

# Annual Report 2017

I feel immense pleasure in extending a warm welcome to the august gathering the occasion of 45<sup>th</sup> Convocation and Award Presentation Ceremony of Kamla Nehru College for Women, Phagwara. It is our proud privilege to have amongst us a multi-faceted personality **Ms. Anita Punj**, Inspector General of Police, presently holding the prestigious post of Director, Punjab Police Academy (PPA), Phillaur.

Ms. Anita, who hails from Dharamshala, did Bachelor of Laws from Government College for Girls, Chandigarh and pursued Master's degree in Police Administration. Storming a male bastion, she became the first woman director of Punjab Police Academy Phillaur.

Earlier, she has served as SP Vigilance at Ferozepur, Deputy Director at the Punjab Police Academy and SSP of Moga and Hoshiarpur districts of Punjab. She has also been a UN peacekeeper at the United Nations Mission in Kosovo, a faculty member at the National Police Academy at Hyderabad where she trained five batches of IPS officers, a British Chevening scholar and has led a pan-Punjab programme on Child Rights and Child Protection in association with Punjab State Human Rights Commission and British Council. She has also been an accredited trainer for Springboard Programme conducted by the Bureau of Police Research & Development in collaboration with the British Council for women in police in India.

Madam, your dynamic persona and splendid body of work is a source of great inspiration for the students and teachers alike. I, on behalf of KNC Family, extend a cordial welcome to you on this occasion.

Before commencing with the Annual Report, I would also like to welcome all the respected members of the management, the esteemed Heads of KNC Group of Institutions, Principals from various Institutions, the eminent guests and elite of the town as well as the representatives from the press. My best wishes go out to the degree holders and prize winners to whom this occasion is dedicated.

Having completed five eventful decades, Kamla Nehru College for Women, Phagwara, stands today as a multi-faculty, Post Graduate institution committed to the noble cause of imparting value based education to the young women of the region. While traversing this journey, the college has created many landmarks and attained several milestones. I take great pleasure in sharing with the distinguished guests that the college was re-accredited with 'A++' grade by NAAC with the CGPA of 3.55/4.00 and was also the recipient of the CPE grant by the esteemed UGC. Recently, we have also been conferred with 'Star College Status' by the Department of Biotechnology, New Delhi.

Catering to the need of the career-oriented youth, the college offers a spectrum of 14 Under-Graduate and 7 Post Graduate courses, 3 P.G Diplomas and a number of U.G.C sponsored Add-on Vocational Courses.

Driven by the vision of our founding fathers, the college owns a stately infrastructure for the conducive growth and progression of our students. We have well-equipped building blocks for different streams like Arts Block, Science Block, Commerce Block, Home Science and Fashion Designing Block etc. The Department of Computer Science has 8 hi-tech labs with 2MBPS lease line and LCD Projectors. Research, being the most notable aspect of the educational scene today, we have Research Centre, Hybrid library, Journalism and Mass Media Centre with Audio- Video studio and several modernized labs like Economics & Business lab, Accounting lab, Science labs, Fashion Designing lab, Language lab, Psychology and Stress Management lab, Fine Arts lab etc.

A beautifully designed Seminar Hall with audio-visual facilities, aesthetically designed Auditorium, open air Sports Stadium, spic and span Students' Hostel, hygienic Cafeteria, Health Care Centre, Botanical Garden, well -equipped Gymnasium and Heritage Centre are the significant features of the institution. Aiming at further modernization of infrastructural facilities, setting up of a Video Conference Room and the up gradation of labs and library are also on the anvil.

Students are the strength and true assets of an institution. Our students have proved their mettle by setting bench marks in various University Examinations. It is a matter of great pride that this year our 34 students were placed in the University Merit list while 34 got distinction. Our student Ramandeep Kaur stood first in the university in B.A Hons. (Punjabi) sixth semester , Sakshi Maini stood first in university in B. Voc Nutrition and Dietetics 4<sup>th</sup> semester, Ramandeep Kaur secured first position in B. Voc Nutrition and Dietetics 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Navjot Kaur bagged first position in B. Voc Journalism and Mass Communication 4<sup>th</sup> semester while Harminder Kaur secured first position in B. Voc Journalism and Mass Communication second semester. Similarly, Priya Bains got second position in B.A Hons. (Punjabi) sixth semester, Rattan Jot stood second in B.Voc Nutrition and Dietetics 4<sup>th</sup> semester, Prabhjit Kaur secured second position in B.Voc Nutrition and Dietetics 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Palwinder Kaur bagged second position in B.Voc Journalism and Mass Communication 4<sup>th</sup> semester, Jasmeet Kaur stood second in university in B.Voc Journalism and Mass Communication 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. Saumya Jain stood third in university in BA second semester, Isha Bhatia and Monica Bagga got 5<sup>th</sup> position in university in BBA 4<sup>th</sup> semester and M.COM 4<sup>th</sup> semester respectively. Rahima secured fifth position in B.A 6<sup>th</sup> semester, Amandeep Kaur remained 9<sup>th</sup> in University in PGDCA while Pallavi stood 10th in University in B.Sc Economics 4<sup>th</sup> semester.

Besides splendid academic achievements, our students did exceedingly well in co-curricular activities as well. It gives me great pleasure to inform all of you that Kamla Nehru College was the proud recipient of Champion's Trophy in G.N.D.U Zonal Youth Festival, 2017. At the event, our students bagged first positions in 15 items, second positions in 6 items and third position in 4 items.

In the arena of Sports also, our students have brought laurels to the institution. It's a matter of honor for us that our student Ms. Manjot Longia won silver medal in All India Inter University Wushu Championship held at Rohtak and Bronze medal in National Boxing Championship. Our students won two gold and one Silver medal in inter-college Wushu championship held at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar while our students also clinched two gold, one silver and one bronze medal in state level Wushu championship. The college boxing team also won one gold, one silver and three bronze medals in Inter-College Boxing championship and one silver and two bronze in state level boxing championship. We were also the proud winners of two gold medals in kick boxing, three silver medals in state level taekwondo championship and one silver and one bronze medal in Inter-College taekwondo championship.

In the pursuit of disseminating holistic education, the college faculty undertook a number of educational projects. A CPE sponsored Two Day National Discourse on Tri-lingual Approach for Cultural Revival was held on March 30-31, 2017. More than 50 research papers were presented by participants who had come from various colleges of Punjab.

The two day event saw the presence of eminent dignitaries and scholars from various parts of the country. These included Prof. (Dr.) Shelley Walia former head, Department of English, Panjab University, Chandigarh; Prof. (Dr.) Meenakshi F. Paul, Department of English, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla; Prof. (Dr.) Jaswinder Singh, former Head, Department of Punjabi, Punjabi University, Patiala,

Dr. Gurmukh Singh, Department of Punjabi, Punjabi University, Patiala; Mr. Irwin Khanna, Editor of Dainik Uttam Hindu, Dr. Harmohinder Singh Bedi, former Head, Department of Hindi, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Mr. Deepak Jalandhari, an eminent film script writer, journalist and satirist and Mr. Satyaprakash Uppal, a famous writer.

Giving a befitting ending to the seminar, a Kavi Darbar was held under the chairmanship of famous Punjabi writer and poet Padam Shree Dr. Surjit Patar wherein eminent Punjabi and Hindi poets recited their celebrated works and enthralled the audience.

In a matter of immense pride, Research Link, a UGC approved International Registered and Referred Inter disciplinary Research journal dedicated its February issue to our college. The research papers by 31 faculty members of the college were published in this journal.

The Department of Science organized a Workshop on Space Tower & unbounding the future with Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, Extension lectures on Cancer Care, An Introduction to Probability Distribution and Tips for Fast Mathematical Calculations were held wherein eminent educationists from reputed universities were the resource persons. The Department also organized industrial visits and educational trips to National Laboratory, Phagwara and Panjab University, Chandigarh. Besides an event 'Mathemania' was organized wherein Rangoli and Poster making competitions were held.

The Department of Commerce organized a competition titled 'Words of Wisdom' and also Inter Class competition on the occasion of Teachers Day, in which students participated in story writing, picture composition, paragraph writing, slogan writing and poster making competitions. The Department also organized an industrial visit to Ludhiana Beverages, Pvt. Ltd. and Pepsi co Holding India ltd.

The Department of Computer Science organized an extension lecture on the topic 'Internet of Things'. To hone the technical skills of the students, 'Ecstasy IT Junoon', 'Let's test your technical Skills' and Poster Making competitions were organized. The students of the department also participated in various Inter College IT fests organized by different colleges and industrial visits were also organized.

The Department of Home Science, Fashion Designing & Nutrition & Dietetics organized an exhibition cum sale of the garments designed and prepared by the students at Hotel Best Western Poonam, Phagwara. The department also celebrated Nutrition Week in which various competitions were organized. Besides Cooking Competition, Rangoli Competition, Lectures on Heart and Lifestyle Diseases- prevention and management and Anemia- prevention and care were organized. The students of the department also visited various industrial units.

The Department of Punjabi organized Teej Festival 'Teeyan Da Mela' wherein Deputy Commissioner Mr. Mohammad Tayyab was the chief guest. Besides, the celebrations of "Vishav Virasat Diwas" and "International Maa Boli Diwas" were also done during which various workshops and literary competitions were arranged for the students. Making the department proud, the students won various prizes in the International Dr Sadhu Singh Hamdard Virasti Mela held at Kapurthala. They also participated in Maha Kavi Bhai Santokh Singh Lekh Mukabla, Bhagat Namdev Yadgari lekh mukabla and District Level quiz competition organized by Language department, Punjab and brought laurels. Our students also won cash prizes in Moral Values Test conducted by Punjabi people welfare organization, Patiala. An Extension lecture on the topic 'How to read a novel' was also organized by the department wherein Dr. Gurmukh Singh from Punjabi University, Patiala was the resource person.

The Department of Hindi arranged a 'Kavya-Goshthi' on the eve of Hindi Diwas wherein eminent poets recited their poems and various competitions were

organized. The Department also organized a National Seminar on the topic “Badalte Samey main Badlta Bal Sahitye” which was sponsored by National Book Turst, New Delhi. An extension lecture on the topic “Hindi Ka Mahatav aur Deshayein” by Dr. H.S Bedi and a motivational speech by Mrs. Vandana Yadav on the topic from “Being a woman to becoming an individual” were also organized by the department.

The Department of English organized a one week workshop on Language Games and syllabus based competition “Spellathon” in which students participated with full zest and zeal. The Department also paid a visit to Old Age Home.

To create awareness about menstruation hygiene, a special assembly was organized by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication titled ‘It’s time to talk’. The department also organized an inter school media fest ‘Edutainment 2017’ in which students were given a platform to showcase their talent. To polish their event management skills, the students of the department planned and conducted a special event titled ‘Jolly Jamboree’. This year the department also launched ‘Radio Buzz’, a weekly edutainment program to be broadcasted in the college premises. A team from All India Radio, Jalandhar visited the college to record their program ‘Campus Campus’ and the students of the department participated as poetry writers in Yuv Vani program of All India Radio. Besides a workshop on Photography and Video Editing, celebrations of National Press Day and World Photography Day and industrial visits were also organized for the students.

The Department of Economics organized “Best out of waste” Competition and Slogan Writing Competitions. The Department also gave presentations on “Demonetization” and “GST” to educate the students about current financial scenario of the country.

The Department of Political Science celebrated various significant occasions like ‘National Integration Day’ in the memory of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel, ‘Constitution Day’, ‘Human Rights Day’, ‘Republic Day’, ‘Sadhbhavna Diwas’ on the birth anniversary of Former Prime Minister Mr. Rajiv Gandhi and ‘Environment Day’. These celebrations were marked by various competitions organized for the students of the department. An educational trip to Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar was also held wherein Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, GNDU addressed the students on the importance of higher education.

The Department of Music and Dance organized a special performance by budding singer Ishan Sahni. Besides, the students of the department gave their mesmerizing performances during various events organized in the college.

The students of the Department of Fine Arts undertook a project for the beautification of Phagwara wherein they decorated the pillars of main areas of the city on the theme of women empowerment, Yoga, Unity and Environment. On the occasion of Diwali an exhibition-cum-sale of products made by the students was held in the college. The Department also organized Slogan Writing and Poster Making Competitions.

The Department of Cosmetology organized three day workshop on ‘Skin Analysis and Skin Treatments’ and two day workshop on “Basic and Advance Hair Colouring”. The faculty members and students from the department also attended an International seminar on ‘Kryolan Make-Up’ which was addressed by Ms. Andrea Couca from London.

The Department of History celebrated Youth Day and paid rich tributes to Swami Vivekanand. A visit to the ancestral home of Shaheed Bhagat Singh at Khatkar Kallan was also organized.



I feel glad to state that two NCC cadets of the college Ms. Amarpreet Kaur and Ms. Sakshi Thakur participated in the Republic Day Parade held at New Delhi and they were honored by worthy President of India, Prime Minister of India, Vice President and Chiefs of Army, Navy and Air Force. They were also invited for Tea by Governor of Punjab, Mr.V. P Singh Badnore. The NCC wings of the college also organized special talks by Admiral Rajinder Mehta and Col. Kulwant Singh of 8 PBN Battalion, who familiarized them with the importance of NCC and Eye Donation. The cadets also participated in various Annual training camps, Shooting Camps, Voter Awareness Rally, Blood Donation Rally and celebration of Army Day and International Yoga Day.

The N.S.S Club of the college organized a seven-day camp wherein NSS volunteers participated with great zeal and fervor. The volunteers also actively took part in the International Yoga Day on June 21, 2017. The N.S.S volunteers took out a rally to pay tribute to Shaheed Bhagat Singh. They also participated in Poster making Competitions, Cleanliness camp and Rangoli and Declamation competition on “Importance of Vote” under SVEEP.

The Women Cell of the college celebrated “International Women’s Day” wherein Dr. Inderjeet Kaur, President of All India Pingalwara Charitable Society, Amritsar, gave a talk on Women Empowerment. ASI, Punjab Police, Mr. Ranjit Singh made students aware about “Shakti app” launched by Punjab Police to help the residents in situations of emergency. Under Nirbhya Project, the students of the college participated in weeklong self defense training camp. The Women Cell also organized a career guidance and counseling session for the students of various schools of the area and a rally and motivational talk on Blood donation were also organized.

The Career Orientation Council of the college strives strenuously to make the students aware of emerging needs and trends of the fast changing job scenario.

Making the institution proud, fourteen students of the college were selected in Concentrix Company during Joint campus placement drive, while three were selected for Karvy Stock Broking Ltd. Two students were selected in Indigo Airlines, one student got selected in Aon Hewitt and one student was selected in PTC News, Chandigarh.

The Join Hands Club of the college celebrated the festivals of Lohri and Diwali with downtrodden section of the society. They paid a visit to slum areas in Phagwara and Goonj NGO, Jalandhar respectively and made generous donations.

The Youth Welfare Club of the college organized Talent Hunt wherein students were given a platform to showcase their talent in singing, dancing, theatre and literary items. Lectures on ‘Career in LIC’ and ‘Skill Development’ were also held.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college organized a motivational lecture on the topic ‘Is your college a learning Institute?’ by Dr. Shirish Chindade, former NAAC Peer team member and Head of Department of English, Pune University, Maharashtra. A lecture on ‘Digital India’ was also organized in which Mr. Sanjay from Dreamweavers was the resource person. Besides, a series of presentations were organized by the faculty members of different departments of the college on various pertinent topics.

The institution has been persistently endeavoring to promote a culture of research and innovation among the faculty members. In keeping with this ethos, the faculty members presented nearly 30 papers in National and International seminars, attended refresher courses and workshops at various universities and published nearly 25 papers in various National and International research journals.

Dr. Kiran Walia attended two day International Conference of Principals held at Coimbatore and presented her paper on the topic ‘Future of Startups in India’. In recognition of her outstanding achievements, Doordarshan Kendra, Jalandhar

prepared a special documentary highlighting the life and celebrated works of Dr. Kiran Walia. A chapter written by her on the topic ‘Paristhitiyon ke badalne ki zid hai stree lekhan’ was published in the book ‘Mahila Lekhan: Chunautiyan aur sambhavnaye’. Dr. Walia is also working as a patron in Triveni Sahitya Academy, Jalandhar and has given talks on various literary topics on All India Radio, Jalandhar and Doordarshan, Jalandhar.

Dr. Vanita Chahal and Dr. Diana Handa from department of Science were conferred with Emerging Scientist Award-2017 and Young Scientist award respectively at 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Global Scenario of Life Science, Agriculture, Nursing & Medical Research for the welfare of Rural & Urban Folk held at Ranchi. Dr. Vanita Chahal has also published a book entitled “Evaluation of genotoxic activity of agricultural soils” in *Lambert Academic Publishing, Germany* in year 2016.

I take great pleasure to inform the august audience that today the current issue of College Magazine ‘Aastha, Research Journals ‘Pallvan’ and ‘Research Link’, ‘Science Spin’- a yearly newsletter of department of Sciences and ‘Campus News’- the newspaper published Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, will be released by our worthy chief guest.

Now, before summing up this chronicle of the splendid accomplishment of the institution, I would like to express my gratitude to all who in their own way have helped in raising the institution to its present stature.

Let me take this opportunity to acknowledge gratefully the unstinted co-operation and immense support extended to us by the Chairman of the Governing Council, Shri. I.K. Sardana whose trenchant vision and invaluable guidance have always been a driving force in the splendid growth of the college.

I owe my thanks to the dedicated teaching fraternity, committed non-teaching staff and devoted class IV employees, without whose unwavering support and co-operation, all these achievements would not have been possible. I look forward to your incessant support in future as well.

My heartiest felicitations to all the young graduates and prize winners who have made us proud with their illustrious achievements.

Once again, I convey my thanks to the iron lady Ms. Anita Punj, all the distinguished guests and representatives of the Press for gracing this occasion.

I would like to conclude the report with a couplet for the young achievers.

Good Luck  
Thank you