

YOUTHQUAKE

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A NEWSLETTER OF SCD GOVT COLLEGE, LUDHIANA

*Life is about accepting challenges along the way,
choosing to keep moving forward and savouring the journey.*

(Roy T. Bennett, *The Light in the Heart*)

Dear students

Life has changed dramatically in the wake of the outbreak of this unprecedented and calamitous pandemic COVID-19. The first of its kind in nature and scale, it has brought our lives to a standstill. As a formidable opponent having detrimental far reaching effects, it has forced us to decipher the hidden message that nature has tried to give us. This isolation, self imposed or medically mandated, can be taken as an opportunity to ponder on our journey so far and the future responsibilities. Academically speaking, more than 1.5 billion students and youth across the world have been affected by closure of educational institutions. It is the need of the hour to reappraise the whole situation. These testing times demand our resilience and alacrity. It is not the time to succumb to the "lowest common denominator," but to come together. Let's prove to this disease that it is nowhere near as strong as we all are. We can battle it with a mature response and well coordinated actions at every level. There is definitely a green light at the far end of the tunnel. That green light is going to be built upon the values that we can enact right now: fairness, kindness, accountability, resilience, respect and courage. We surely then will prevail through these testing times.



Dr. Dharam Singh Sandhu
Principal

Annual Convocation: Ceremonial Acknowledgment of Accomplishments

The accomplishments of our students were recognized by presenting awards and degrees to them ceremoniously on the annual convocation of the college held on 22nd Nov 2019. As many as 741 students were conferred upon degrees by the Chief Guest Sh. Bharat Bhushan Ashu, Cabinet Minister, Punjab. Much coveted academic roll of honour was designated to twelve students, college colour was given to six and special awards to fourteen students on this occasion. The function was presided over by Padam Shree Dr. Baldev Singh Dhillon, Vice Chancellor, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, who delivered the convocation address. On this occasion the college magazine **Satluj** was also released. Lifetime Achievement Award was bestowed upon Shri Brahm Swarup Ojha (Retd. IAS of 1957 batch) and Dr. Satish Sharma (Member Senate and Syndicate, Panjab University, Chandigarh).

Lohri Celebrations: Boisterous Beginning of Centenary Celebrations

The Lohri bonfire at SCD Government College blazed all the more brightly despite the heavily overcast skies and the downpour on 13th January, 2020. With this function, the centenary celebrations of the college began in the new year. Principal Dr. Dharam Singh Sandhu inaugurated the function among spirited beats of drum and enthusiastic students. The vibrant show encompassing bhangra, giddha, songs and skits, was organized by the Students Council.

Book Bank: Inculcating Compassion for the Less Privileged

A Book Bank was organized on 24th Sept, 2019 for the benefit of needy students. The purpose was to inculcate the value of compassion in our students. It was inaugurated by Principal Dr. Dharam Singh Sandhu who lauded this noble initiative for fellow students. Many students and teachers came forward and donated books.



Buddy Day: An Awareness Drive Against Drugs

Buddy Day was celebrated in the college on 14th Nov to mark Children's Day and to discourage the youth from taking to drugs. This program is a unique initiative by the Punjab Government to tackle the drug menace and to motivate students to engage themselves positively.

Jashan -E-Sahir: Commemorating a Legend and Alumnus

On the occasion of his 100th birth anniversary, the college dedicated four days to commemorate its illustrious alumnus and legend Sahir Ludhianvi. A discussion cum documentary on the life and times of the legendary poet was screened. Mr. Rajesh Badal, former executive director Rajya Sabha TV, New Delhi, Shri Kewal Dhir and Shri Lalit Beri graced the occasion. The documentary brought alive the magical aura of Sahir. The fourth day of this event combined a musical tribute to the immortal songs and nazms of Sahir and **Women's Day Celebrations**.

Finishing School Marketing Fest : Pursuit to Develop Entrepreneurship

The much awaited Marketing Fest was organised on 2nd March, 2020. Nearly 65 stalls were put up to showcase the marketing and entrepreneurial skills of the students, the profits of which were collected by the students themselves. A special feature of the fest was the stalls put up by NGOs like *Ashirwad* and *Divine School*. This fun and food extravaganza saw a massive footfall of 3500 people.

Career Counselling Committee :

The Career Counselling Committee of the college organized a job fair in the campus on 16th Sept, 2019. Mr. Atul Kumar, the training manager of the local recruiting firm named Top Careers spoke to the students about the benefits of working along with studying. Another placement drive was organised in the campus on 19th Sept, 2019. Mr Rohit Raj, informed the students about careers in the banking sector. More than 200 students participated in the placement drive. A three-day workshop was also organised for the students of the college. On the third day a mini fair was organised in which students were given two hours to display their skills in entrepreneurship.

Red Ribbon Club:

Red Ribbon Club organised an Extension Lecture on Health and Personal Hygiene on 26th Sept, 2019 in connection with Poshan Maah celebrations of Punjab Govt. The resource person Dr. Ritu Sudhkar (Chief Dietician DMC) highlighted the importance of diet and how to combat stress in daily life. An *AIDS Awareness Rally* was also carried out by the volunteers of the club on 9th Nov, 2019 to mark World Aids Day. Additionally, a seminar was conducted by the club on *Stress Management and Drug Abuse* on 11th February, 2020. The chief guest Dr Sachin Gupta (ADCP Crime) actively interacted with the students.



Dept. of English:

A literary quiz, conducted by Prof Pooja Kapoor, was organized by the Dept of English on Nov 4, 2019. It was a grilling session with wonderfully constructed questions pertaining to literature, grammar, vocal and visual arts. On 13th Sept, 2019, a cultural show in *Fresher's Fiesta* was organized wherein the students performed an adaptation of Shakespeare's play *Taming of the Shrew*, giving it a feministic twist. On 15th Feb, 2020. Prof Sangeeta Handa, former Principal Govt Mahindra College, Patiala, was invited to deliver an extension lecture on *Postcolonialism, Postcolonial Theory and Colonial Discourse*. A handwriting competition was also held on 17th Feb, 2020.



Dept. of Economics:

The students of the Economics Council celebrated Teachers' Day in the department on 5th Sept, 2019. Freshers Party with the theme *Hall Of Fame* was organized on 21st Sept, 2019. On 1st Feb, 2020, the department arranged a *Live Session of Budget* for its students. Intra-College Economics' Fest *Econovision 2020* was organised on 13th Feb, 2020. More than 50 students from the department and around 50 students from other streams participated in the event.

Dept. of Commerce & Business Innovations:

An extension lecture on *Goods and Service Tax* was delivered by C A Vishal Garg on 13th Sept, 2019. One day workshop was conducted by Dr Bhupinder Khurana for M.Com Sem III students on *Financial Markets And Instruments* on 30th Sept. Another one day workshop on Career Counselling Programme was conducted by C A Manpreet Kaur on 25th Oct, 2019. A *27 days' Training Programme* for M.COM (BI) Ist Sem students was organised by Dr. Ashwani Bhalla under Govt. Scheme i.e PMKVY (Pradhanmantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna) at CICU (Chamber of Commercial Undertakings) Gill Road. A seminar on Research was delivered by Dr. Harbilas Heera for all faculty members of the college. A one day seminar was attended by around 30 students of B.Com 6th Sem on 9th Jan, 2020 at GNIMT.

Dept. of Physics:

PG Dept of Physics celebrated the *99th birth anniversary* of its illustrious alumnus and renowned scientist **Dr Satish Chander Dhawan**, former chairman of Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) Bengaluru, on 25th Sept, 2019. An *Intercollege Physics Quiz* was also organized on this occasion in which six teams from various colleges of the region participated. First position was bagged by SCD Government College Ludhiana; second and third positions were won by Government College for Girls, and Khalsa College for Women respectively.



Dept. of Punjabi:

An extension lecture was organized by the postgraduate department of Punjabi on 7th Feb, 2020. Noted poet Padam Shri S. Surjit Pattar was the special invitee. He held the audience spellbound and enthralled them with his ready poetic references.

Dept. of Geography:

The PG department of Geography organised a *State Level Quiz Competition* in collaboration with the Association of Punjab Geographers on 13th March, 2020.

Dept. of Chemistry:

On 29th, January 2020, Dr. Urvashi Bhardwaj from Punjab Agriculture University delivered a Lecture on *Need of Spectroscopy in Organic Chemistry*. The department also organized an *Inspirational cum Career*

Guidance lecture of Sh. Vishavjeet Singh, who is presently working as Deputy Commandant in Indian Coast Guard. He is a noted recipient of the Dronacharya Award for imparting exceptional training to trainee pilots. On 25th Feb, 2020, students attended a series of Workshops in PAU Ludhiana to understand the characteristics of organic molecule using various spectroscopic methods.



Dept. of Botany:

The Department of Botany and IMB organised a Workshop on *Agrose Gel Electrophoresis* on 24th Feb, 2020. Dr Arvind Kumar (Assist Prof Biochemistry, LPU Jalandhar) was the resource person. On the same day a seminar was also conducted on *Waste to Wealth: Potential of Agricultural Waste* by Dr. Richa Arora, Department of Microbiology, LPU Jalandhar.

Dept. of Zoology:

The Dept of Zoology organized a *Training and Capacity Building Programme* for students on 13th March, 2020. Three renowned scientists from PAU delivered extension lectures. Dr. Neena Singla (Head of Zoology Dept) spoke on *Vertebrate Pest Management*. Dr. Tejdeep Kaur Kler delivered a talk on *Management of Different Birds*. She gave emphasis on how bird ratio is declining day by day. Following her, Dr. Rajwinder Singh disseminated information about *Bat Management*. Dr Bhupinder Kaur also provided a small session to students about *Awareness of COVID-19*.

Dept. of Mathematics:

Teachers' Day was celebrated on 5th September, 2019 and on this occasion, tree plantation was also carried out in the lawn of Mathematics Dept. Second Inter-College Mathematics Quiz Competition entitled *Quiztal Maze* was conducted on 1st Feb, 2020. Around ten colleges from Punjab and Chandigarh participated in it. Team SCD was adjudged the winner. An extension lecture on the topic of *Mathematics Mysticism* was organised on 8th Feb, 2020. Dr. Khushvinder Kumar, an illustrious alumnus of this college, currently serving as Principal, Multani Mal Modi College Patiala, was the resource person. On 17th Feb, 2020, a talk *Ru-b-Ru* was arranged with S. Rupinder Singh, another illustrious alumnus of the college, now Inspector General of Police.

Dept. of Music:

The department of Music organised a workshop on *Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Bani* on 24th Jan, 2020. The thrust of the workshop was on the finer aspects of the Bani of Guru Nanak Dev ji. The mystical meaning of Guru Nanak Dev ji's Bani was explained by the resource persons - S. Tarnjit Singh, Head of Labs, Dept of Performing Arts, LPU and Dr Kulwinder Singh (Classical Music) also from LPU.

Dept. of Social Sciences:

The department of Social Sciences organized an extension lecture on *73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment* on 24th October, 2019. The lecture was delivered by Prof. Gurjant Singh (Dept. of Public Administration) Govt College, Dera Bassi. Another extension lecture was organized by The department on 6th Nov, 2019 on the topic *Guru Nanak Dev Ji : Life, Philosophy and Legacy*.

Sports Day: A Platform to Unleash the Energy of Students

The 100th Annual Athletic Meet of the college was declared open amid fanfare on 26th Feb 2020. S Simratpal Singh Dhindsa, DCP Ludhiana, unfurled the sports flag and took the salute of the marching contingents. On the second day of the event, S. Kuljit Singh Nagra, Advisor to the CM, Punjab, and an alumnus of the college, graced the occasion. Smt Mamta Ashu, Sh. Raman Subramaniam, Chairman of Improvement Trust, S. Jagdev Singh Olympian and many eminent former sports persons, retired teachers of the college, coaches and other illustrious personalities graced the event and motivated the students with their presence.

NCC (A) Army Wing

Total 106 Cadets were enrolled during training year 2019-2020. Two cadets participated in Republic Day Parade (RDC-2020) at New Delhi. Twenty five cadets appeared for 'B' certificate while 'C' certificate was competed by thirty one cadets in an exam held in February, 2020. Two Cadets attended SSB Camp in Sep-2019. Fifty eight Cadets attended mandatory camps. Water Conservation Awareness Rally, Swachhata Pakhwada and Cycle Rally were organised in collaboration with 3 PB NCC Battalion, Ludhiana. Fourteen Cadets volunteered in COVID-19 relief work. Five Cadets got recruited in Armed Forces. The cadets



who got medals in the various camps are -SUO Ashish Kumar and UO Charandas Singh. They participated in RDC-2020. SUO Ashish Kumar got Gold Medal for being Camp Senior at CATC-89 held at Malout in Oct, 2019. In Oct, 2019 at IGC, he was awarded the title of Guard Commander. During RDC-2020, he was Ludhiana Group Senior and part of PM Rally. SUO Ashish Kumar got Special Punjab State NCC Certificate from Hon'ble Governor of Punjab in Feb, 2020. UO Charandas Singh was the Vice Guard Commander & Squad Drill Commander of Ludhiana Group and part of PM Rally. Cadet Rishab Soni got 4 medals in Volleyball, Skit, Table Drill and Best Drill Competition in CATC-91 held at Malout from 29th Oct, 2019 to 07th Nov, 2019. Cadet Gurpreet Singh got TSC Obstacle Trophy and Guard of Honour. Cadet Jaspreet Singh got medals in Table and Bhangra. Cadet Tarun Sharma got medals in Bhangra, Anchoring and Volleyball. He was also honoured as Guard Commander and Guard of Honour. Cadet Harpreet Singh got medals in Bhangra and was bestowed upon Guard of Honour. Cadets Prabhsimran and Sukhjeevan got medals in Bhangra..

(B) Air Wing

Cadet Udit Saggarr bagged two gold medals and 1 silver medal in Pre Vayu Sainik Camp-1. Cadet Hardhit Kumar bagged one silver medal in Pre Vayu Sainik Camp-1. CSUO Harjot Singh, Cdt Udit Saggarr, Cdt Hema Kumari, Cdt Gagan Jolly and Cdt Harshit Kumar attended All India Vayu Sainik Camp and won Best Aero-modelling (Directorate) Trophy. CSUO Harjot Singh was awarded appreciation trophy for best performance in parade by the Cabinet Minister Shrimati Aruna Chaudhary in District level Republic Day function.



NSS

NSS volunteers of the college led a tree plantation drive on 2nd September, 2019. A seminar on Cyber Crime was conducted by the NSS Unit on 12th September, 2019. Two days' celebration of Gandhi Jayanti was organized from 1st Oct to 2nd Oct, 2019. The volunteers participated in various activities such as Poster Making, Elocution, Bhajan, Cleanliness Drive, Plastic Free Campaign and Fit India Run. A seminar on Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Teachings was held on 23rd October, 2019 in commemoration of 550th Birth Anniversary of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. A Vigilance Awareness Week was observed by the NSS unit from 28th October, 2019 to 2nd November, 2019. National Unity Day was celebrated on 31st



October, 2019. A Poster Making Competition was held on 12th November, 2019 by the NSS Volunteers of college. The theme was “Water Conservation and Plastic Free India”. National Law Day was commemorated on 26th November, 2019 by holding an oath taking ceremony. Hawaas, a village, was adopted by the NSS Unit of our college. Jal Shakti Abhiyan and Prevention of Stubble Burning Campaigns were held in the village under the guidance of Prof. Paramjit Singh. A seven days NSS camp was conducted from 31st Dec, 2019 to 5th Jan, 2020 with the aim of inculcating the values of character building, personality development and social welfare in the volunteers. Self-defense and yoga classes were organized daily. A cleanliness drive allowed the students to appreciate the clean environment. A cultural program was organized on the last day for the students to display their talents. On 25th Jan, 2020 NSS volunteers visited the children of leprosy patients at Red Cross Bal Bhawan. They distributed school shoes, stationary and various eatables among the children. A Blood Donation Camp in collaboration with doctors from DMC Hospital, Ludhiana was conducted on 18th Feb, 2020. 100 donors donated blood to mark the centenary celebrations of the college. NSS Unit of the college organized National Youth Day on 20th Feb, 2020 in the Sahir Auditorium.

Youth Festival: Distinction in Cultural Arena

SCD Govt College proved its mettle once again by clinching the overall trophy in the Panjab University (PU) Zonal Youth and Heritage Festival (Zone-A). The festival was organized at Mata Ganga Khalsa College, Kottan, in which a total of 15 colleges had participated. As many as 62 competitions were held during the festival in which SCD Govt College was adjudged the best for winning overall trophy by its participation in 59 items and winning prizes in 45 performances. Our participants won first prize in Vaar, Kali, Jhumar, Heritage Quiz, Debate, Elocution, Histrionics, Quiz, Khiddo, Mitti de Khidone, Crochet, On the Spot Painting, and Clay Modelling.

The World of Sports: Distinction in Games

Athletics: (Triple Jump) Uday Bhaskar won gold medal in Federation Cup trials and won silver medal in PU Inter college Athletic meet. **(Relay Race)** **(a) 4x400mts:** Prasanjit Singh, Kunwardeep Singh, Mukesh Kumar, Rahul Gautam won bronze medal in PU Inter College Athletic meet. **(b) 4x400 mts:** Prasanjit Singh, Kunwardeep Singh, Gurkomal Singh, Rahul Gautam won gold medal in PU Inter College Athletic Meet. **(c) 800 mts :** Gurkomal Singh won silver medal in Jr. National Athletic, won gold medal in North Zone Athletic Championship, won gold medal in Sr. Punjab State Open Athletic Championship, won gold medal in Punjab Jr. State Athletic Championship, won gold medal in Men Festival Punjab, Participation in Sr. National and Khelo India Athletic Championship. **Kho-Kho:** College team won gold medal in PU Inter College Tournament. Five players won gold in North Zone Inter University Kho-Kho Championship. **Taekwondo (M+W):** Diksha and Rahul won bronze medals in PU Inter College Championship. **Wushu :** Rahul won bronze medal in PU Inter College Championship. **Basket Ball, Handball, Volley Ball and Chess :** Won bronze medal in the PU Inter College Championships. **Basket Ball:** Kanwar Gurbaj Singh, Naveen, Gurnoor Singh won gold medal in Khelo India Tournament.

Inter College Contests:

Students of BSc 3rd year participated in *Inter-college Quiz* and *Power Point Presentation* held at Govt Science College Jagraon on 18 Oct, 2019 and they stood first in Quiz and 3rd in Power Point Presentation. Six students participated in the Inter-college fest *Econoverse* held on 12th Feb, 2020 at MCM DAV College Chandigarh. Tanvi Kaura and Rishika Sharma got first position in *Clue Metrics* while Jasmin and Taran Singh got third position in the *Quiz* in Economics.

Tours and Trips :

An excursion trip was organized by the Department of Botany for B.Sc Medical students from 11th to 16th October, 2019 to Bikaner, Jaisalmer and Jodhpur for acquainting them with the biodiversity of Rajasthan. Students of B.Sc 2nd and 3rd year from Chemistry Department visited Maple Bear and Anandpur Sahib.



Gems of SCD



Prabhjot Kaur
2nd in University
M.A. Eng Sem-3



Sukriti
3rd in University
M.A. Eng Sem-3



Lavika Sharma
8th in University
M.A. Eng Sem-3



Sanjogpreet Kaur
9th in University
M.A. Eng Sem-3



Manjot Kaur
8th in University
M.A. Eng Sem-1



Kritika
9th in University
M.A. Eng Sem-1



Muskan Garg
2nd in University
M.A. Eco Sem-1



Ruchika
6th in University
M.A. Eco Sem-1



Divya Thakur
8th in University
M.A. Eco Sem-1



Sakshi Sharma
2nd in University
M.A. Eco Sem-3



Gurpreet Kaur
6th in University
M.A. Eco Sem-3



Disha Saggat
8th in University
M.A. Eco Sem-3



Tanvi Kaura
10th in University
M.A. Eco Sem-3



Goldi Bhagat
10th in University
M.A. Eco Sem-3



Ishita Thaman
(Ex-Student) 2016-18
Cleared IES Exam-2019



Kritika
1st in University
M.Sc. Math Sem-4



Manpreet Singh
7th in University
M.Sc Math Sem-3



Rupali Jain
9th in University
M.Sc. Maths Sem-3



Harleen Kaur
9th in University
M.Sc. Sem-3



Mini Khara
10th in University
M.Sc. Maths Sem-3



Arshdeep Singh
M.Com-BI (JRF)



Harmilan Kaur
M.Com (JRF)



Vidhi Jain
M.Com (JRF)



Gursimranjit Singh
M.Com-BI (UGC)



Shaina Bhatia
M.Com (UGC)



Shriya Aggarwal
M.Com (UGC)



Bhawna Sachdeva
M.Com (UGC)



Priyanka Chawla
M.Com (UGC)



Rahul Dhiman
M.Com (UGC)



Muskan
M.Com (UGC)



Kanika Singal
M.Sc. Physics
(UGC)



Varun
M.Sc. Physics
(UGC)



Narpinder Singh
M.Sc. Physics
(UGC)



Tanvi Kaura
M.A. Economics
(UGC)



Gurkomal S. Gill
BA Sem-4
Gold Medal (Athletics)



Rahul Gautam
BA Sem-6
Gold Medal (Athletics)



Tushar Singh
BA Sem-4
Gold Medal (Athletics)



Uday Bhaskar
BA Sem-4
Gold Medal (Athletics)



Mukesh K. Gupta
BA Sem -4
Gold Medal (Athletics)



Kunwardeep Singh
BASem-4
Gold Medal (Athletics)