LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE SARASWATINAGAR, DISTT. SHIMLA, H.P.-171206

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE SESSION 2017-18



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The college was established in July 1986 to cater to the higher educational needs of the people of this area. The opening of this college in such a hard area was a step towards realization of higher educational requirements of the local youth. Since then this college has been providing various opportunities for the youth of this area and has been enabling them to acquire skills and confidence to face the world. The college has come a long way with its motto "To provide a distinct environment of excellence in education with humane values & social commitment".

In order to fulfill the required quality yardsticks at par with the national level, the Institution was visited by the NAAC Peer Team on 7^{th} and 8^{th} April, 2017 and the college was accredited with B + grade by the National Accreditation and Assessment Council (NAAC).

Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff Position

Twenty four(24) posts of teaching staff including that of the Principal have been sanctioned, out of which one post of Principal, four posts of Asst. Professors are presently lying vacant (one post in Chemistry, one in Commerce, two in Physics, and one post of Librarian is also lying vacant.

Out of twenty eight (28) sanctioned posts of non-teaching staff, seven posts are lying vacant viz. one post each of Assistant Librarian, mechanic, tabla wadak, 2 posts of JLA and two post of part –time water carrier / Animal Collector.

Retirement:

Prof. Balwant Singh Chauhan, Principal attained superannuation in Dec., 2017.

Transferred in and out

- 1. Prof. P.D. Jagithta, Assoc. Prof. in Political Science joined in August, 2017.
- 2. Prof. Rai Singh Negi, Assoc. Prof. in Political Science was transferred to Govt. P.G. College, Seema.
- 3. Prof. Satpal Singh, Asst. Professor in Geography joined in Oct., 2017.
- 4. Prof. Jitender Kumar, Asst. Professor in Botany joined in the month of April, 2017.
- 5. Sh. Lakhman Singh was transferred in September, 2017
- 6. Smt. Sumitra Devi was transferred in the month of August, 2017.
- 7. Sh. Goverdhan Singh (chowkidar) was transferred in April,2017.
- 8. Sh. Geeta Ram (peon) was transferred in May, 2017.
- 9. Smt. Deepna (peon) joined in the month of March, 2018.
- 10. Smt. Bimla (peon) was transferred in the month of March, 2018.

Enrolment

During the session 2017-18, 626 students enrolled themselves in various streams out of which 356 were girls and 270 were boys.

Stream	Boys	Girls	Total
Arts	176	266	442
Science	27	38	65
Commerce	59	40	99
BCA	O8	12	20
Grand Total	270	356	626

Results

The results of the session 2017-18 of the B.A., B.Sc. B.Com 6th semester was 100%.

Scholarships

The college awards scholarship to the IRDP and SC/ST/OBC/Minorities students every year. In this session, an amount of Rs.1,44,859/ for 27 SC students, an amount of Rs. 2400 for 2 IRDP students and an amount of Rs. 2,10,000/- for 14 students under Kalpana Chawla scholarship scheme is under process.

UGC Grant

The UGC 12th Plan has come to an end in March, 2018. A grant of 15,50,000/-(fifteen lakh fifty thousand) received from UGC for Add-on Courses of Computer Application and Marketing and Management.

A grant of Rs. 14, oo, ooo (fourteen lakh only), received from UGC under remedial and coaching classes has been utilized by the college. A grant of Rs.4,00,000/-(four lakh only) under General Development was also utilized by the college.

RUSA Grant

A sum of Rs. 2, 90,990/-(two lakh ninety thousand nine hundred ninety only) was received from RUSA under" Equity Initiative" for skill development. Some of the skill development activities were carried in the month of March and the rest will be conducted in the coming session.

Library

The college has a voluminous and spacious Library which caters to the educational and recreational needs of both students and the staff. It has about 11,269 books on different subjects. It subscribes to 6 newspapers and 18 periodicals to facilitate the students and staff members. The college is also member of Inflibnet Ahmedabad. 367 new books were added during the session with more emphasis on competitive books.

Cultural Activities

- The college Folk Dance Team bagged 2nd position amongst 57 colleges in Youth Festival Group III (Folk Dance) event held at Govt. College, Hamirpur under supervision of Dr. Rohit Mokta.
- The college also participated in Youth Festival Group II event (Classical, light vocal, folk song solo and folk orchestra) held at Govt. PG College, Dharamshala and bagged 3rd prize in Folk Orhestra amongst 54 colleges under the able guidance of Dr. Mokta.
- Pallavi Shamet, student of Music(v) in 5th Semester was selected for the Voice of Himachal Competition in 2017.

Sports Activities

- The college organized Inter–College Volleyball (Men) Championship from 9th Oct., 2017 to 12th Oct., 2017. Forty two colleges from all over Himachal Pradesh participated in the event. MLSM Sunder Nagar was runner up and Govt. Degree College Bilaspur was the winner team.
- Manju and Saurabh Mantaan won Bronze medal in Inter –College Judo Championship respectively in women and men categories.
- Ravinder Kumar won Bronze medal in Inter-College Boxing Championship held at Ani.
- Raman Kumar, Himanshu Thakur played Inter-University held at Patiala.
- Amit Sharma, Ankush Chauhan played Inter- University in Football in Punjab and Kabaddi in Meerut respectively.
- An interactive session with the international Soccer Player, Mr. Vishal Kaith was organized by the Dept. of Physical Education.
- The Annual Athletic meet was organised on the college ground on 9th December, 2017. Ms. Divya (Sem 2nd) and Vineet (sem 6th) were declared best athlete in female and male categories respectively.

National Cadet Corps (NCC)

National Cadet Corps Troop of this college has 33 senior division and 17 senior wing vacancies. During the session- 2016-17, cadets of NCC undertook various activities (Tree Plantation, Cleanliness Mission, Traffic Control, Blood Donation, *Shanti March*, Essay Writing and Social work etc.) at institutional level and achieved many excellences under the able leadership of NCC Officer Dr. Rohit Mokta. The role of Senior Under Officer Gomeshwar and Under Officer Akhil Rolta and Pooja Nakta and Junior Under Officer Kritika Sharma was also commendable.

- Various activities of the Troop (No-3 platoon) are as follow: -
- Dr. RohitMokta attended Two days ANO's / Caretaker conference at 3HP(I)coy Rampur Bushehr on 17-18th july 2017.
- One Cadet Pallavi Shamet Qualified "BEE" Certificate examination and Three Cadets (SUO Bhamini Rathour, Sheetal Chauhan and Paras Jehta qualified "CEE" Certificate examination.
- Eight S/W cadets (Pooja Nakta, Alisha, Sapna, PallaviShamet, Ritika, Poonam, Divya and Kritikasharma) attended "Combined Annual Training Camp(CATC)" from 25thMay, 2017 to 3rd June, 2017 at P.G. college Rampur Bushehr, Part Bangla ground.
- Four S/D cadets (Gomeshwar, Sharul, Gagan, Vinay) attended "CATC" held at P.G. College Rampur Bushehr, Part Bangla ground w.e.f. 4th June, 2017 to 13thJune, 2017.
- Two S/W Cadets (Pooja and Alisha) attended "All India Girls Tracking Camp" held at Baijnath, Kangra w.e.f. 18th June, 2017 to 25th June, 2017.
- A motivational lecture was organized by the NCC troop in which former NCC Cadet and Flying Officer in Indian Air Force Mr. Digvijay Singh delivered a lecture on Indian Defence Services and NCC on 20th July, 2017.
- A Shanti March was organized for "Gudia Rape Case" in the main market Saraswati Nagar on 26thjuly, 2017 by the NCC unit of the college in the able leadership of Under Officer Kritika Sharma.
- An Essay Writing Competition was organized by the NCC troop in the caretaking of NCC caretaker Dr. Rohit Mokta and Senior Under Officer Gomeshwar on 28th August, 2017 in which 30 cadets had participated.
- Tree Plantation activity was conducted at Hatkoti Forest Beat near Forest Corporation Rest House on 30th August, 2017 under the guidance of NCC Caretaker Dr. Rohit Mokta and Under Officer Akhil Rolta. 200 Saplings of Deodaar tree were planted.
- The NCC Troop also helped the Police Department in Traffic Control in the leadership of Senior Under Officer Gomeshwar and Under Officer Pooja Nakta on Hatkoti Kenchi during the Apple Season in August, 2017.
- Seven NCC Cadets (Gomeshwar, Sharul Mehta, Pawan Sharma, Davinder Singh, Amit Dulta, Pallavi shamet and Manju Dansinghta) attended the "HP State Shooting Championship" held at Rohru on 10th September 2017 in which Cadet Amit Dulta got 3rd position.
- 20 NCC cadets(Akhil Rolta, Gomeshwar, Aditya, Divya, Bouby, Sandeep, Vikrant, Manju, ankush dhalta, Munish, Naveen Rana, Kushal Rana, Diksha Zinta, Pallavi Shamet, Ritika, Parmeet Rolta, Vineet Thakur, Ankit Gupta, Poonam and Bhaskar) of the college participated in the blood donation Camp organised by NSS unit on 23rd Feb.,2018.

National Service Scheme (NSS)

Two units of NSS are running in the college under the supervision of programme officer Prof. Anil Chauhan (Unit-I) and Dr. Lok Raj Sharma (Unit-II). During session 2017-18, 229 candidates of different streams of B.A., B.Sc., B.Com. and BCA got registered. 124 Students registered in Unit-I and 105 Students registered in NSS Unit-II. The various activities have been done by the students during this academic session 2017-2018 are detailed below:

- One day regular activity camp was organized on 05-07-2017 in which 143 NSS volunteers participated under the theme Clean India –Healthy India.
- One day activity camp was organized on 22-07-2017 in which 160 NSS Volunteers participated under the theme 'voting: the right of every people' campaign to make aware the society people of compulsory voting, headed by SDM Rohru.
- One day regular activity camp was organized on 12-08-2017 in which 140 NSS Volunteers participated under the theme 'clean campus and green campus' and took part various cleanliness activity and Van Mahotsav around the college campus.
- One day activity camp was organized on 15-08-2017 in which 147 NSS Volunteers participated in Independence Day celebration and took part in various Independence Day programmes of the college.
- One day regular activity camp was organized on 06-10-2017 in which 142 NSS Volunteers participated in 'Jan Jagrukta Abhiyan'.
- One day activity camp was organized on 01-12-2017 in which 140 NSS volunteers participated in 'World Aids Day Awareness Campaign'.
- Special NSS 7 day camp w.e.f. 19-02-2017 to 25-02-2017 was organized on the campus in which 143 student volunteers stayed in the college campus and participated in various outstanding activities.
- Mr. Rajan Bhapta of NSS participated in NIC camp held at govt. PG College Seema.
- 20 Selected Volunteers of the NSS helped the families of fire victims of nearby area.

Bharat Scouts and Guides (Rangers and Rovers):

- Swachta Abhiyan :-- Swachta Abhiyan was organized by the Rangers and Rovers unit to clean the college campus and boundry.
- Tracking camp 2017 :- A State Level Tracking camp was organized by Headquater Shimla.

- Tree planting: Tree plantation camp was organized in collaboration with the forest department. All the Rangers and Rovers participated in this camp.
- Nipun camp for girls (Rangers):----The nipun testing camp for Rangers at Tara Devi Shimla was organized to make them aware of scouting.
- 15th August (Independence Day Camp):-- Independence Day Camp was organized at Rampur. 6 Rangers and 4 Rovers attended the camp. It was 9 Day camp which was organized by state Headquater Shimla to celebrate 15th August.
- 26 January Republic Day celebration camp: Rangers and Rovers unit of this college also participated Republic day celebration camp at Shimla. 6 Rangers and 2 Rovers participated in the camp.
- Blood Donation camp :-- Blood donation camp was organized in collaboration with NSS, NCC.

Women Redressal- Cum -Counseling Cell

Women Redressal -cum-Counseling Cell works with the main objective of making women understand their rights. The following activities were undertaken by the cell.

- The women cell also celebrated 'International Women's Day' on 8th March. Various activities such as declamation on women centric issues, one act play on Women Empowerment and a panel discussion were organized to mark the occasion.
- A guest lecture was delivered on "Legal Rights" for the girls students on 8th March,2018 in the college Hall by Mr. Ajay Thakur, Civil Judge Jubbal.
- A workshop on Art and Craft workshop was also organized by the cell for girls students and the handloom items prepared by the girls students were put on display on 8thMarch, 2018.
- A workshop on "Beautician as career option" was also organized by the cell.

Equal Opportunity Cell

- The cell also organised an awareness programme for the SC/OBC students to make them aware of their rights and various schemes initiated by the govt. for their welfare.
- The Equal Opportunity Cell conducted coaching classes for the outgoing batch.

Eco Club

• The Eco club functions with the motto "Green India, Clean India." The members of the club actively participated in various activities such as Environment Awareness, campus cleanliness and beautification and tree plantation organized by the club throughout year.

- Eco Club unit of Lal Bahadur Shastri Govt. Degree College Saraswati Nagar celebrated the International Youth day on August 29, 2017,
- International Youth day and Van Mahotsava was celebrated by organising tree plantation programme
- celebrated the International Ozone Day on September 16, 2017.

College Magazine

In order to provide our students with a platform to express their views and showcase their creativity, the college brings out an annual issue of college magazine, "Hatkeshwari".

College Students' Central Association (CSCA)

The College Students Central Association (CSCA) was formed by selecting meritorious students from various fields' viz. academics, sports and other societies of college as per University notification. Ms. Ninu was nominated the President, Ms. Geeta Khatri was nominated Vice President, Ms. Ganga Rana was nominated Secretary and Mr. Vipul Sharma was nominated Joint Secretary for the session 2017-18.

Old Students' Association (OSA)

The College Alumni are doing great work in their respective domains. The potential of the alumni can be harnessed through their contribution to developmental activities of the College by establishing a learning and communication link for the new comers. An interactive link in the college website will be created wherein our alumni can post their request, suggestions, job opportunities etc as part of continuous interaction process with our alumni. The association is presently headed by its President Dr. Brahma Nand Sharma and Vice -President Sh. Ramesh Baltoo respectively.

Parent Teacher' Association (PTA)

The PTA is an important part of the College. The PTA Executive Body is headed by Sh. Mahender Singh, and other office bearers of the body include Mr. Sant Ram, Vice President, Mrs. Reena, Joint Secretary, Prof. Vijay Laxmi, Secretary and Mr. Y.S. Kesta, treasurer. PTA is providing all the needed cooperation in improving the academic environment and in organizing various activities in the College.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Academic Activities

- Academic Committee started session with the Principal Addressal on 14th July 2017 and on same day students were guided about Anti-Ragging by Dr. Poonam Mehta.
- Various events were organised to select the students for Youth Festival Group-1 and those events were: Mehandi, Rangoli, Collage Making, Poster Making, Clay Modelling, Cartooning and Sketching on 28th July 2017. Many students participated in all these activities.
- Quiz, Debate and Declamation Competitions were organised by the Academic Committee to select the students for Youth Festival Group-1 on 9th & 16th August 2017. Many students participated in these competitions.
- Academic Seminar were organised by Academic Committee for different disciplines from 22nd to 27th February 2018.

Career Counseling Cell

Choosing right career is a crucial step in every student's life. Very often a large section of students are unaware of various career options and opportunities that await them. In order to take the right course of action, one needs a guide, mentor, motivator and counselor. To meet this objective college has constituted a team of teachers to guide, motivate and help students to choose right career and improve their personalities during their stay in the college.

• The cell organized a guest lecture on "Career options available after Graduation". The resource person Mr. Deepak Sharma from Global Academy of Professional Studies, Chandigarh acquainted students with various career choices they can choose from.

English Literary Society

The Department of English conducted various activities throughout the year through English Literary Society to create students' interest in English language. The activities carried out throughout the session are as follows:

- ELS organized Genesis 2017 on 16th September 2017 in the College hall in order to create an awareness about the various English Literature genres among the students. Various activities such as poetry recitation, declamation, fusion songs, dance etc. The main attraction of the event was a play called 'Drama on Tenses'. Approximately 30 students were part of the play and they simplified the concept of tenses by enacting different parts of tenses.
- A video lecture was organized for the students of English Compulsory on "Homophones".
- The movie "Pride and Prejudice" was shown the students of English Major.

Philosophical Society

Organized Darshan Samagam on 10th Sept., 2017. Various activities such as power point presentations on Vedas, Upanishads, Empricism and Rationalism etc., a Documentry on 'Save Girl Child', Discussion on value distinction in Astik and Nastik schools were organized. Dr. Poonam Mehta also presented a paper on 'The Spiritual Self'.

Independence Day

Independence Day was celebrated in the college. The Principal Prof. Balwant Chauhan unfurled the flag on the campus. Various activities such as debate, poetry recitation, play and cultural programmes were organized to mark the occasion.

Hindi Diwas

Hindi Diwas was celebrated on September 14, 2017. Various activities like declamation contest, poetry recitation, cultural programmes and a play were staged to mark the importance of our mother tongue.

Oath taking ceremony

Oath taking ceremony of the nominated CSCA members was organized on 18th September, 2017. All the members were administered the oath of office and secrecy by the Principal.

Fresher's Day

Fresher's day was celebrated on 23rd September, 2017 in which new comers took active part with great enthusiasm. It gave a platform to the new comers to exhibit their talent. Besides, it gave a boost to their morale and provided them a chance to shed their inhibitions about college environment and the seniors. Organizing skills of the seniors were also tested. Mr. Taarish was declared Mr. Fresher and Ms. Shruti was declared Miss Fresher.

Science Day

In order to commemorate the discovery of the Raman Effect in India by the Indian physicist, Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman in the year 1930, the day is celebrated as National Science Day. For his great success in the field of science in India, Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman had been awarded and honoured with the Nobel Prize in the Physics in the year 1930. To honour this event, 28th February is observed as a National Science Day in India. A particular theme is selected for every year National Science Day Celebration. The theme of this year was "Science and Technology for Sustainable Future". Science society of Lal Bahadur Shastri Govt. Degree College Saraswati Nagar also celebrated the National Science Day on February 28th, 2018. Various events include oral

presentation, poster presentation, declamation, quiz, and models were presented by the students from various departments of Sciences.

Workshops

The college organised various workshops on Public Speaking Skills, Career Options after Graduation, Adventure Sports, Art and Craft, Hairdressing and Makeup Tutorials, Beautician as career option, Food Processing, Self Defence for Girls under RUSA Equity Initiative programme from March, 12th,2018 to 18th March, 2018. The students actively participated in these workshops and showed great enthusiasm in such programme.

Mid- Term Examination

For the session 2017-18, the Mid Term Examinations were conducted in 2^{nd} week of November, 2017 for 1^{st} , 3^{rd} ,and 5^{th} sem and 3^{rd} week on March, 2018 for 2^{nd} , 4^{th} and 6^{th} sem. Appearance in the Mid Term Examination was compulsory for all students.

Faculty Contribution and Achievements

1. Prof. P.P.Chauhan was Head co-ordinator of NAAC Accreditation committee for accreditation process and completed the process with B+ grade to the college.

2. Dr. Poonam Mehta, Assoc. Professor in Philosophy

Was invited as resourceperson in the National Integration Camp of NSS held in Govt. PG College, Seema on 7th Oct.,2017. She delivered a lecture on the topic "Values enshrined in Ancient Indian Philosophy and their relevance today".

- Presented a paper titled "Web of Values operative in the Socities of upper Himachal Pradesh: An Empirical Study in the Interdesciplinary National Conference organized by Govt. PG College, Seema(Rohru) held from 9th to 10th Oct.,2017.
- Presented a paper titled "Reinventing a Happy Life through the Philosophical wisdom of Vedas and Upanishads" in the International Conference organized by Rajiv Gandhi Govt. Degree College, Shimla held from 7th to 9th Dec.,2017.

3. Prof. P.D. Jagithta, Assoc. Prof. in Political Science

• Co –ordinated various workshops under RUSA Equity Initiative Programme from 12th March 2018 to 18th March 2018 in the college.

4. Dr. Nirmal Chauhan, Asst. Professor in Hindi

• presented a paper titled, 'Cultural Study of Fairs and Festivals of Jubbal Area" in two day national conference organized by Govt. P.G. College ,Seema on 9th and 10th October, 2017.

• Presented a paper titled 'Effect of Social Media on Young Generaration' at three day International Conference held at Rajiv Gandhi Govt. Degree College, Shimla from 7th Dec. to 9th Dec., 2017.

5. Dr. Pooja Dulta, Asst. professor in English,

- Presented a research paper titled, 'A Study of Raja Rao's The Serpent and The Rope as Nativist Text' at Interdesciplinary National Conference organized by Govt. P.G.College Seema on 9th and 10th October,2017.
- Presented a research paper titled, 'A Study of Indian Vedantic Philosphy in Sujatha Vijayaraghavan,s The Silent One as Cultural Identity' at International Conference held at Rajiv Gandhi Govt. Degree College, Chaura Maidan, Shimla from 7th Dec. to 9th Dec., 2017.

6.Prof. Ripon, Asst. professor in Sanskrit

- Presented a paper on 'Decreasing Moral Values: A Challenge' in International Seminar Held at Rajiv Gandhi Govt. Degree College, Chaura Maidan, Shimla from 7th Dec. to 9th Dec., 2017.
- Presented a Paper on 'Ritey Gyanaann Mukti' in National Conference in Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalay, Jangla (Rohro) on 27-28 March, 2018.

7. Dr. Rohit Kumar Mokta, Asstt. Prof. in Music (V)

- Successfully completed three week Refresher Course on Visual and Performing arts at HPU from 12.06.2017 to 01.07.2017.
- Attended two day conference of ANos/ Caretaker held on 18th-19th July, 2017 at 3HP(1) Coy NCC Office Rampur Busher.
- Nominated as member of Board of Study ,Deptt. of Music ,H.P. University Shimla.

8. Prof. Sandhira, Asst. Prof. in Commerce

 Attended a seven day workshop on 'Research Methodology and Data Analysis' at NIT, Hamirpur from January 1st to 7th January, 2018.

9. Prof. Jitender, Asst. professor in Botany

- Published a research paper on "Studies on Ectomycorrhiza: An Appraisal" in Botanical Review.
- Presented a paper on "Diversity of Ectomycorrhizal Genus *Russula* pers From Sal Forest of North West India" in: National Symposium on Mushrooms: Trends and Innovations in Mushroom Science, held at ICAR Directorate of Mushroom

- Research, Solan (H.P.) from 27th-28th April, 2017.
- Presented a paper on "Diversity of Ectomycorrhizal Agarics From Sal Forest on North West India" in National Conference on Himalayan Biodiversity and Bioresource Utilization' held on March 23rd,2018 in the Department of Biosciences, Himachal Pradesh University, summer Hill, Shimla.

Future Plans

- Contour plan for Multipurpose Hall is in the pipeline. The feasibility report of the project has been completed and working drawing is in progress.
- Laying of 400m synthetic track on the college playground.
- Commencing PG classes in the Hindi, Economics, Political Science, History and Physical Education.