 2021.

2. **Dr. Preetpal Kour (Head and Associate Professor, Department of Zoology)**

- Attended one week FDP -National e-Awareness cum Training Program on Intellectual Property Rights (NEAT IPR- 2021) held during 25-30 June, 2021 organized by IQAC AND Science Club) Govt. P G College Rajouri, J&K in collaboration with CSIR- Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology (IMMT) Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India.
- Five Days online Workshop on Digital Skills for Effective Teaching and Learning organized by Unit of Educational Studies and Research, Institute for Development and Communication, Chandigarh from 26 to 30th July, 2021.
- Online Webinar on 'Plastic Waste Management in Jammu City' Resource person for the event was Mr. Sanjeev Arora, CEO, Regional and Urban Development Agency presently working as Implementation partner to UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM for Implementation of plastic waste management in Jammu city in collaboration with Jammu Municipal Corporation.

3. **Dr. Anuradha (Head and Assistant Professor, Department of Punjabi)**

- Attended National Webinar on the Philosophy of Sh. Guru Nanak Dev Ji organized by Post Graduate Department of Punjabi University of Jammu on 7-6-2021.

4. Mrs. Kiran Pathania (Assistant Professor, Department of English)

- Presented a paper in an international conference organized by SKIT Jaipur from 3-5 May, 2021.
- Presented a paper in a national conference organized by The New College, Chennai on 12th June, 2021

5. Mrs. Bindu Kumari (Head and Assistant Professor, Department of Botany)

- Attended the National Webinar on "Beekeeping : Opportunities and Challenges" held during May 20-21, 2021 organized by AICRP (Honeybee and Pollinator), Division of Entomology, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu, J&K (UT).
- Participated in National Webinar organized by NSS campus unit, University of Jammu, Jammu on event of World Environment Day 2021 on the topic "Sustainable Development Goals and wild Edible Food Crop Relative" on 5th June 2021.
- Participated in an Online training Programme on "Process Orientation Training Programme on Child Centric Disaster Risk Reduction" organized by National Institute of Disaster Management, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. Of India in collaboration with NSS, University of Jammu w.e.f. 5th to 7th July 2021.
- Organizer of Seven Days Special Winter Camp of NSS Unit (February, 2021)
- Organizer of a seminar on Teachings and life of Ramakrishna Pramhansa (March, 2021)
- Organizer of Inter collegiate Quiz Competition on World Environment Day (June, 2021)
- Organizer of Week-long online Programme on International Yoga Day (June, 2021)
- Organizer of an online seminar on "Connect, Nourish and protect Nature for better future" of Botany Dept. (July, 2021)
- Organizer of Week-long online Programme on Independence Day (August, 2021)

6. Dr. Rajnish Kumar (Assistant Professor, Department of Dogri)

- Attended International conference on Language, Literature, Linguistics and communication ICLC-2021 organized by Vidyakutir Foundation, New Delhi on 21st Feb. 2021 and presented research paper.

7. Mrs. Sandeep Kumari (Assistant Professor, Department of Education)

- Successfully completed four weeks Orientation program from Ramanujan College, University of Delhi from 15-03-2021 to 14-04-2021
- Successfully completed ten days FDP (online) from Scroll well.com from 26-02-2021 to 07-03-2021.
- Act as an organizer of webinar on "Stress Management during covid - 19 situations" on 10-08-2021.

8. Mrs. Sukhwinder Kaur (Assistant Professor, Department of Botany)

- Published paper titled "Reproductive of *Astrella Pathankotensis* and *Astrella Augusta*: A Comparative Study" as a co-author in NOV YI MIR Research Journal in April 2021.

9. Mr. Vishal Sharma (Assistant Professor, Department of Botany)

- Attended the National Webinar on "Beekeeping : Opportunities and Challenges" held during May 20-21, 2021 organized by AICRP (Honeybee and Pollinator), Division of Entomology, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu, J&K (UT).

10. Mrs. Esha Abrol (Head and Assistant Professor, Department of EVS)

- Attended Webinar on Plastic Waste Management on Aug 5 2021 organized by GDC RS Pura

11. Mr. Balwan Singh (Head and Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi)

- Attended Inter - Disiplinary and Multi- Lingual Two Week Refresher Course / FDP on "Managing Online Classes & Co-Creating MOOCS 4.0" from 11-26 March 2021 from University of Delhi.
- Attended webinar on "MSME & ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT" conducted by ASBM University, Bhubaneswar on 24th April 2021.
- Acted as Resource Person and Academic Expert in translation of Text Books of EVS and Mathematics from English to Hindi for Primary classes under NEP 2020, J& K Board of school Education.

12. Mr. Himanshu Khajuria (Head and Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry)

- Successfully completed UGC sponsored Refresher Course in Chemistry from March 03 to March 16, 2021 organized by University Of Jammu, J&K (UT).
- Also successfully completed a 4 week Induction /Orientation programme from Feb 11 to March 13, 2021 organized by Teaching Learning Center, RamanujanCollege, and Universityof Delhi.

13. Mrs. Neha Jain (Head and Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Application)

- FDP in e-Learning and Content Creation organized by NIELIT, Jammu from 22-02-2021 to 26-02-2021.
- Attended International Webinar on "Information & Communication Technology & Covid-19" organized by Government Degree College, Poonch, J&K on June 20, 2021.
- Acted as Technical Coordinator for National Webinar Series on Mathematical Analysis organized by GDC RS Pura in collaboration with Department of Applied Mathematics BGSBU, Rajouri from 31-03-2021 to 03-04-2021.
- Organized a webinar in collaboration with the College Cultural Committee under the aegis of 'Azadika Amrit Mahotsav' to celebrate National Technology Day on 11/05/2021.

14. Mrs. Nisha Kumari (Librarian, Department of Library Science)

- Attended two weeks refresher course in library science on Skill and Expertise in Digital Information landscape from 10- 25 April 2021 organized by Ramanujan College University of Delhi.