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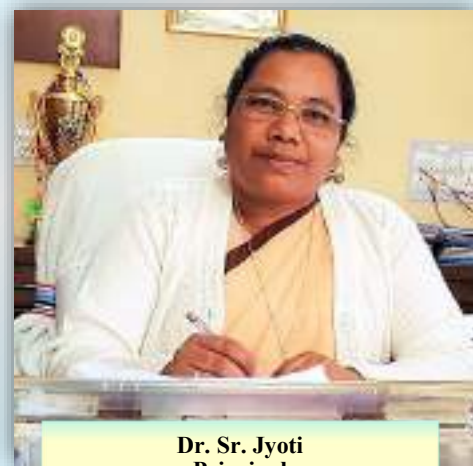
Principal's Message...

"Excellence happens not by accident. It is a process"

-APJ Abdul Kalam

Nirmala College, with its emphasis on quality as concept and practice, continues to move ahead in its march towards excellence. Our dreams and hopes, plans and projects, efforts and endeavours have eventually culminated in the attainment of awards of excellence – the status of “A College with Potential for Excellence” and the Accreditation by NAAC with Grade ‘A’. But, as APJ Abdul Kalam rightly mentions, “Excellence... is a process”, the process continues, enabling the institution with its able management, dedicated faculty, hardworking non-teaching staff and sincere students to excel and shine and carve out a prestigious place on the academic map of the nation.

At this juncture, I wish to congratulate and thank the management, the members of the teaching and non-teaching staff and the students for their consistent efforts, whole hearted cooperation, collaboration and active participation, keeping in alignment with our motto “One heart One mind” to achieve the vision and mission of the institution. I also take this opportunity to reiterate the commitment of the institution towards the task of empowering the young girls and making them “powerful resources of the nation” – morally upright, intellectually enlightened and elevated individuals of integrity who can render their best in creating a just and humane society.



**Dr. Sr. Jyoti
Principal**

NAAC ACCREDITATION: GRADE 'A'

A three-membered NAAC Peer Team, comprising the Chairperson, Prof. Manimala Das (Former Vice Chancellor, Netaji Subhash Open University, Kolkata), Member Co-ordinator, Dr. F. Andrew (Principal, St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli), and Member, Dr. Rohini Prasad (Vice Chancellor, Sarguja University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh) visited Nirmala College from 28th - 29th August 2017 for the second cycle of Re-accreditation. The Peer team members interacted with the Principal, members of the IQAC Steering Committee and stakeholders to authenticate the profile

of the institution. They also interacted with the Library management committee, Accounts office, Main office, parents, students, hostelers to validate and assess the quality of institutional functioning and facilities available to the students. A cultural programme was presented by the students to welcome the Peer team. The Exit Meet was held on 29th August where the Chairperson handed over the



sealed report to the Principal. The Peer Team members also released a book on 'Quality Enhancement in Higher

Educational Institutions: Issues, Practices and Perspectives' edited by Dr. Rashmimala Sahu and Dr. Afrine Khan., which is a compilation of research papers that were presented at a two-day NAAC sponsored National Workshop held on 30th April—1st May 2016. The team highly appreciated the functioning of the institution. The college was accredited with Grade A.

NAAC EXIT MEET



IQAC INITIATIVES

Short Term Course in Basic Computer Skills



Forty-Two students of the fourth batch, successfully completed the 90 days' short-term course, DCA (Diploma in Computer Application) organized by the IQAC of Nirmala College in association with NSL Comp, Jharkhand. The students were given certificates on 23rd March 2018. Dr. Debjani Roy and Dr. Indu Kumari of IQAC, Nirmala College coordinated the entire course.

Faculty Enrichment Programmes

A Faculty Enrichment Program was organized by IQAC in the college on 19th June 2017. Dr. Snigdha Chatterjee,

Gynecologist, Guru Nanak Hospital, was invited as the Resource Person. She spoke on 'The State of Well-Being of Women'. She discussed the issues of health and fitness of women.

Another Faculty Enrichment Program was organized by Nirmala College IQAC on 3rd January 2018. Professor Taposh Ghoshal, a senior management professional and presently CEO of Astra Training Consultants, an International Training consultancy Firm, was invited as the Resource Person. He delivered his views on 'Professional Ethics'. True professionalism, according to



him, demands total commitment, honesty and devotion towards one's profession. Both the Faculty Enrichment Programs were organized under the able leadership of Dr. Sr. Jyoti, Principal, Nirmala College.

Disaster Management Workshop in Nirmala College

A one- day Disaster Management Workshop was organized at Nirmala College on 5th August 2017 by IQAC in collaboration with Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organisation. The chief Resource Person, Mr. Chandrashekhar and his team made the participants aware of various rescue techniques and taught them about the basics of firefighting, first aid and different relief measures. The participants were also taught how to become first responders in case of calamities as well as

coached to organize disaster management teams in the college. 51 students participated in the Workshop. The event was coordinated by Dr. Debjani Roy and Dr. Emma Rani Seraphim under the supervision and guidance of Dr. Sr. Jyoti, Principal, Nirmala College.



MHRD-Rashtriya Uchhatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)



Nirmala College was selected as one of the 30 colleges in Jharkhand for Infrastructure Grant under Component 7 of MHRD-RUSA in 2015. The first three instalment of the funds received has been utilized for procuring new equipments, creating new infrastructural facilities and for renovation and upgradation of existing facilities. MHRD constantly monitors the physical progress of the projects through the RUSA-Jharkhand audit, Utilization Certificates submitted from time to time, Geo-tagged photographs and data uploaded on BHUVAN-RUSA, PFMS and Institution's Fund Tracker portal.

RUSA- sponsored Two-day National Seminar

The National Seminar on "Role of Industries in Enhancing the Quality of Higher Education" was organized on 15th & 16th July 2017 by the Department of Zoology and Department of Geography, Nirmala College, Ranchi in collaboration with Ranchi University and sponsored by RUSA (Rashtriya Uchhatar Shiksha Abhiyaan). The Inaugural Session witnessed the gracious presence of Chief Guest, Prof. Ramesh Kr. Pandey (Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University), Guest of Honour, Prof. Kamini Kumar (Pro VC, Ranchi University), Patron, Dr. Sister Jyoti (Principal, Nirmala College), Key note speaker, Prof. O.R.S Rao (VC, ICFAI



Inaugural Session

University, Jharkhand), Dr. B. K Sinha (RUSA Nodal Officer, Ranchi University), Dr. S.D. Singh (RUSA State Nodal Officer), Deputy Directors of Higher and Technical Education Department and the Conveners of the Seminar, Dr. Emma Rani Seraphim (H.O.D, Zoology) and Dr. Debjani Roy (H.O.D, Geography). Prof. ORS Rao, in his Keynote Address, stressed on the importance of creating a proper balance between imparting education and employability. Three special lectures were conducted during the Seminar. Prof. Madan Mohan Ranga (H.O.D., Environmental Sciences, Sarguja University, Chhattisgarh) spoke on "Quality education and its importance". Prof. Yeshwant Khillare (Director of International Relations, Babasaheb Ambedkar University, Aurangabad) spoke on "Enhancing quality through skill development and RUSA. Dr. Avijit Ghosh (Chairman-cum-Managing Director of HEC, Ranchi) spoke on "Make in India, Made in India and capital goods sector". The seminar witnessed 45 papers presented in 3 technical sessions over two days.



Mr. Abu Imran

The Chief Guest for the valedictory session was Mr. Abu Imran (IAS), Director, Dept. of Higher, Technical Education & Skill Development. He addressed the gathering on origin and evolution of Universities and expected the Industry-Academia partnership to be fruitful for enhancing the quality and environment of the institutions of higher learning and generating employment. A Panel discussion was held, chaired by Dr. B.K Sinha, Dr. Kirti Avishek (BIT Mesra, Ranchi), Dr. Kuntal Mukherjee (BIT Mesra, Ranchi) and Dr. Joystu Dutta (Sarguja University, Chhattisgarh) during which ideas on "Educational System Dynamics and Counselling", "Role of IT Sector in Yielding Jobs" & "Need of Environmental Science Education" were deliberated upon and shared.

Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti felicitated the dignitaries, extended her gratitude and in her welcome address said that the deliberations from the seminar will have a positive impact on the quality of higher education. Participants gave positive feedback on the Seminar. Organizing Secretaries- Dr. Anjali Smita, Dr. Manisha Kumari, Dr. Veenapani, Dr. Parveen Zahra, Sr. Suman and Jyotsna Ekka played an important role in the success of this seminar.

UGC-COLLEGE WITH POTENTIAL FOR EXCELLENCE

The college has been awarded the CPE status by UGC during the 12th plan for a period of five years (2016-2021). First instalment of the funds received under this scheme has been utilized for procuring books for the College Library, sports facilities (Netball), ICT devices and teaching aids, upgradation of the classrooms, existing laboratories, internet connectivity and internet services, automation of College Library, installation of a new GIS-Remote Sensing lab, facilitating sports coaching and in conducting Capacity Building National Workshop for the enrichment of teachers. Skill development programmes and installation of a new language laboratory is under planning.

UGC-CPE Sponsored Capacity Building National Workshop

A two- day Capacity Building National Workshop on "Writing Research Paper" funded by UGC-CPE Scheme was conducted on 9th and 10th December 2017. Chief Guest, Dr. Ramesh Kumar Pandey (Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University) and Guest of Honour, Prof. Shailendra Singh (Director, IIM Ranchi) graced the occasion on the inaugural day. Eminent academicians were invited as resource persons to deliver their ideas and inputs on writing and publication of a research paper including contents, referencing styles and tools, choosing the right journal, publishing ethics and plagiarism. The programme was scheduled across 08 interactive technical

sessions. The first two sessions started with Prof. P.K. Ray from IIT Kharagpur, presenting the topic “Research and Research Paper Writing”. He discussed the fundamentals of research methodology – from defining and quantifying a research problem to the scientific principles that should be adopted to draft a good quality research paper. Prof. Kumar Alok (IIM, Ranchi) shared his knowledge on Writing Research Paper with special reference to “Literature review” for original & review articles. Prof. Shrinivas Goli, from JNU, New Delhi conducted the next three sessions on "Research Process and Writing: Conception of Idea to Outcome". During the 7th & 8th technical sessions, Prof. Anurag Deep (National Institute of Law, New Delhi) spoke on plagiarism, exemplifying its various consequences & penalties and



Valedictory Session

measures to be adopted to avoid it. The Chief Guest for Valedictory Session was Dr. Amar Kr. Chaudhary (Registrar, Ranchi University). It was the first time that a PG College affiliated to Ranchi University had organized

such a workshop. The outcome was positive and encouraging as expressed by 172 participants from different universities of the country including 88 faculty members, 63 Research Scholars and 21 students, in their concluding remarks. Dr. Sr.

Jyoti, Principal & Patron of the Workshop applauded the efforts of the CPE Team – Convener, Dr. Debjani Roy and Organizing Secretaries - Sr. Shobha Beck (Vice Principal), Dr. Veenapani, Dr. Sukanya Chakrabarty, Mrs. Sreerupa Roy, Mrs. Prachi Poli Tigga & Dr. Pinky Pandey in making the event a grand success.

NSS WING ACTIVITIES



As has been seen in all previous years, the past year too has seen the NSS wings of Nirmala College taking part actively and enthusiastically in many programs. On 22nd May 2017, a programme was held in B.N.R. Chanakya Hotel with Kailash Satyarthi, Nobel Prize winner on the topic “Kishor, Kishori, Evam Yuva Samvad”. 21st June 2017 was observed as World Yoga Day by Ranchi University in which 20 NSS volunteers from Nirmala

College took part in the Convocation ground in Morhabadi. On 7th July 2017, Road Safety Awareness programme was organized. Traffic S.P. Sanjay Ranjan Singh spoke about the problems and consequences of speeding. A street play was the medium for the message. On World





Population Day 100 NSS Volunteers took out a rally, which was flagged off by the Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University, Dr. Ramesh Kumar Pandey to create awareness among people. On 29th July 2017, Tree Plantation programme was inaugurated by the Ward Paarshad, Ward No. 47, Shashi Singh. On 29th July 2017, an Orientation Programme was organized for NSS volunteers to motivate them before observing Swachhata Pakhwara from 1st to 15th August 2017, and a seminar was organized on Swachh Bharat and government scheme to start Swachhata Pakhwara week. Municipal

Nodal Officer Sandeep Kumar as the resource person spoke about government policies to make the city clean through Swachhata App. In observation of Swachhata Pakhwara class rooms, toilets, college campus, the surroundings and vicinity of the premises, as well as college library were cleaned, and the books of the college library were arranged and tidied. A Rally was taken out to create awareness among the people about cleanliness. Krishna Singh Park in Doranda was also a site chosen to be cleaned of litter. On 4th September 2017, 20 NSS Volunteers took part in Pre-Republic Day Parade Selection Camp on University Level in the convocation grounds at Morhabadi. On 21st September 2017, 20 NSS volunteers took part in RUN FOR UNITY. December 2017 saw the addition of the 3rd NSS Wing in Nirmala College, under Dr. Manisha Kumari. Now the student volunteers are not only from Arts and Science but also from Commerce streams. 1st Dec 2017- World AIDS day was observed by tying the red ribbon on the Principal, teachers, non-teaching staff and the students. Awareness was created through sending SMS on mobile. On 12th January 2018, National Youth Day was observed on the Birthday of Swami Vivekananda. A programme was organized to highlight the contribution of Swami Vivekananda for youth empowerment.



On 30th January 2018, NSS Program Officers Dr. Sr. Sushma and Dr. Manisha attended Voluntary Blood Donation Awareness One Day Training Programme in JSACS (Jharkhand AIDS

Control Society). On 3rd February 2018, a rally was taken out by 300 volunteers to observe World Cancer Survivors' Day and on 24th February for Nasha Mukti. Seven Day Special Camp of unit 1 under Dr. Sr. Sushma was organized from 28th Feb to 6th March 2018 in Sai Gram BhusurKocha village under the theme Health and Hygiene. 50 NSS Volunteers took part in it. They surveyed the village to know their problems and conditions. A Free Health Camp was organized for the villagers. Doctor



Anand Kumar Jha and Doctor Anshu (from Sadar Hospital, Ranchi) checked 80 patients and gave medical advice to the villagers. The volunteers cleaned the roads and surrounding areas of the village. From 17th March to 23rd March, 7 Days Special Camp of Unit 2 (on the theme General Health) & Unit 3 (on the theme Mental health & Education), were organized in the villages Bariktoli Upper basti and Bariktoli Niche Kocha. Dr. Prakash Kumar Jha (NSS Coordinator, Ranchi University) was the Chief Guest for the inaugural function. Both units conducted a survey of the villages. A Free Health Camp was organized for the villagers. A Nukkad Natak on the theme of the Disadvantages of Intoxication was performed to create



awareness among the people about the demerits of the use of tobacco and liquor. At the Closing of Special Camp of Unit 2 & Unit 3, Reports of both units were presented by the programme officers respectively Dr. Ranju Kumari & Dr. Manisha Kumari. International Women's Day was celebrated on 8th March, with 2 skits being presented highlighting social evils against women, and how women can help to overcome these. "Press for Progress" was the theme for this year. On the 13th of April, Voters' Awareness Programme was organized to sensitize the students about what is Voting, their voting rights, working of EVM, and NOTA. As has always been for the past few years, NSS wings made their mark on society and the public with their many programmes.



SPORTS & N.C.C.

Empowering Young Women through Karate

As a step towards empowering young women, Nirmala College imparts training in self- defense in the form of 'Karate', a Chinese martial art which helps in strengthening one's mind, body and soul. Classes are held on a regular basis in association with Jharkhand State Karate Association, coordinated by Dr. Nagalakshmi Pani (HOD, Department of Mathematics). The four batches of students are coached by Sensei Sandeep Kumar twice a week. Currently 52 girls have registered for this class.

Netball coaching in Nirmala College

Under the sports for development program in Nirmala College, 4 students namely, Richa Rani (BCA II), Sakshi



Singh (BCA II), Shilpi Kumari (B.Sc. II- Mathematics) and Sarika Kumari (BCA II) were selected for the 35th

Senior Netball National Championship. The students representing the Jharkhand State Team participated in the National Championship held in Chandigarh from 27th March to 30th March 2018.

NCC wing of Nirmala College

Nirmala College added another feather to its cap with the addition of an NCC wing under Associate NCC Officer (A.N.O) Dr. Sony Perwin. Classes and practice began on 6th January 2018, and every Saturday there is practice for Parade under a Commanding Officer from 2.30 to 4.00 pm. In the 1st Unit itself, 54 students have enrolled from I.A., I.Com., B.A and B.Sc.



The N.C.C. Wing

WOMEN'S DAY

Nirmala College & Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) organized a programme on “*Women Empowerment through Financial Literacy*” in association with NiSM (National Institute of Securities Markets), an educational initiative of SEBI, on 8th March 2018 in the College premises. Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti felicitated the guests - Dr. Sandip Ghosh (Director, NiSM), Shri GP Garg (Registrar, NiSM), Shri Gyanendra Niraj (AGM, SEBI Jharkhand), Ms. Jayanti Ghosh (Academic and Career Counsellor, NiSM) and Dr. Raman Ballabh (State Coordinator, TISS-EXCEL). Shri Gyanendra Niraj gave the statistics of great divide between Eastern and Western India where Eastern India has a very low percent of people planning their money



and investment due to inadequate financial literacy. Sri GP Garg introduced NiSM as the only institute that provides authorized Certification in Securities and Share Markets. Ms. Jayanti Ghose encouraged the girls to identify and recognize their talents and strengths to reveal their personality. The Chief Guest, Shri Sandip Ghose, introduced the term “trainer” in its new concept and appealed to the students to become certified trainers with financial expertise. He spoke about different programs conducted by NiSM, for Principals, Staff and students. Mr. Pradeep Gupta & Mr. Avinash Anand (Programme Manager, TISS-EXCEL), Ms. Aswathi Nair, faculty members and students of the College were present during this event.

ECO CLUB ACTIVITIES

Green Audit

Nirmala College has set as a basic priority, the maintaining of a healthy and clean environment in and around the campus. With this initiative, the Green Team was formed, consisting of Principal Dr. Sr Jyoti as the Patron, Dr. K. K. Nag (Retd. Vice Chancellor, R. U.) as the Advisor, Faculty members from the Department of Botany, Chemistry, Geography and Zoology (Dr. Emma Seraphim, Dr. Anjali Smita, Dr. Veenapani, Dr. Manisha

Kumari, Dr. Anubhuti Singh, Dr. Indu Kumari, Dr. Neetu Rani, Mrs. Sreerupa Roy, Dr. Perween Zahra and Ms. Jyotsna Ekka.) as well as students of the college as members. The Green Team of the college monitors the greenery and cleanliness in the college. It has laid down certain objectives and goals to benefit from this strategic effort of environment building. To make this effort more accountable, the team conducts GREEN AUDIT to maintain proper synchrony between biotic and abiotic

factors of the environment to upgrade and sustain the natural virtues of environment. The team has taken up several measures like plantations, maintenance of herbal garden, compost pits as waste disposal units, plastic-free zone, energy conservation and rain water harvesting. These initiatives have led to a more effective and hygienic environment. The plantations give a more healthy atmosphere containing fresh oxygen for sustenance, compost pits keep on converting litter to useful manure and humus, LED bulbs and proper use of electric appliances restrict the power consumptions thereby fulfilling the goals of energy conservation, plastic-free zone keeps the campus free from the toxic effects of plastic and rainwater harvesting serves the purpose of maintaining the capillary reserves of underground water and restricts water logging and flooding in the nearby areas. Thus, the College consistently keeps itself updated with best environmental measures for safeguarding the atmosphere around us. It motivates and sensitises the students to understand, respect and conserve the natural resources and beauty that have been endowed by Earth.

Earth Day

Under the initiative of Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board, Dhurwa, Ranchi, the Green Team of Nirmala College established ECO CLUB on 21st April 2018 for spreading awareness and inculcating responsibility among the students to preserve Natural Resources provided as



boon to humanity. The Programme started with the prayer for the Earth. In her welcome speech Dr. Sr. Jyoti, Principal and Head of the Eco Club team stressed on the utility and importance of Nature. Dr. Nitesh Priyadarshi, an eminent environmentalist, was the Chief Guest of the day. He delivered a wonderful and inspiring lecture on the very relevant issue of “*Rivers in Jharkhand*” He made several suggestions to control and check the level of pollution in these water bodies. He eloquently talked about the disasters and terrible influence of aquatic pollution and made an appeal to students to contribute as

individuals in their own small ways to spread awareness for the conservation of Earth. Slogan Writing, Poster Making and Nukkad Natak competitions were organised on the focal theme of Earth and

Environment Sustainability. Winners were awarded certificates and Prizes by the Principal. The Coordinator of the Eco Club, Dr. Emma Seraphim and Principal Dr. Sr. Jyoti hoisted the Earth Day Flag and proudly proclaimed that Nirmala College has consistently been contributing towards keeping the environment clean and prosperous by several measures like Rain Water Harvesting, Compost Pit, and Herbal Garden etc. This helps our students to build sensitivity and regard towards Nature that provides us with everything. Students showcased their talents and thoughts through a beautifully enacted Nukkad Natak, which was based on the theme of earth as well as water conservation.

YOUTH FESTIVAL

Inter Class Youth Festival 2017

Inter class Youth Festival was organized in Nirmala college on 21st Nov 2017. Students actively showcased their talents in 16 events -Classical Dance, Light Vocal Music, Skit, Debate, Elocution, Rangoli, Spot photography, Clay Modelling, Mime, Mimicry, Poster Making, Collage, On the Spot Painting, Installation,

Tribal Dance and Folk Orchestra. The winners of these events, Classical dance- D. Usha (1st), Ronita Chakraborty (2nd), Annapurna (3rd), Light Vocal Music- Veronica Lakra, Shalini Bhengra, Ankita, On the Spot Painting- Anshu, Deepti, Jyotsna, Spot Photography- Ritu Karmakar, Khushi Samira Kachhap, Kriti Aloka Tirkey, Rangoli- Sumitra Kisku, Nainee Nayan, Pratima Purty,

Clay Modelling- Sakshi Singh, Priya Bukduwar, Monika Tirkey, Elocution- Jiji George, Arthya Pandey, Kajal Rani, Debate- Pragati Singh, Garima, Archana Kumari, Collage - Deepti Rani Tirkey, Saima Sami, Jyoti Kumari, Poster Making - Sudipta Dey, Jiji George, D. Usha, Installation- Manisha Khanam and group, Nada Mirza and group, Shriti Singh and group, Skit - Ankita Kumari and group, Nisha Rani and group, S. Alisha and group, Mime - Shweta Kumari and group, Rubha and group, Folk / Tribal Dance – Rajni Kerketta and group, Godensiya Topno and group, Rukhsar and group, Folk Orchestra- Usha Kujur and group, Deepika Toppo and group, Nishi Dungdung and group were felicitated with trophies and certificates by the Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti.

Inter College Ranchi University Youth Festival 2017 'Tarang'



15 colleges of Ranchi University participated in the three-day Inter college Youth Festival held from 14th December to 16th December 2017 organized by Nirmala College. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Prof. Ramesh Kumar Pandey, Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University. The Guest of Honour was Prof. Kamini Kumar (Pro Vice Chancellor, Ranchi University). Other esteemed guests included Dr. A. K. Choudhary (Registrar, Ranchi University) and Dr. P.K Verma (DSW, Ranchi University). The Youth Festival witnessed around 453 participants in different events with



Overall Champion: NIRMALA COLLEGE

students competing in musical events, dance events, literary events, theatre events and fine arts. The festival was a platform for the students to participate and showcase their talents in 24 events- classical dance, classical instrumental solo, light vocal Indian, classical vocal solo, folk/ tribal orchestra, folk/tribal dance, western vocal solo, spot photography, skit, one act play, mime, mimicry, elocution, debate, quiz, collage, poster making, clay modelling,

Rangoli, cartooning, on the spot painting, group song (Indian), group song (western) and installation. Students of Nirmala College bagged first prize in 11 events, second prize in 1 event and third prize in 3 events. Nirmala College under the guidance of the team manager - Dr. Renu Sinha, was declared the overall champion, while PG Department of Ranchi University and Ranchi College were first and second runners-up respectively.

CHRISTMAS GATHERING

In the light of new tradition, on 21st December 2017, Her Excellency Mrs. Draupadi Murmu, Governor cum Chancellor of Jharkhand, invited Nirmala College, Ranchi for a cultural evening at Raj Bhavan. The charming Christmas program was presented in the cultural courtyard of Raj Bhavan. The program began with the lighting of the lamp by the auspicious hands of Her Excellency Mrs. Draupadi Murmu, Vice-Chancellor, Ranchi University, Prof. Dr. Ramesh Kumar Pandey, Pro VC, Ranchi University, Prof. Dr. Kamini Kumar, Principal, Nirmala College, Ranchi, Dr. Sr. Jyoti and G.B. Secretary, Sr. Lidwin Mary. The entire Nirmala College



fraternity expressed heartfelt gratitude to Her Excellency Mrs. Draupadi Murmu for awarding this glorious opportunity to the Principal, Nirmala College, Dr. Sr. Jyoti. In her inspiring speech, Her Excellency mentioned the shared cultural glory of Jharkhand while stressing on the holy peace message of Jesus Christ. At the same time, she highly appreciated the various awards of excellence-

the Accreditation by NAAC with Grade 'A' and the status of 'A College with Potential for Excellence'- showered on Nirmala College, a Christian minority institution, situated in Jharkhand's capital, Ranchi, which is relentlessly engaged in providing higher education to girl students of Jharkhand and neighboring provinces (especially the rural, economically weaker, tribal). Along with her words of encouragement and inspiration, she

promised every possible solution to various problems. On this occasion, the colourful cultural program presented by the students of Nirmala College comprised a group prayer song celebrating the traditions of Jharkhand,

a tribal dance showcasing the rich cultural heritage of Jharkhand, a dance drama depicting the nativity scene and Carols based on the theme of Christmas. On this auspicious time, along with the dignitaries mentioned above, the entire teaching and non-teaching staff of Nirmala College, Ranchi University officials, Principals of various colleges of Ranchi and officials and employees



of Raj Bhavan were also present. The Nirmala College family is overwhelmed by the grand welcome extended by Raj Bhavan Jharkhand, and especially by Her Excellency, Chancellor, Mrs. Draupadi Murmu. Thereafter on 22nd December, a spectacular program was presented in Nirmala College premises in the form of Christmas gathering, in which the entire Nirmala College family, including students, contributed and participated.

COLLEGE DAY

The 48th College Day was celebrated on 8th December 2017. Honorable guests of the day were President and Provincial Dr. Sr. Lily, Vice- President of G.B, Sr. Rashmi and Sr. Superior Sr. Lidwin Mary. A prayer dance to revere the Virgin Mary was performed., A Bharatanatyam dance by D. Usha, and a skit on the theme of disability to commemorate Disability Awareness Week were staged to sensitize the students to the differently abled. A group song 'We are the World', Karate moves and techniques for self- defense were performed by the girls. The Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti presented the Annual report of the college. Prizes and certificates were given to the winners of Disaster Management and National

Education Day, College Topper in University Examination, certificates for S. T. P Online Courses, Karate Grading belts and winners of various events of the Youth festival.



CAREER COUNSELLING & PLACEMENT

Career Counselling Programmes

The career counselling and placement cell of Nirmala College organized a career counselling programme in the college in association with the Uddayan Aviation Academy on 16th September 2017 where 176 final year students of B.A./ B.Sc./ B.Com. participated and were made aware of career opportunities available in all departments of Airlines, like Commercial Pilot License, Cabin Crew and Ground Handling. The Resource Persons - Ms. Bandhuli Paul (Branch Head, Ranchi) and Mr. Amit Kr. Sinha addressed the students on personality development and enhancing communication skills as essential criteria for jobs in the Aviation sector. Yet another aviation counselling programme was organized in

the college on 6th January 2018 in collaboration with Jain Aviation in which 200 students from B.Sc. III and B.Com. III were given information regarding Group Discussion, effective CV preparation and the importance of communication skills in aviation sector by the Resource Person, Nipun Jain. Around 180 final year students from BCA, B.Sc. (IT, Zoology, Botany, Mathematics) & B.Com. were informed about the career prospects in Airlines industry in a similar programme conducted in the college on 3rd February 2018. The resource persons were Mr. Arka Pal (Ranchi Branch Head, Uddayan Aviation Academy), Mr. Sumit Peter (Patna Branch Head) & Ms. Padmavati.

Another career counselling programme was conducted in collaboration with NIIT, Ranchi on 23rd November 2017 where the Director, Lalpur Centre- Mr. Chandrakant Prasad explained the various career opportunities available in the IT sector. A Graduate Employability Test was also conducted. 203 final year students of B.Sc. (IT) and BCA participated in the programme.

315 students of B.Sc. (IT), B.Sc. and BCA- III attended a career counselling programme organized in collaboration



with TCS Ignite where Resource Persons- Mr. Ramesh Mahto and Mr. Deepak Kumar provided guidance on the certification programme “Software Engineering Industrial Practice Micro-degree” – an employment focused learning mission sponsored by TCS, that would endorse the employment-ready IT skills and enable the students to secure jobs in the IT sector.

Mega Campus Placement Drive

A mega campus placement drive was organized on 9th January 2018 in Nirmala College, Ranchi in collaboration with TISS (EXCEL Programme). 13 companies namely, NSL Group of Companies, Vatan Desire Infotech Pvt.

Ltd., Nisha Surgical, Kiran Softech Pvt. Ltd., Medi Assist, Xpertvision, IOATAS Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Shekhar Enterprises, Medha Mid Brain Academy, AAVAS, Francis Xavier Academy, Hotel Park

Prime and Apex Professional University participated in this event for a massive walk-in placement drive. This benefited around 500 final year students of UG Arts/ Science/Commerce/Vocational Courses), PG Sem III and passed out students of the college. The various positions offered by the companies included HR Executive, Office assistant, Web designer, back office, customer care executive, android developer, hospital coordinator, Accountant, telecaller, computer operator, steno- Hindi/ English typing, business development executive, academic counselor, MIS Executive, Center Head, school



teacher, school coordinator, front office executive, guest service, maintenance, etc.

Dignitaries gracing the dais in the inaugural programme included Chief Guest for the occasion, Shri Dindayal Barnwal (Vice President, Federation of Jharkhand Chamber of Commerce & Industries, FJCCI) and Guest of Honour, Shri Vikash Ranjan Sahay (CFO, NSL Group of Companies), Dr. Sr. Jyoti (Principal, Nirmala College), Dr. Raman Ballabh (State Co-Ordinator, TISS- EXCEL), Shri A.D. Wadhwa (Ex-President, ICWA Chapter), Mr. Arun Kr Sinha (CS Chapter, Jharkhand), Dr. Sushil Kumar (ISM, Pundag) and Shri Manoj Tiwari (MD, Samadhan India). Mr. Avinash Anand (State Programme

Manager, TISS-EXCEL), Mr. Pradeep Gupta (State Programme Manager, TISS-EXCEL), faculty members of TISS-EXCEL -Ms. Durang Susan and Ms. Aswathi Nair, Sr. Shobha (Vice

Principal, Nirmala College), Members of the placement cell of Nirmala College - Dr. Afrine Khan (Co-Ordinator), Dr. Anjali Smita, Mrs. Sreerupa Roy (Co-Ordinator, TISS-EXCEL, Nirmala College), Mrs. Sonali Sinha and Mrs. Sunita Chitlangia were present on the occasion. 82 students of the college were offered placement letters by NSL group of companies (22), AAVAS (08), Vatan Desire InfoTech Pvt. Ltd (20), Francis Xavier Academy (04), Kiran Softech Pvt Ltd (13) and Xpertvision (15) in a ceremonial gathering held on 10th January 2018.

Placement in IT Sector

Samadhan India (Microsoft ERP Partner) selected 59 students from the Career conclave held in Nirmala College on 9th Jan 2018, for an aptitude test which was conducted on 20th Jan 2018 by their Account Executives – Ms. Rashmi Sharma & Ms. Sukhbindar Kaur. 14 students were shortlisted for an interview held on 27th Jan 2018 at their registered office. 06 students were finally selected and offered pre-placement at Samadhan India – Reemy Verma (BCA), Samrin Parween (B.Com.), Shreya Halder (BCA

III), Swati Prakash (B.Com.III), Shreya Sonal (B.A. III, Economics Hons) and Riya Chatterjee (B.Sc. III, Maths Hons.). The offer letters were distributed to the students by Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti in a formal Ceremony held on 02nd Feb 2018.

21 students of Nirmala College were selected for placement in Concentrix Daksh on 18th September 2017. Out of these, 14 students were from BCA (Sci) – Neha Naaz, Anisha Kundu, Richa Priya, Pooja Jha, Priya Kumari, Shalini, Vidya Kumari, Neha Singh, Anamika Kumari, Ankita Rani, Muskaan Singh, Mansi Kumari, Sumita Kumari & Supriya Singh; 04 students from BCA (Arts) – Dimpal Kumari, Shreya Halder, Neha Kumari

and Priyanka Das; and 03 students were from B.Sc. (IT) – Lovely Singh, Neha Kumari and Annapurna Kumari.

Indigo Airlines Placement Drive

A placement drive in association with Jain Aviation International was organized on 3rd February 2018 for placement with Indigo Airlines. Almost 120 students participated in the event for ground handling and security, out of which 06 students qualified all rounds and got selected – Monica Divya Tirkey (B.Sc. III, Botany Hons), Sushmita Kumari (BCA -III), Divya Kumari (B.Sc. III, Maths Hons), Nitu Kumari Singh (B.Sc. III, Zoology), Ronita Chakraborty (B.A. III, Economics Hons) and Kajol Kumari Pandey (BCA Alumna 2017 batch).

FAREWELL FUNCTION

Outgoing students of BA III, B. Com and B. Sc III, Session (2015-2018) were bid farewell on 12th March 2018. The program began with the Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti, handing over the light to the student representatives from each department. Dr. Sr. Jyoti, in her address, asked for blessings from the Almighty on the graduating students. She reminded them of their journey of the past three years. She also spoke on the significance of the motto of the college 'One heart, one mind' and implored them to let their light shine. This was followed by the address of different HODs who appreciated their achievements of the past, wished them luck for the future and encouraged the students to never give up and to pursue their dreams and aspirations. Student representatives also shared their memories and personal experiences and expressed their gratitude in the form of gifts to the institution. Colorful cultural program was



hosted- a prayer dance, a beautiful Santhali dance, dance of BA II students to the peppy beats of the bhangra, a fusion dance on a medley of songs and a farewell song, 'Give me some sunshine' and 'Choro kal ki baatein'.

Farewell of Dr. Nandini Choudhury

Nirmala College bid farewell to Dr. Nandini Choudhury (Head, Dept. of Sanskrit) with great enthusiasm, for her superannuation on 6th February 2018. Her service to the esteemed college started from 4th July 1983, ventured through 34 years, till her retirement on 30th November 2017. Her remarkable contribution was being in-charge of the College Cultural Committee, a position which she served ardently through her talent. Her three published books are a testament to a career of great academic excellence.



OTHER ACTIVITIES

Orientation Programmes for UG & PG Courses were held on 17th July (Sem I - B.Sc., B.Com. & Vocational Hons.) & 1st August 2017 (B.A.-I and M.A.-I). CBCS Curriculum has been implemented for B.A./ B.Sc. /B.Com. courses.

Under the **Spoken Tutorial Programme**: An initiative by IIT Bombay (under NMEICT, MHRD, Govt. of India), the college is running Certificate courses in LibreOffice Suite, Java & C++.

TISS- EXCEL Programme: 145 students enrolled for the Certificate Course in Soft Skill Management [Duration – 405 hours/ 10 months] under *Employability Excellence with College Education and Learning (EXCEL) Programme* (a flagship programme of Jharkhand Skill Development Mission Society) in collaboration with Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS). Orientation Programme for enrolment to the course was held on 18th Aug 2017 and classes started on 8th Jan 2018.



International Yoga Day was observed on 21st June 2017. On 4th August, College campus became a centre for a singing audition by "Radio city 91.9 FM" and programmes organized by "2 Jharkhand Air Squadron NCC Ranchi" for admission of girl cadets into the N.C.C. wing for a 3-years training in aeromodelling, firing, navigation, tent pitching, health and hygiene, etc. 71st Independence Day was celebrated with much fanfare on 15th

August 2017. The Tricolour was hoisted by the Principal, Dr. Sr. Jyoti. In her address, she reminded and paid homage to the brave souls and quoted the inspiring words of Mahatma Gandhi "Be the change you wish to see". Various programmes were presented by the students including patriotic songs, a beautiful Odissi dance by Sajel, an on-the-spot painting of Mahatma Gandhi by Jyotsna and a skit - 'The Battalion' performed by Astha and group. A programme on Vigilance Awareness Week was organized in College by MECON Limited on 11th September 2017 and Teachers' Day was celebrated on 12th September by the students. The college celebrated the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad as National Education Day on the 11th November 2017. Several activities like poster making, slogan writing, essay writing and elocution competitions were organized in all departments of the college.



Keeping the spirit of the Constitution alive and paying homage to the memory of Dr. B. R Ambedkar, National Constitution Day was celebrated on 28th Nov 2017. 69th Republic Day was celebrated with a march-past by the students and flag hoisting by the Guest of Honour, Dr. Raman Ballabh (State Co-ordinator, EXCEL) followed by a classical dance as a tribute to the cultural diversity and a medley of patriotic songs presented by the students. World



Health Camp

Environment Day was celebrated on 5th June 2018. Besides these, various academic activities, special lectures, sensitization & awareness programmes, health camps, exhibitions, seminars, workshops, summer camps, cultural programmes and co-curricular activities – debate, elocution, quiz, poster/collage making, creative writing competitions etc. have been organized by the different departments of the college round the year.

हिन्दी दिवस

निर्मला कॉलेज में दो दिवसीय हिन्दी पखवाड़ा का आयोजन दिनांक 15 - 16 सितंबर 2017 को किया गया। कार्यक्रम में बतौर मुख्य अतिथि रहे - हिन्दी साहित्य के नामचीन साहित्यकार तथा खेल - संस्कृति, कला निदेशक झारखंड सरकार "रणेन्द्र जी"। कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ शुभता का परिचायक दीप प्रज्वलन के साथ हुआ। हिन्दी विभागाध्यक्ष डॉ रेणु सिन्हा ने अपने स्वागत संभाषण में देशवासियों को हिन्दी के प्रति सम्मान की भावना जागृत करने पर बल दिया। प्राचार्या डॉ सिस्टर ज्योति ने अपने संबोधन में तकनीकी विकास के बढ़ते कदम के साथ-साथ भाषा की अनवरत बढ़ती विकृति पर श्रोताओं का ध्यान आकृष्ट किया। मुख्य अतिथि 'रणेन्द्र' ने अपने संभाषण में कहा कि हिन्दी पखवाड़ा सरकारी विभागों एवं उपक्रमों में "हिन्दी की दुर्दशा पर आँसू बहाने का पखवाड़ा बनकर रह गया है।" साथ ही हिन्दी भाषियों के द्वारा ही हिन्दी की उपेक्षा पर दुःख प्रकट किया। छात्राओं ने स्वरचित कविता पाठ एवं नुक्कड़ नाटक की मोहक प्रस्तुति से भावनाओं को अभिव्यक्ति दिया।

इस अवसर पर हिन्दी विभाग एवं विभिन्न विभागों की प्राध्यापिकाएँ एवं बड़ी संख्या में छात्राएँ उपस्थित रहीं।



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Surayia Tabish
Economics



Sushila Kumari
Geography



Salge Mardi
Hindi



Preeti Ranjan
History



Nidhi Varsha Kerketta
Psychology



Sunaina Perween
Political Science



Asifa Nahid
B.Com.



Suraiya Khan
IT



Payal Bhatia
BCA



Amulya Kumari
Botany



Suman Kumari
Mathematics



Nidhi Kispotta
Zoology



Prity Kumari
Fashion Designing