



Nirmala Communiqué

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COLLEGE WITH POTENTIAL FOR EXCELLENCE (CPE)
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Principal's Message...



Dr. Sr. Jyoti
Principal

Nirmala College, Ranchi has the vision and mission of moulding intellectually competent, morally upright, socially committed and spiritually inspired persons at the service of society, nation and the world at large, by imparting holistic education.

To achieve this, we strive to ensure excellence in the teaching, learning and evaluation process. I believe that the collective effort of everyone, associated with college has enabled us to achieve the status of – “A College with Potential for Excellence” awarded by UGC. I feel that NAAC

Accreditation process has opened the pathway for our improvement and betterment. I also feel that it is the right time to take the Post NAAC Accreditation initiatives seriously because it is demanding more studious task in the coming year to bring quality enhancement and quality sustenance in our higher educational institutions. I am sure that the facilities and opportunities available at the college will continue to inspire the students and teachers to excel in curricular and extracurricular activities. Therefore, let us embrace the armour of wisdom and get ready to walk on the untrodden path of excellence.

College awarded CPE status by UGC

Nirmala College has been awarded "College with Potential for Excellence" (CPE) status during the XIIth Plan period under the CPE scheme by UGC for a period of five years from 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2021. The action plan and budget for CPE was approved at an interface meeting held at the UGC office, New Delhi from 27.01.2016 to 31.01.2016 with the Expert Committee on CPE. The meeting was attended by the Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti and Coordinator, Dr. D. Roy. The funds received under this project will be utilized for developing the infrastructure of the College.

Post-Graduate and new Under-Graduate courses

Contemporaneous to the commencement of UG courses in English & Philosophy, PG courses in Economics, Political Science, Geography, Hindi & History have been started in the new session in 2016. With the commencement of these courses, Nirmala College joins the ranks of the elite which run their own PG courses. Students will not have to seek admission elsewhere but can continue at their Alma Mater.

MHRD—RUSA PROJECT



Nirmala College is one of the 30 colleges of Jharkhand to be selected for an Infrastructure grant under MHRD's Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) in 2015. The institution's RUSA Cell comprising Dr. Sr. Jyoti (Principal), Sr. Shobha (Vice Principal), Dr. D. Roy (Nodal Officer) and Members - Dr. Emma Rani, Dr. N. Pani, Mrs. Sreerupa Roy, Dr. Jaya Rajlakshmi & Sr. Sushila, had submitted a Detailed Project Report & Institutional Development Plan which was approved in Jan 2016. A sensitization workshop was also organized on 10th February 2016 to create awareness about RUSA amongst the teaching and non-teaching staff of the College, so that they can work in unison and achieve desired targets within the stipulated period. The chief speakers on this occasion were Mr. Nitesh Raj (OSD-cum-State Nodal Officer, RUSA) and Dr. M.K. Jamuar (Ranchi University Institutional Coordinator for RUSA). The first installment of the grant received under RUSA has been utilized to procure books for library, sports kits, classroom furniture, computers, LAN/ Wi-Fi, INFLIBNET and other important items for developing the infrastructure of the institution.

INFLIBNET N-LIST PROGRAMME

In an attempt to meet the demands of technology-driven higher education, the institution has registered with the N-LIST Programme of Information and Library Network Centre (INFLIBNET) to access its pool of global e-Resources by linking its Internet server with the Ahmedabad-based consortium's website. N-LIST stands for "National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content". The programme is funded by the MHRD under NME-ICT to extend access to selected e-Resources to colleges covered under Section 12B of UGC Act as well as Non-aided colleges. The Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti inaugurated the INFLIBNET section of the College



Library on 1st August, 2016. Vice Principal (Sr. Shobha), RUSA Nodal Officer (Dr. D. Roy), College administrator for N-LIST Programme (Mrs. Sreerupa Roy) and the staff were present on this occasion. The college has already installed a high speed LAN/ Wi-Fi in its campus. The authorized users from the college can now have free access to e-Resources which include more than 135000 e-books and 6000 journals worldwide and download articles required by them directly from the publisher's website. The College Library is also under the process of digitization.

BEST PRACTICES

Rain Water harvesting

In keeping with its eco-friendly efforts, the college has adopted rain water harvesting as one of its best practices. 8 recharge pits, each 5' wide and 6' deep & 2 recharge pits, each 7' wide & 8' deep have been built in the premises of the college. The catchment area includes the terrace of the college building and the paved and unpaved open ground. Water accumulating in these pits percolates to supplement the ground water. Since the inception of rain water harvesting in the college, the campus has become greener as the moisture content of the soil has been



augmented. The deep bore wells of the college have water throughout the year and the rain water does not flood the roads and driveways of the college even after heavy showers.

Installation of *Suraksha* machine

A sanitary napkin disposal machine/ incinerator was installed on 25th June 2016 in the college. The initiative was taken by Junior Chamber International (JCI) under “Suraksha Project”. National president, JCI, Rajshree Bhade donated the *Suraksha Machine* to endorse cleanliness in the college campus and promote healthy habits.



NSS ACTIVITIES

International Yoga Day



The NSS unit of Nirmala College celebrated/ organised many events round the year. ‘World Environment Day’ was celebrated on 5th June, 2015 with a Slogan Writing competition. ‘Sadbhawana Diwas’ on 20th August saw students taking a pledge to work for peace, unity and integrity, while adopting non-violent methods. Gambhar, sheesham and neem saplings were distributed on 6th, 7th and 8th September, and students were advised on the need of conserving and nurturing the environment. NUSSD classes also began with admissions

escalating under the guidance of Mr. Avinash Anand, senior fellow, NUSSD, TISS. This totally free course assists students in learning life-skills which will make them employable in the future. A Painting and Essay Writing Competition was organized in collaboration with Atul Gera under JSACS to raise awareness among the students on the need for voluntary blood donation.

The winners were felicitated in a special program in Aryabhata Hall. Two students from the college, Sanyogita Hassa and Sudha Marandi, accompanied by NSS Program Officer Dr. Janet Andrew (Dept. of English) took part in an Adventure Sports Camp organized by the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh at Hatkothi, Shimla in September. 26th November, 2015, Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar’s birthday, was observed as ‘First Constitution Day’ with a Nukkad Natak in the campus to create awareness of the importance of the Constitution, and the rights and duties of each citizen.



National Youth Day was celebrated on 12th January, 2016 to pay tribute to Swami Vivekananda on the occasion of his Birth Anniversary. Students were exhorted to follow his example and tread the path shown by him. “Training on Gender Sensitive Legal Measures” was the theme for the meeting on 8th March, 2016 of over 100 volunteer students from eight different colleges. On 10th March, a Career Counselling Session in collaboration with Times of India Group gave the students a much needed forum to learn Time Management as well as importance of different skills, especially Functional English. A Special

Camp was organized from 23rd to 29th May at Latma Village under NSS Program Officer, Dr. Sr. Sushma (Dept. of Pol. Sc.), where problems faced by the villagers were taken into cognizance and Ward Commissioner promised to look into the most acute shortcomings like lack of toilets and drinking water. On 21st June, International Yoga Day, Dr. Sr. Jyoti (Principal), Dr. Sr. Sushma as well as ten students took part in the program organized by NSS Ranchi University.



NATIONAL SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

National Seminar, Department of Geography

A National seminar was organized by the Department of Geography in association with Konkani Geographers of Maharashtra on “Environmental Degradation - Challenges & Remedies” on 5th and 6th November, 2015. Chief Patron and Chief Guest for the seminar was Hon’ble Vice Chancellor Ranchi University (Prof. R K Pandey). This was the first time that the Konkani Geographers had organized their Annual Conference in Eastern India. The seminar sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi witnessed participation of more than 140 delegates. Ten technical sessions were held. On this occasion a book on ‘Population Geography’ authored by the Convener Dr. Debjani Roy was released by the Ex VC of Patna University Prof. L.N. Ram.



National Seminar, Department of Psychology



An ICSSR sponsored Annual Conference of IPA and National Seminar was organized by the Department of Psychology on ‘Mapping Practices in Psychology: Critical issue and current Perspectives’ on 7th and 8th February, 2016. The seminar was held in collaboration with IPA (Indian Psychological Association), the oldest and the largest professional body of Psychology, established in 1924. The Chief Patron of the seminar was Prof. R K Pandey (Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University) and Patron was Dr. Sr. Jyoti (Principal). Prof. Jitendra Mohan of Chandigarh University was the keynote speaker. Convener of the Seminar was Dr. Jyoti Prasad (Head,

Dept. of Psychology). The seminar witnessed a registration of 185 delegates. 65 papers were presented in 8 technical sessions.

Seminar, Department of Political Science

Chetna, Department of Political Science, in collaboration with Pratigya & Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti (an autonomous body under Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi), organized a two-day Seminar on 14th & 15th March, 2016 as co-hosts with Pratigya, a registered Trust having 12A and 80G certification from IT Dept. and FCRA registration from Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The theme of the seminar was “Gandhi, Youth Volunteerism and Constructive Work”. The Chief Speaker was Padma Shri Ashok Bhagat, Secretary, Vikas Bharti, Bishnupur, Ranchi. Dr. Shahid Akhtar, Ex-Chairman, Jharkhand State Minorities Commission, and President, Pratigya, Ajay Kumar were present as resource persons. The technical sessions were chaired by Prof. B.K. Sinha, H.O.D. Political Science, St. Xavier’s College, Ranchi and Dr. Rashmimala Sahu (HOD, Pol.Sci). 64 B.A. Part III Political Science students and faculty members participated in the seminar.



NAAC- sponsored National Workshop on 'Enhancing Quality in Higher Educational Institutions', Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The IQAC of the college with Dr. Emma Seraphim as the Convener, held a two-day workshop on 'Enhancing Quality in Higher Educational Institutions' on 30th April and 1st May, 2016. Principal and

Chairperson IQAC, Dr. Sr Jyoti, Chief guest, Prof. Dr. M. Raziuddin (Hon'ble Pro-VC, Ranchi University, Ranchi), Guest of Honour- Prof. L.N. Bhagat (former Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University), Dr. A. K. Choudhary (Registrar, Ranchi University) and Chief Resource Person- Mr. B.S Ponmudiraj (Deputy Advisor, NAAC, Bangalore) were present. In their address, each shared their vision for Nirmala College in the field of higher education. Mr. B. S Ponmudiraj, the keynote speaker, presented the vision and mission of NAAC. Dr. Moushumi Datta (Nagindas Khandwala College, Mumbai University), the resource person for the second day, emphasized the importance of academic and administrative audit as a tool to enhance quality in higher educational institutions. Chief guest Dr. Fr. Alexius Ekka (Director, XISS, Ranchi) spoke about leadership qualities. Dr. S.C Gupta (DSW, Ranchi University) discussed the role of IQAC specially after NAAC accreditation. Next, Rev. Sr. Lidwin Mary (GB secretary SCJM, Nirmala college) addressed the dignitaries and said that only a far-sighted leader can give proper guidance. Education opens all roads to development. 120 delegates participated in the two-day workshop.



RANCHI UNIVERSITY INTER COLLEGE YOUTH FESTIVAL 2015

17 colleges of Ranchi University participated in the three-day Inter College Youth Festival (7th – 9th December 2015) organized by Nirmala College. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Honorable Pro VC Dr. M. Raziuddin. Other esteemed guests were Dr. Amar Kr Choudhary (Registrar), Dr. S.C Gupta (D.S.W.) & Cultural Coordinators Dr. Ajay Malkani and Dr. K. K. Bose. The



Youth Festival witnessed

around 450 participations in different events with 90 students participating in the musical events, 127 in dance events, 42 in Literary events, 106 in theatre events and 62 in Fine Arts events. The events comprised Classical Dance, Classical Instrumental Solo, Light Vocal Indian, Classical Vocal Solo, Folk/Tribal Dance, Folk Orchestra, Western Vocal Solo, Spot Photography, Skit & One-act Play, Mime & Mimicry, Elocution, Debate, Quiz, Collage, Poster

making, Cartooning, On-the-spot painting, Rangoli, Clay Modeling, Installation, Group Song (Indian), Group Song (Western). Students of Nirmala College bagged first prizes in 11 events (Folk dance, Folk Orchestra, D. Usha for Classical Dance, Rakhi Kisku for Spot Photography, Pragati Singh for Elocution, Soni Kumari Yadav for Debate, Shivani Kumari for Collage, Jiji George for Poster Making, Zimkoria Guria for Clay Modelling, Mani Toppo for Rangoli & Chandni Kumari for On-the-spot Painting) and second prizes in 3 events (One-act Play, Mimicry & Manika



Ekka for Debate). Nirmala college secured a total of 128 points and was declared the Overall Champion while Ranchi College and SSM College, Ranchi were the First and second runners –up respectively.



NIRMALA COLLEGE: THE OVERALL CHAMPION

FAREWELL FUNCTIONS

Students' Farewell

Nirmala College bade adieu to 622 final year graduation students of 2013-2016 batch on the 1st of March 2016. The college faculty organized a farewell ceremony to make this day memorable and say goodbye with their golden message of "Let your Light Shine". The recipient of the *Sr. Priscilla Memorial Award* (introduced this year for the college topper) was Ashia Shafi of Maths Honors (batch 2012-2015). The award comprises a cash prize of Rs. 1000, a Certificate and a Trophy. The members of the students' union were felicitated by the Principal. The students of Part III also felicitated Sister Superior Sr. Lidwin Mary, Principal Dr. Sr. Jyoti and the Vice Principal Sr. Shobha and presented a wall clock to the college. Outgoing students were presented mementoes by the respective Heads of the Departments.



Farewell Ceremony of Dr. Sheela Sanyal

Dr. Sheela Sanyal, HOD, Department of Chemistry, who retired after 39 years of service was bid farewell in a ceremony organized on 4th May 2016. Dr. Sr. Jyoti expressed her heartfelt thanks to Dr. Sanyal for her selfless and passionate service to the college and felicitated her with a Letter of Appreciation. Dr. Sheela Sanyal shared some good memories of her career in the college and wished it new heights of success.



हिन्दी दिवस, हिन्दी पखवाड़ा

निर्मला कॉलेज में दो दिवसीय हिन्दी पखवाड़ा का आयोजन दिनांक 22 और 23 सितम्बर 2015 को किया गया। बतौर मुख्य अतिथि झारखंड के प्रसिद्ध साहित्यकार एवं हिन्दी विशेषज्ञ डॉ. अशोक प्रियदर्शी एवं विशिष्ट अतिथि प्रसिद्ध हिन्दी कवयित्री एवं कॉलेज की पूर्व हिन्दी विभागाध्यक्ष डॉ. नीरा परमार ने हिन्दी भाषा का समृद्ध होता विश्वरूप एवं भारतीय परिदृश्य में हिन्दी की स्थिति पर विस्तार से प्रकाश डाला। कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ आशा एवं विश्वास का प्रतीक स्वरूप दीप प्रज्ज्वलन के साथ हुआ। हिन्दी विभागाध्यक्ष डॉ. रेणु सिन्हा ने विश्व रंगमंच पर हिन्दी का उज्ज्वल बढ़ते कदम के प्रति प्रसन्नता व्यक्त करते हुए राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर हिन्दी भाषियों के द्वारा ही हिन्दी के प्रति उपेक्षणीय वृत्ति पर क्षोभ जाहिर किया। छात्राओं ने भी आलेख प्रस्तुत कर अपने विचार रखे। इस अवसर पर कॉलेज की प्राचार्या, डॉ सिस्टर ज्योति, उपप्राचार्या सिस्टर शोभा, हिन्दी विभाग एवं कॉलेज की अनेक शिक्षिकाएँ एवं छात्राएँ उपस्थित थीं।



CAREER COUNSELLING/ TRAINING PROGRAMMES

The IQAC of the College in collaboration with Career Launcher, Ranchi, conducted a five-day Workshop on 'Aptitude Test Taking Skills for Competitive Exams' from 12th March to 19th March, where the underprivileged students of B.A./ B.Sc. III were given free coaching classes for competitive test taking strategy. The students who successfully completed the Workshop were awarded certificates by Dr. Sr. Jyoti and the Director, Career Launcher, Ranchi, Mr. Santosh Kumar in a Felicitation Ceremony organized in the college on 29th March, 2016. Dr. Debjani Roy and Dr. Afrinul Haque Khan coordinated the programme.

NSS unit of Nirmala College organised a career counselling session in collaboration with Times of India Group on 10th March, 2016. Saurav Ghosal, Assistant Manager, Student Relation shared tips on how to ace Group Discussion & Personal Interview. Students learnt the importance of Functional English in Communication Skill and Time Management, a brief account of the courses run by Times of India for MBS/MMS in 5 Universities across India, especially in Business, Banking and Finance services.

39 students of BCA & IT participated in BSNL Training Programme on "Data Communication Networking" from 14th - 16th February, 2016.

NEW SHORT-TERM COURSE

In order to enhance technical skills and promote computer literacy, the IQAC of Nirmala College, Ranchi, in association with NSL Comp Jharkhand conducted a short term course, DCA (Diploma in Computer Application) of 90 days' duration, for the students and non-teaching staff. The students were trained on Fundamentals of Computer Architecture, MS Office, Operating Systems, Open Source Software, e-Commerce, Electronic Communication, Cyber Security Basic, Understanding Server and Network Technology, and Photoshop. Thirty-four students and thirty-two non-teaching staff attended the course and successfully completed it. The course was coordinated by Dr. Debjani Roy and Dr. Indu Kumari.

OTHER COLLEGE EVENTS

Nirmala College also celebrated Independence Day, Republic Day and Teacher's Day. Co-curricular activities were held regularly in every department throughout the year. Department of Commerce organized its first 'A.P.J Abdul Kalam Memorial Lecture' on 4th Feb 2016. Department of Botany hosted an exhibition on 'Medicinal Plants' while Department of Zoology organized a 'Blood -Group detection and health camp'. 'Miss Elegant-cum-Designer Show' organized by the Department of Fashion Designing, an industrial visit by the Department of Economics, a Seminar on UNO by Department of History, Seminar on 'Digital India' by Department of IT, Seminar on 'Cyber Security' by Department of BCA and a workshop on 'Computer Skills' by Department of Mathematics were some of the events held during this year.

TRAILBLAZERS

COLLEGE TOPPERS: RU DEGREE EXAMINATION 2016



SHABA PARVEEN
B.Sc. (IT)



AMRITA ANAND



SEEMA ANJEL MARKEY
BOTANY



PRIYANKA SINGH
HISTORY



KHUSHBOO KUMARI
HISTORY



ANSHUMALA
KERKETTA (FD)



SUNITA KACHHAP
HINDI



D. USHA
GEOGRAPHY



ELISHA MANJU HEMBROM
MATHEMATICS



SWEEKRITI KUMARI
POLITICAL SCIENCE



AFSHAN AHMAD
PSYCHOLOGY



MANIKA EKKA
ZOOLOGY



PREETY
MINZ

ECONOMICS

TOPPERS: TISS-NUSSD (CERTIFICATE IN MANAGEMENT AND SOFT SKILLS)



KUMARI ANJALI
FIRST



MADHURI KUMARI DAS
SECOND



B. POOJA
THIRD

COMPETITION WINNERS



RAGINI KUMARI



PAYAL BHATIA

THIRD POSITION, CHEMCLAVE'16 (QUIZ)



NIKITA
KUMARI



PRIYANKA
SINGH

**SECOND POSITION,
INTER COLLEGE QUIZ COMPETITION
ICFAI UNIVERSITY, JHARKHAND**

PLACEMENTS (2015 -16)



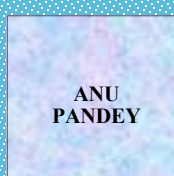
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INFOSYS