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DISTT. SHIMLA, HIMACHAL PRADESH

Annual Report

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A Brief Profile of the College

Established in 1998, the college is a co-educational institution, located at Theog in District Shimla of Himachal Pradesh. The college primarily serves the rural population in and around Theog and offers BA, B.Sc., and B.Com. programs. The total number of students enrolled in various disciplines and programs are 1184. The institution is a boon, especially to the female students, who otherwise might have had to travel 25 kilometers to the capital town of Shimla. The imposing façade of the present complex and related infrastructure came up in 2006. The college has adequate number of classrooms, laboratories, a well-stocked library, a spacious ground, a conference hall and other requisite infrastructure. The college is accredited 'B' by NAAC. Recently, it has been included in the list of 21 उत्कृष्ट महाविद्यालय by the Government of Himachal Pradesh. In this academic session, the college procured the domain "edu.in" for its website from ERNET.

Student Profile & Data

A total of 1184 students across various disciplines are receiving education in the college. The detailed break-up of the student strength is as follows:

Course	ClassWise Enrollment	GEN		SC		ST		OBC		IRDP		Total-B	Total-G	Total-All
		B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G			
BA	BA (Year 1)	116	132	56	75	0	0	0	0	22	29	194	236	431
	BA (Year 2)	72	123	33	65	0	0	1	0	8	23	114	211	325
	BA (Year 3)	60	140	19	38	0	0	0	0	1	6	80	184	264
	Total	248	395	108	178	0	0	1	0	31	58	388	631	1020
B.COM.	B.Com (Year 1)	19	6	6	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	28	10	38
	B. Com (Year 2)	6	10	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	14	21
	B. Com (Year 3)	11	12	6	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	20	38
	Total	36	28	13	15	0	0	0	1	4	0	53	44	97
B.SC. LIFE SCIENCES	B.Sc. I LifeSciences	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	5	10
	B.Sc. II LifeSciences	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	8
	B.Sc. III Life Sciences	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	5	6
	Total	5	9	4	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	10	14	24
B.SC. PHYSICAL SCIENCES	B.Sc. I PhysicalSciences	9	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	17	4	21
	B.Sc. II PhysicalSciences	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	2	10
	B.Sc. III PhysicalSciences	7	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	5	12
	Total	21	7	7	3	0	0	0	0	4	1	32	11	43
Grand Total		310	439	132	200	0	0	1	2	40	59	483	700	1184

Expenditure of Budget/Grants/Augmentation of Infrastructure

The college received a grant of Rupees One Crore ^{in the year 2021-22} under the “उत्कृष्ट महाविद्यालय” scheme of the Himachal Pradesh Government and the amount was spent on infrastructure augmentation such as conference hall, interactive touch panel(s), CCTV cameras, a botanical glass house, sports infrastructure, computers and new courses such as TALLY among others.

The college also received a grant of Rs 50, 80, 230/- from the RUSA corpus and an amount of Rs. 27, 96,000/- has been spent till date on necessary maintenance work and new purchases such as whitewash, technological up-gradation(s) and repair and up-keep of NCC room and other smart classrooms.

Result

The annual examination result, conducted by the affiliating university, bears testimony to the quality of teaching-learning being imparted in the institution. The results announced in the session 2022-23 are as follows:

BA. I	77.9%
B.A. II	88%
B.A. III	80.75%
B.Sc. I	38%
B.Sc. II	83%
B.Sc. III	100%
B.Com I	77%
B.Com II	80%
B.Com III	91.25%

Scholarship

Under the leadership of Dr Satish Kumar, Assistant Professor of Economics, the *Scholarship Committee* of the college works with complete dedication and perseverance to ensure that the nectar of various scholarship schemes reaches the deserving candidates. The students who have benefited from various central and state-sponsored scholarship schemes in the current academic session are as follows:

Fresh Beneficiaries		
S.No	No. of verified Students	Scholarship
1	5	<i>Kalpna Chawla Chatravriti Yojana</i>
2	13	<i>Mukhya Mantri Vidyarthi kalyan Yojana</i>
3	22	<i>Centrally Sponsored Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students</i>

4	01	<i>PM Yashasvi Post-Matric Scheme for EBC students</i>
Renewal Beneficiaries		
1	6	<i>Kalpana Chawla Chatravriti Yojana</i>
2	4	<i>Mukhya Mantri Vidyarthi Kalyan Yojana</i>
3	6	<i>Centrally Sponsored Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme for SC students</i>
Total number of beneficiaries: 57		

Establishment Report

Out of a total of 39 sanctioned posts (25 teaching & 14 non-teaching), 2 posts of teaching (Chemistry, Mathematics) and 4 posts of non-teaching staff (1 Senior Assistant, 1 JLA, 1 Sweeper, 1 Tabla Vadak) are lying vacant. The following members of the staff were relieved from the college consequent upon their transfers to other institutions and the following members of the staff joined the college in the academic session 2022-23:

Relieved	Joined
Dr Ravinder Chauhan	Dr Rajesh Dhorta
Dr Surinder Sharma	Dr Gopal Krishan
Dr Deepak Keprate	Dr Anita Rathour
Dr Himani Saxena	Dr Rakesh Sharma
Dr Ritu Sharma	Dr Shiwani Khatri
Dr Shalu Chauhan	Dr Nidhi Dhatwalia
Dr Shweta Sharma	Dr Neeraj Sharma
Mr Mohan Lal Sharma	Dr Harsh Vardhan
Dr Hem lata	Mr Yogesh Sood
Mr Raju	Dr Yesh Desh
	Dr Mohinder Rathour
	Dr Kalpana Sharma
	Dr Satish Kumar
	Mr Aditya Singh Dulta
	Mr Sat Paul
	Mr Mrityunjay Sharma
	Dr Rajesh Kumar
	Ms Veena Negi (JLA)
	Ms Laja Devi (JLA)
	Mr Bittu (Peon)

CSCA

On the recommendation of the affiliating university vide its letter Number No. 3-1/80-HPU (Genrl.) XIV dated 4-10-2022; the CSCA was constituted as follows in compliance to the directions and nomenclature prescribed:

S.No.	Name	Father's Name	Class	Roll No.	Post
1	Smriti Sharma	Sh. Ishwar Dutt	B.Com 3 rd Year	2005120008	President
2	Jyoti	Sh. Narender Singh	BA 3 rd year	2005506030	Vice-President
3	Nidhi Sharma	Sh. Sohan Sharma	B.Sc 2 nd year	21310034	Secretary
4	Vinod	Sh. Prem Lal	BA 1 st year	2213093	Joint-Secretary

PTA

The election to the new *Parent-Teachers' Association* (PTA) was held on 17-09-2022 and the following people were elected for the executive body:

President	Shri Geeta Ram Sharma
Senior Vice-President	Shri Sanjeev Sharma
Vice-President	Shri Rakesh Lahik
Joint Secretary	Shri Babu Ram Sharma
General Secretary	Dr Mohinder Singh Rathour
Treasurer	Ms. Seema Sharma

The PTA body is always very supportive towards the welfare of the students, the progress and development of the college. It lends a helping hand in every endeavour of the college.

NCC

The NCC unit of the college, comprising 50 registered cadets (23 SD, 27 SW), is playing a predominant role in lighting the flame of unity, discipline and nationalism among the students. Under the leadership of Mr Arun Sharma, NCC Caretaker Officer, the following activities were organized:

- On 15 June 2022, the *Rank Ceremony* was organized at NCC Headquarters, Shimla in which the rank of 'Senior Under Officer' and 'Under Officer' was bestowed upon Poonam Bhardwaj and Sharad Chandel respectively.
- On the eve of *International Yoga Day* on 21 June 2022, the NCC cadets of the college presented a beautiful display of various yoga postures and enlightened the gathered students and staff on the importance of yoga and adopting a healthy lifestyle.
- In July 2022, the 2nd and 3rd year NCC cadets participated in a *Joint Annual Training Camp* held at Karsog in two sessions, in which the cadets learnt important life-skills.
- In August 2022, the NCC cadets participated with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor in the "Azadi

ka Amrit Mahotsav” and *“Har Ghar Tiranga”* events such as rallies and tree plantation among others events.

- From 16 to 30 August 2022, 2nd year cadet Sujal Kanwar participated in the *“Army Attachment Camp”* at Dharamshala which was an excellent informational gateway to the functioning of the Indian Armed Forces.
- From 10 to 19 October 2022, UO Sharad Chandel participated in the *“Ek Bharat, Shreshth Bharat”* camp held at Motihari, Bihar.
- From 5 to 12 November 2022, Cadet Ponam Thakur participated in the *“All India Girls' Tracking Camp”*.
- On 17 November 2022, a letter from NCC headquarters Shimla, addressed to the ANO, GC Theog announced the delegation of the responsibility of the *“open vacancy”* (NCC) at ABVGIET, Pragatinagar, Shimla to ANO, GC Theog.
- On 25 November 2022, the NCC Headquarters at Shimla organized a *“Mega Blood Donation Camp”* in which the NCC cadets of the college participated and donated blood. The NCC wing of the college organized their own *“Blood Donation Camp”* in the college premises itself on 1 December 2022 to serve the noble cause of humanity.
- From 20 to 27 January 2023, the State *RD CATC-243* was organized at Bahara University, Solan. In this *“Joint Annual Training Camp,”* 27 cadets of the college participated in which UO Sharad Chandel, Sergeant Sooraj Sharma, Corporal Deepak, Lance Corporal Akshita Sharma and Cadet Reena Sharma participated in the state-level *Republic Day Parade* held at Shimla.
- From 27 January to 7 February 2023, SW Kiran participated in the *“Army Attachment Camp”* which was held at Pathankot.

Apart from these above-mentioned activities, the NCC wing of the college routinely participates in cleanliness drives, awareness drives and environment related activities. The cadets transformed the unutilized waste space right outside the NCC room into a budding garden. Though in its infancy at present, yet this little space of greenery will add to the beauty of the campus in the coming times.

NSS

The NSS plays an important role in the overall personality development of the students and in inculcating many qualities like leadership and discipline in them. The college NSS unit, comprising of 170 volunteers, is helmed by Dr Kalpana Sharma and Mr Rajesh Kumar, Assistant Professor(s) of Music (I) & Geography respectively. The unit renders its services in all spheres of the college. During the academic session, the main activities of the unit were as follows:

- In August 2022, a *“Tree Plantation Activity”* was organized around the college by the unit in which the staff also participated.
- In September 2022, the unit undertook a *“cleanliness drive”* to clean and beautify the campus and the surrounding areas.
- On September 24, 2022, *NSS Day* was celebrated in the college by the volunteers with great enthusiasm and zeal.
- On 28 September 2022, the *“World Rabies Day”* was celebrated to raise awareness about the menace through posters.
- From 1 to 31 October 2022, the NSS unit celebrated *“Swachha Bharat Abhiyan 2.0”* in which 85

- kilograms of waste was collected and handed over to the Municipal Corporation.
- On 31 October 2022, the “*Run for Unity*” event was organized to celebrate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel.
- From 1 to 7 November 2022, a 7-day “*Van Mahotsav*” drive was organized under “*Mission Gyanodaya*” to collect clothes and books for the needy.
- In November 2022, “*Constitution Day*” was celebrated with gaiety and fervor by the unit.
- On 26 and 27 December 2022, the unit participated in a rally jointly organized with the “*Road Safety Club*” to raise awareness among the masses about the perils associated with roads and bad driving.
- Four NSS volunteers of the college, namely Lakshit, Abhishek, Deepa and Shitika, participated and were selected for the *Pre-RD District Selection Camp* held at Govt College Sanjauli.
- NSS volunteer Lakshit Sharma got selected for the *Pre-RD National Level Camp* and represented our college in Punjab.

The *7-day mega NSS Annual Camp* was organized from 11-17 February 2023 in which the volunteers undertook several cleanliness and awareness initiatives both inside and outside the college premises. Each day, they were a good audience to external resource persons.

Road Safety Club

- On 26 December 2022, a huge *awareness rally* was organized by the club. The rally, comprising of 240 students, covered the market area of Theog. Meaningful slogans with an aim to sensitize the masses were chanted by the students.
- On 27 December 2022, various activities such as *poster-making, slogan-writing and power-point presentations* were organized where the students impressed upon other students the dos and don'ts of safe behavior on road. The winners of each activity were awarded prizes.
- On 14 February 2023, an invited lecture was arranged for the students of the Road Safety Club in which an external Resource Person, Dr Jitender Arora, Medical officer (MO), Govt. PHC Banni (Fagu, Theog, District Shimla) addressed the students and spoke on the major theme of “*Road Safety*”. The main focus of his talk was the importance of “*Golden Hour*”, that is, the first one hour of any mishap on the road. He practically demonstrated the technique to perform CPR, that is, Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation.
- On 15 February, 2023, another invited lecture by an external resource person was arranged. This time it was Mr Ankush Thakur, Sub-Inspector, from the local police station. He talked at length about the various elements of road safety and its importance, rules of traffic, road markings and signage, basic traffic signals, lane discipline, importance of maintenance of vehicles, importance of holding valid documents such as driving license, registration certificate, insurance and pollution, types of vehicles, number plate identification, various violations of traffic and fines thereof, importance of safe driving, first aid, FIR, and speed limits.
- On 20 and 21 February, a *declamation and collage-making contest* was organized to sensitize the students on various aspects of “*Road Safety*”. The winners of both the contests were awarded prizes by the head of the institution on 23 February 2023 in the Conference Hall.

Rovers & Rangers

Under the leadership of Dr Aravind Paul Dr Saroj Devi Negi, Assistant Professor of Public Administration, the following activities were undertaken by the *Rovers & Rangers* unit of the college during the academic session 2022-23:

- Three Rangers of R&R Unit (Muskan, Preeti Vekta and Sakshi Verma) participated in the state level *Self Defence Camp for Guides and Rangers*, organised by The Bharat Scouts and Guides Himachal Pradesh State Headquarters, at Shivalik Public School Panjehra, Tehsil Nalagarh Distt. Solan, H.P. w.e.f. 14th October to 18th October 2022.
- Five Rangers (Muskan, Tanuja, Sakshi, Samiksha, Babita) and Five Rovers, (Prabhav, Rahul, Vinay Chandel, Piyush, Abhishek) participated in the *State Level Republic Day Parade 2023 Selection Camp* for Rovers and Rangers (Pre- RDC), organised by The Bharat Scouts and Guides Himachal Pradesh, at the State Training Centre Rewalsar, Distt. Mandi H.P. w.e.f. 17th November to 21st November 2022. In this camp, two rangers, Muskan and Samiksha and one Rover, Rahul, was selected for the state-level pre-Republic Day Parade camp 2023. From 18 to 27 January 2023, all three selected students participated in the pre-RD camp. Finally, one student, Samiksha of BA 1 qualified and participated in the *State Republic day* parade, 2023.
- On *World Aids Day* on 1st December 2022, the R & R unit participated in poster making and slogan writing competitions organized by the *Red Ribbon Club* of the college. The unit also donated blood in the Blood Donation Camp organized by the *Red Ribbon Club* of the college.
- The R&R unit, in collaboration with *Women Cell, Career Counseling and Placement Cell* of the college and Lakme Academy, Shimla organized a one-day seminar /workshop on beauty, grooming and wellness on 8th December 2022 in the college.
- Two Rangers (Sakshi Verma and Monika Bijta) and two Rovers (Prabhav Bhardwaj and Vinay Chandel) along with Adult Ranger Leader Dr. Saroj Devi Negi, actively participated in the first ever *International Scouts & Guides Cultural Jamboree* at Moodubidire, Karnataka, w.e.f. 21 to 27th December 2022.

During the entire session, the R&R unit actively participated in different activities organized in the college like campus beautification, cleanliness drives and annual athletic meet, etc.

Women Cell

Under the leadership of Dr Shiwani Khatri, the *Women Cell* of the college, in collaboration with *Lakme Academy*, Shimla, organized a workshop on beauty and grooming for the female students of the college on 8 December 2022. The aim behind the workshop was to apprise the students about make-up and grooming as budding and lucrative career options in the fashion industry.

On 9 March 2023, the *Women Cell* of the college celebrated *International Women's Day*. The theme for the occasion was "*DigitAll: Innovation & Technology for Gender Equality*." The program was presided over by the Principal, Dr Lalita Chandan and Ms. Jyoti Rana, Additional Director, *Himachal Institute of Public Administration (HIPA)*, Shimla, was the keynote speaker.

Career Counselling & Placement Cell

Under the leadership of Dr Anita Rathour, the *Career Counselling & Placement Cell* of the college organized the following activities during the current academic session:

- On 8 September 2022, a talk by an external resource person (Dr Mahesh Chandan, Associate Professor of Commerce [Retd.]) was organized for the students on the topic “*Stock Market & its Relevance.*” After an elaborate presentation and discussion, Dr Chandan encouraged the students to consider the stock-market as a career opportunity.
- On 15 February 2023, in collaboration with NIMBUS Academy, Chandigarh, an *orientation program* was organized to apprise the students about the various career opportunities offered by various constitutional bodies such as the *Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)*, *Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission (HPPSC)* and *Subordinate Services Commission (SSC)* et cetera. The resource person for the talk was Mr. Deepak Bijalwan. He also talked about various competitive examinations such as NET, SET and TET.
- On 21 February 2023, in collaboration with *Chitkara University*, Chandigarh, a career counselling session was organized for the outgoing classes of BA, B.Sc. and B.Com. Mr. Kiran was the Resource Person for the talk. Towards the end of the enlightening session, he also emphasized upon the importance of 'presence of mind' in achieving goals.
- On 24 February 2023, the members of the cell apprised the students regarding various vacancies advertised by the Staff Selection Commission, Chandigarh. The talk was well received by the students, as evaluated through the feedback collected.
- On 10 March 2023, in collaboration with Shoolini University, Solan, a career counselling session was organized in which Prof. Narender Verma was the keynote speaker. His talk mainly focused on the latest career avenues in the contemporary world. The second speaker for the day was Mr. Praveen Vashisht, Retired Principal, The Lawrence School, Sanawar. Through his lived experiences, he advised the students to work upon their communication skills and all-round personality development.
- Seven students of the college were placed in a Placement Drive organised in the college premises in collaboration with Bajaj Allianz, Pune. These students shall join their respective positions after completing their graduation in June/July.

House Examination

Under the leadership of Dr Rakesh Sharma, Controller of House Examination(s), a total of 1184 students appeared for the mid-term examination which were conducted w.e.f. 12 to 22 December 2022. Re-tests were conducted w.e.f. 21 to 28 February 2023 for the students who could not appear due to any genuine reason and for those who failed to pass in their respective subjects.

Library

The college has a well-stocked library with 5101 books stacked in about 29 cupboards. The seating capacity of the library is 45 and it subscribes to about 8 newspapers in English and Hindi apart from 6 magazines for the students.

Red-Ribbon Club

The *Red Ribbon Club (RRC)* is a youth-led organization established by the *National AIDS Control Organization (NACO)* of the Government of India. The GC Theog chapter/wing functions under the dynamic and very effective leadership of Dr Nidhi Dhatwalia. The club undertook the following activities in the academic session:

- On 18 October 2022, two students of the Club participated in the *District Level Science Quiz Competition* held at RKMV Shimla, which was organized by the State Red Ribbon Club. A total of 25 teams comprising of 50 students participated in the competition.

- On 23 November 2022, three students of the Club (Nidhi Sharma, Komal Attri and Kritika Thakur), along with the Nodal Officer Dr Nidhi participated in a *training session* conducted at DDU Hospital, Shimla on HIV/AIDS, and its prevention.
- On 1 December 2022, the Club celebrated *World AIDS Day*. A *mini blood donation camp* was organized in collaboration with DDU Hospital, Shimla in which 20 units of blood were collected. A lecture was delivered by Dr Ganga Rawat, Blood Bank In-charge, DDU Shimla, in the camp highlighting the importance of the noble act of blood donation. Animated videos and documentaries related to HIV/AIDS were shown to the students to raise awareness about the social issues surrounding HIV/AIDS such as stigma, discrimination, power dynamics etc. Slogan-writing and poster-making competitions were held and the winners were given prizes.

Sports

Helmed by Dr Jitender Thakur, the Department of Physical Education works diligently and continuously to ensure the holistic development of students. This year too, three students of the college were selected for the *North Zone Inter-University Championship* held at Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. They are Rajat Shyam and Ankush (Basketball) and Amit (Kho-Kho).

The students of the *Department of Physical Education* represented the college at HPU Inter-College Sports Championships in various games like X-country, Basketball, Volleyball, Cricket, Shooting and Kabaddi and put up a good performance everywhere.

The *Annual Sports Meet* was held on 4 March 2023 which was a colourful presentation of an impressive march-past and various field and track events. Shri Kuldeep Singh Rathore, Hon'ble MLA, Theog, graced the occasion as Chief Guest and generously applauded the efforts put in by the staff and the students.

Cultural

Under the guidance of Dr Mohinder Rathour & Dr Kalpana Sharma, Assistant Professor(s) of Music, two students of the college participated in the *HPU Inter-College Youth Festival (Group II)* held at Govt College Nahan.

Achievements of the Staff

Dr Lalita Chandan, Principal, presided over as Chairperson of the *UG Curriculum Drafting Committee* constituted by the DoHE for HPU Shimla in the subject of English, for the implementation of Multi-disciplinary and Interdisciplinary education under *NEP 2020* from the forthcoming academic session. She also participated as member in several important committees constituted by the *Department of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh*, some of which include the state-level *Building Pool Fund Committee, Screening-cum-Evaluation Committee*, state-level *Scholarship Committee, National & State Drone Policy Committee*, and the committee constituted by the DoHE Shimla to examine the amendments proposed in the *State Private Universities Act* by the *Himachal Pradesh Private Educational Institutions' Regulatory Commission, Himachal Pradesh*.

Dr Rajesh Dhorta, Associate Professor of Commerce, participated as a member of the *Board of Studies (BOS)* in the subject of Commerce for drafting the undergraduate curriculum at the *Himachal Pradesh University*. He was invited to chair a technical session in a National Seminar on *Contemporary Research: Cases & Implications* organized by HPU, Shimla on 25 November 2022. In another technical session in the same seminar, he presented a paper entitled "*Green House Cultivation in Himachal Pradesh: Some Issues*." He participated as *Resource Person* in an ICSSR sponsored International Seminar on

“Transformation of India@75” held at St. Bede's College, Shimla on March 3 & 4, 2023. He presented a paper entitled “Online Retailing in India: Issues & Challenges” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “Digital India Initiative: Problems & Prospects” in a National seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022.

Dr Gopal Krishan, Associate Professor of History, is a member of the *Board of Studies (BOS)* in the subject of History at HP University, Shimla. He published a paper entitled “सिरमौर के स्वतंत्रता सेनानी हीरा सिंह ठाकुर की राष्ट्रीय आंदोलन में भूमिका” in *Shodhak: A Journal of Historical Research* (with impact factor 7.75). He presented a paper entitled “Indian Contribution to World Thought & Culture” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. He presented a paper entitled “लोक संस्कृति, इतिहास और परंपरा का अवदान” in a multi-disciplinary conference on भारतीय लोक संस्कृति एवं पर्यावरण. He also presented a paper in an International Conference on “Education, Preventive Health, Employability & Digital Help” held at Hotel De Park w.e.f. 23-25 September 2022. He chaired a technical session in a seminar organized by *Sardar Patel University, Mandi* w.e.f. 31 October to 1 November 2022. In another technical session of the same seminar, he presented a paper entitled “सरदार वल्लभ भाई पटेल की भारतीय राजनीति और राष्ट्र निर्माण में भूमिका”. He published two books on History of India, which were brought out by Aakash Publications.

Dr Anita Rathour, Associate Professor of Sociology, participated in a workshop on *Research Ethics & Qualitative Data Analysis* organized by Punjab University, Chandigarh on 27 January 2023. She also participated in another workshop on *Intellectual Property Rights* organized by the IQAC, Maibang Degree College, Assam on 29 November 2022. She also attended a 1-week FDP on *Going Glocal: Generating Concern for the State of HP* held at Govt. College Sanjauli w.e.f. 30 May to 4 June 2022.

Dr Rakesh Sharma, Associate Professor of Sanskrit, attended a 7-day FDP on “Dimensions of Wellness: Change Your Habits, Change Your Life” organized by the Research Foundation of India (RFI) w.e.f. 14 to 20 October 2022. He also presented a paper on “संस्कृत साहित्य में आधुनिक रुझान” in an International Conference organized by RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December, 2022. He also presented a paper in a National Seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December, 2022. He also attended a 7-day workshop/FDP on “NAAC: मूल्यांकन एवं प्रत्यायन” organized by RFI, Kasturba Gandhi Rural Institution, Indore.

Dr Shiwani Khatri, Associate Professor of English, presented a paper entitled “Reading Tshering Wangmo's 'A Home in Tibet' as a Travel Memoir” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. She also presented a paper entitled “Pen to Pixel: The Future of Literature Writing” in a National seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022. She also attended a 1-week FDP on *Going Glocal: Generating Concern for the State of HP* held at Govt. College Sanjauli w.e.f. 30 May to 4 June 2022. She also presented a paper in a national seminar jointly organized by Govt. College Sanjauli & Department of Language, Art & Culture, Govt. of HP on 15 March, 2023.

Dr Nidhi Dhatwalia, Assistant Professor of Zoology, attended a two-week *Refresher Course (RC)* on “Environment & Disaster Management” organized by UGC-HRDC, HPU, Shimla w.e.f. 10 to 22 October 2022. She presented a Research Paper entitled “Need of Biomedical Waste Management System for Environment Protection: An Emerging Issue” in a National Conference organized by the Department of Biosciences, HPU, Shimla, w.e.f. 23-24 September, 2022. She also presented a paper entitled “Biodiversity Loss: A Global Concern” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. She also presented a paper entitled “Employability: A Major Challenge in Higher Education” in a International conference on *Education, Preventive health, Employability & Digital Help* organized at Hotel De Park w.e.f. 23-25 September 2022.

Dr Neeraj Sharma, Assistant Professor of Commerce, presented a paper entitled “*Digital India Program: Issues and Challenges*” in a National Seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Online Retailing in India: Issues and Challenges*” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Opportunities & Challenges in Contemporary Research*” in a National Seminar on *Contemporary Research: Cases & Implications* organized by HPU Shimla on 25 November 2022.

Mr Yogesh Sood, Assistant Professor of Physics, participated in a one-week FDP on “*Academic Research Writing*” organized by Teaching-Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi w.e.f. 16-22 July 2022. He also participated in a five-day online FDP on *Insights on Emerging Research in Chemical Science* organized by NIT, Andhra Pradesh w.e.f. 10-14 October 2022. He also participated in another workshop on *Frontier Areas in Materials Research* organized by Indian Academy of Sciences & HPU Shimla w.e.f. 9-10 September 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Ionic Liquids and Sustainable Development*” in an International Conference on *Education, Preventive Health, Employability & Digital Health* organized by Skill India w.e.f. 23-25 September 2022. He presented a paper entitled “*Ionic Liquids as Green Solvents & Application in Daily Life*” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Digital Technology & Sustainable Development*” in a National seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022.

Dr Yesh Desh, Assistant Professor of Physics, presented a paper entitled “*Recent Developments in Nano-Materials & Their Applications*” in an International Symposium on *Recent Trends in Optical Materials & Photonic Devices* organized by Guru Ghasidas University, Bilaspur on 7 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Nanotechnology: Recent Developments, Applications & Risks*” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Use of Digital Technology in Education for Enhancing Learning & Teaching*” in a National Seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022. He participated in a five-day *Faculty Development Program (FDP) on Recent Trends in Condensed Matter Physics* organized by Amity University, Kolkata w.e.f. 25 to 29 July 2022 in hybrid mode.

Dr Vipin, Assistant Professor of Political Science, presented a paper entitled “*Strategies for World Peace in International Relations*” in an International Conference on *VUCA World: Issues & Challenges* held at RKMV Shimla w.e.f. 9-11 December 2022. He also presented a paper entitled “*Impact of Digital Transformation on Indian Democracy*” in a National seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022.

Dr Mohinder Rathour, Assistant Professor of Music (V), released an album entitled “*पहाड़ी कव्वाली Vol. 2*” in 2022. “*पहाड़ी कव्वाली*” is a new genre of Himachali music.

Dr Arvind Paul, Assistant Professor of Geography, participated in a two-week *Refresher Course (RC)* from Teaching-Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.

Dr Satish Kumar, Assistant Professor of Economics, presented a paper entitled “*Digitalization and Sustainable Development: Challenges and Opportunities*” in a National seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022.

Mr. Aditya Singh Dulta, Assistant Professor of English, attended an online 2-week *Refresher Course (RC)* on “*Managing Online Classes & Co-creating MOOCs 16.0*” from Teaching-Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi w.e.f. 13-27 July 2022. He also attended an online 2-week *Refresher Course (RC)* in English w.e.f. 2-16 January 2023 from Teaching-Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University

of Delhi. He completed an 8 week (July-September 2022) online FDP from IIT Madras (through NPTEL-AICTE) on "Introduction to Literary Theory." He attended a 1-week FDP on "Quality Enhancement" organized by the IQAC, Govt. College Sanjauli w.e.f. 28-1-2022 to 3-12-2022. He presented a paper on "Digital Humanities: An Empowering Tool for Indigenes?" in a National Seminar *Digital India: Concept & Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli w.e.f. 23-24 December 2022.

Dr Saroj Devi Negi, Assistant Professor of Public Administration, presented a paper in a National Seminar jointly organized by Govt. College Sanjauli & Department of Language, Art & Culture, Govt. of HP on 15 March, 2023.

Mr. Arun Kumar, Assistant Professor of Hindi presented a paper on "डिजिटल युग में हिंदी का वैश्विक महत्त्व" in a National Seminar on *Digital India: Concept and Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022. He attended the *Induction Training Program* held at SCERT, Solan w.e.f. 25-07-2022 to 6-08-2022. He also presented a paper in a national seminar jointly organized by Govt. College Sanjauli & Department of Language, Art & Culture, Govt. of HP on 15 March, 2023.

Mr Sat Paul, Assistant Professor of Hindi, successfully completed a 1-month Induction/Orientation Course from Teaching-Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi. He also presented a paper in a national seminar jointly organized by Govt. College Sanjauli & Department of Language, Art & Culture, Govt. of HP on 15 March, 2023.

Dr Kalpana Sharma, Assistant Professor of Music (I), participated as member of *Board of Studies (BOS)*, HPU Shimla 5 in the subject of Music to draft the new curriculum under NEP 2020. She presented a paper entitled "Music: Panacea for the Modern Age Problems" in a National Seminar on *Digital India: Concept & Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022.

Dr Jitender Thakur, Assistant Professor of Physical Education, attended a 4-week *Orientation Program (OP)* from Teaching-Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi. He was appointed as *Convenor (Technical Committee)* by HPU Shimla in the *North-Zone Inter-University Cricket (W)* championship held at MLSM Sundernagar w.e.f. 23 November to 4 December 2022. He was appointed as Member, Selection Committee, to select the HP University Cricket Team (M) & (W), by HPU Shimla. He was also appointed by HP University as *Observer* for the smooth conduct of *HPU Inter College Shooting Championship*.

Mr Mrityunjay Sharma, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, qualified the Departmental examination conducted by HIPA. He also attended the 1-week *Office Procedure & Financial Administration (OPFA)* course at HIPA w.e.f. 1-5 August 2022. He also presented a paper entitled "Investigating Response of Drainage to tectonics and SPIM Derived Deforestation Study in Sunni, Shimla, North-western Himalaya, India" in a National Seminar on *Digital India: Concept & Implications* held at Govt. College Sanjauli from 23-24 December 2022.

Mr Rajesh Kumar, Assistant Professor of Geography, published a chapter entitled "Carrying Capacity of Water Supply in Shimla City: A Study of Sustainability and Policy Framework" in a book entitled *Geospatial Modeling for Environmental Management* published by Taylor & Francis. He also submitted his PhD thesis in the subject of Geography.

Shri Ravinder Chatra was promoted as Grade-1 Superintendent.

Future Readiness

Govt. College Theog eagerly awaits the completion of the Science Block of the college, the amount for which has already been sanctioned by the Government and the money deposited with the PWD. The college intends to convert the few remaining classrooms too into smart classrooms attached with CCTV cameras. The college has submitted a proposal for the expansion of the stage on the college ground along with construction of green room(s) and washrooms. The college is fully geared up for the smooth and successful implementation of NEP 2020 from the forthcoming academic session.



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