## ANNUAL REPORT OF ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY (KOSHIKA) 2019-2020

*Koshika*: The Zoological Society of Daulat Ram College held many activities this academic year. The society elections were held on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019 under the supervision of Dr. Amar Jyoti (Teacher-in- charge), Dr. Sonika Sharma (Convenor) and Dr. Neha Niharika (Co-Convenor). Students were rallying for their causes and asked for votes from students. Counting of votes was done with the help of all teachers with Dr. Chitra Bhasin taking the lead. The union members 2019-2020 are

President: Ms. Sumaira B.Sc. Zoology (Hons) III<sup>rd</sup> year

Vice President: Ms. Komal Yadav B.Sc. Zoology (Hons) II<sup>nd</sup> year

General Secretary: Ms. Charu Sharma B.Sc. Zoology (Hons) II<sup>nd</sup> year

Joint Secretary: Ms. Hiba Iqbal B.Sc. Zoology (Hons) Ist year

Treasurer: Ms. Maneesha Das B.Sc. Zoology (Hons) Ist year

Class Representative 1st Year: Ms. Pratiksha Sankhwar

Class Representative 2<sup>nd</sup> Year: Ms. Gunjan Relan

Class Representative 3<sup>rd</sup> Year: Ms. Tarushi

The society organized it's first event the Logo making competition on the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019 and the winning entry by Astha from BSc. Hons III year was finalized as our official logo for this academic year.

Freshers Party is one of the most memorable days for any new student. We decided to make that day (2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019) eventful with the theme of 80's retro. Girls were dolled up in 80s inspired clothing, hairstyles and makeup. We held a talent round to determine Ms. Freshers. Students danced, sung, presented their artworks and did poetry. However, our heart was won by Ms. Arshia Bakshi as she was crowned as Ms. Freshers. There were other titles like Ms. Dream girl and Ms. Talented.

Overall, the whole day was filled with excitement and fun.

The Union and students got together to celebrate Teachers' day on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2019 to thank them for their guidance and support.

The Society Inaugural Function was organized on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2019 with two very interesting sessions. The batching ceremony for Union members was also done on the same day.

The first session was a scientific talk by Dr. Yogendra Singh, Professor Department of Zoology, Delhi University on the topic "Genes and Genomes: Architect of the Living Organisms". It was an informative talk and the students gained a lot of subject knowledge from the same

The Second session was an informal talk 'Aao Mann Ki Baatein Kare' very beautifully conducted by Dr. Preeti Kapur (Psychology Dept. DRC) and Dr. Shweta Kansal (clinical psychologist). The talk was about mental health struggles and encouraged us to open up about ourselves and normalized the stigma around mental health. Dr. Preeti Kapur conducted a session the on sexual health and hygiene. In continuation Dr. Preeti Kapur held another session the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2019 to a talk on sexual health and explained many things about female anatomy. She answered everyone's questions and made sure everyone felt comfortable. It was one of the most liberating things to sit in a safe space and talk about things we know it was only between us.

The New Year started with a new concept of social painting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 where the participants were encouraged them to talk about their painting experiences and the meaning of art with everyone. Our main motive was to make everyone understand that everyone can paint and relax, there is no novice or expert artist. On the 15<sup>th</sup> of January we conducted the Scientific Portfolio making competition to pay our respect to Zoologists and scientists have contributed their lives to make us understand how a living system works.

The society organized a very interesting lecture by dr. Ibne Ali from IVRI on the topic "Contribution of Livestock and Poultry in National Income and Food Security". The students were really inspired by the talk. Dr. Ibne is also an entrepreneur who sponsored our Zoological society annual function.

The Society geared up for the annual inter college function Plexus which was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020. On the first day we organized a scientific talk by Dr. Rajesh Pandey, Scientist at CSIR-IGIB on the topic "Is it a Bauble? Is it a Fairy Light? Nope, it's a 3D Adipose Organoid". This young scientist surely inspired our students to choose and excel the field of research. The afternoon and day 2 were dedicated to extra curricular events. It was to rejuvenate our students. There was enthusiastic participation in all events from other colleges. Details have been shared separetely. This also marked the culmination of the zoological society events for the academic year 2019-2020.