

KaalNidhi
History Association
Department of History
Shyama Prasad Mukherji College for Women
Activity Report
2021-22

Event:1

Theme/Title:- Topic: *The status of women in USA in special context of Indian diaspora*

Guest Speaker:- Mr Rohit Sharma, Sen Journalist based in Washington D.C. for TV9 Bharatvarsh. Bylines – Dainik Bhaskar, TV9 Hindi, TV9 English & TV9 Digital. Blogger for Times of India.

Date:- 13th August 2021

Time:- 03:30 pm onwards

Venue:- Meet Online Platform

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report: The webinar was organised by History Association KAAL-NIDHI, Dept. Of History, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College For the Women (University of Delhi). The topic of discussion was, The status of women in the USA in the special context of the Indian Diaspora. From time immemorial migration and its implications have always been a curtail element in constructing histories. Therefore, in order to introduce this concept this topic was taken. The deliberation was to make the students understand the history and dynamics of gendered roles of Indian Diaspora in USA with special reference to the condition, orientation and positioning of Indian Women in USA. Their role and contribution in building and sustaining the American society, polity and very importantly economics. Important issues like health and education of Indian women were also discussed with the help of survey reports and relevant data by the speaker. *We had a fruitful discussion and were introduced to a new dimension of the study.*



Event no- 2

Name of the Coordinator/Convenor/Co-convenors:- Dr.ChayanikaUniyal and Dr. Nirmala Shah

Date:- 20th October 2021

Time:- 11:30 am onwards

Venue:- Google Meet(Online platform).

No of Participants:- 48

Theme/Title:- Topic: Growth of India Archives During the colonial period.

Name of the speaker:- Syed Farid Ahmad,

Speaker's Designation:- Deputy Director National Archives of India Ministry of Culture Government of India

Financial Assistance:- N/A.

Collaboration with any Agency:- N/A

Objective:- This event is specially organised for the students of SEC Subject(Archives & Museum). This webinar will help them to know the characteristics of Archives in the colonial period. Also, this is one of the most important topics for students of the History department and will enhance their knowledge.

Methodology:- using Online platform.

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Outcomes:- The webinar introduced the students to a new dimension of history and widened their scope for career opportunities also. Students learnt about the history and relevance of archives in understanding history.

Brief Report: The webinar was organised by History Association KAALNIDHI, Dept. Of History, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College For the Women (University of Delhi).

The guest speaker **Syed Farid Ahmed** introduced the concept of archives to the students. The evolution of archives, debates and discussion on relevance of archives were discussed. The speaker discussed the importance of Archives and how the historical material preserved in archives are used to understand history in a scientific way. Archives are important because they provide evidence of activities and tell us more about individuals and institutions.

It was highlighted that researchers and others who consult archives for information and knowledge increasingly recognize the importance of primary sources preserved there. The records kept there help in understanding the past with authenticity. The speaker said, all archival sources are at once primary and secondary sources, neither raw nor fully cooked, but both archival records and history-in-the making.

Archives are crucial as they increase our sense of identity and understanding of cultures. Further, the various acts related to Archives were discussed. The concept of state archives and national archives were also introduced to the students. He broadly discussed Portuguese, Dutch and French commercial enterprises and archives during the British period. He also discussed the facts about functional units of Archives.

Towards the end, the speaker discussed the various career opportunities available with National Archives of India and other state archives.

Overall the webinar was beneficial and interactive.





**Shyama Prasad Mukherji College for Women
(University of Delhi)**



History Association "KAALNIDHI"
Invites you to a Webinar on

GROWTH OF ARCHIVES DURING THE COLONIAL PERIOD

Speaker:-

Syed Parid Ahmad
Deputy Director
National Archives of India
Ministry of Culture
Government of India





**20th October 2021
Wednesday**



11:30 AM onwards



Google Meet

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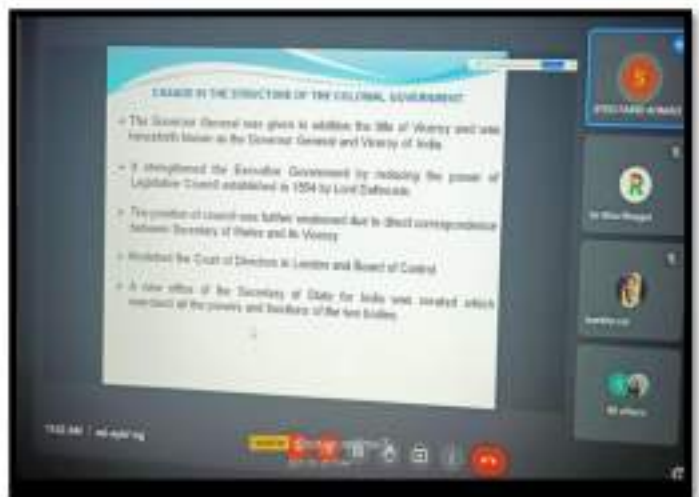
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Event- 3

Theme/Title:- Topic: *Indian Museums in Colonial Milieu*

Guest Speaker:- Dr Anand Burdhan, Secretary Museum Association of India and Senior Faculty at the school of Heritage Research and Management, Ambedkar University, New Delhi.

Date:- 22nd September 2021

Time:- 11:30 am onwards

Venue:- Meet Online Platform

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report: The webinar was organised by KAALNIDHI, History Association, Department of History, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College For Women (University of Delhi). The topic of discussion was Indian Museums in Colonial Milieu. Museums are crucial part of representation of our history and culture. The speaker started with tracing the historical background of the museums. He pointed out that the curio-cabinates in Europe were the proto-museums or the earlier form of museums. However, it was during the 19th century that the museums became popular and endeavours were made towards developing them in Britain and its colonies. These museums collect and preserve objects and materials of cultural, historical and religious value. The museums promote our cultural heritage. Indian museums are colonial construct. Tracing the 1851 exhibition, the speaker highlighted that India was given one of the largest pavilions and attempt was made to show that India had a static culture and economy. However, Indian pavilion attracted huge attraction and appreciation.

The students were familiarised with the Indian museum, Kolkata, concept of college museums, provincial museums, site museums, archaeological museums and so on. The crucial contributions by Cunningham, Curzon, Marshall, Prince of Wales, Jamshedji Tata, etc were discussed. Thereafter some of the problems which these museums faced and are still facing were highlighted. It was stressed that museums that disseminate information through visual and oral means can be turned into very useful instruments for elevating awareness among the masses about the significance of all matters of existence.

Overall, the webinar was beneficial as this theme is part of the syllabus too. It was an interactive and engaging webinar. Students understood the various dimensions and perspectives of museum during the colonial period.



Event- 4

Theme/Title:- Topic: *The Making of the Constitution of India*

Guest Speaker:- Prof. Salil Mishra, Former Pro VC, Ambedkar University, New Delhi.

Date:- 17th November 2021

Time:- 11:30 am onwards

Venue:- Zoom Platform

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report: The webinar was organised by KAALNIDHI, History Association, Department of History, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College For Women (University of Delhi). The topic of discussion was The Making of the Constitution of India. The speaker discussed the various nuances related to the making of Indian constitution which came into effect on 26 January 1950. Tracing the historical background, the characteristics and the objectives behind making of constitution was discussed. The aspect of Constituent Assembly, people involved with it were also highlighted. The students were familiarised with the basic features and relevance of Indian constitution. The contributions of Ambedkar, Nehru, Vallabhbhai Patel, Abul Kalam Azad, Rajendra Prasad and many others were elaborated. Overall, the webinar was beneficial as this theme is part of the syllabus too. It was an interactive and engaging webinar. Students understood the various dimensions and perspectives on Indian Constitution.



Event no 5: Orientation for the First Year Students , 2021

Theme/Title: Syllabus and Curriculum

Guest Speaker: Department Teachers

Date: 22 November 2021

Timings: 11:30 am

Venue: Google Meet

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report: Freshly admitted first year students were briefed about the syllabus, semester wise departmental curriculum and various societies and facilities available in the college. It was an interactive session where the students introduced themselves and met the department teachers.

Event no : 6

Theme/Title: 'Humari Virasat' Our Legacy (Virtual Exhibition Tour)

Name of the Coordinator/Convenor/Co-convenors:- Dr Chayanika Uniyal & Dr Nirmala Shah

Guest Speaker/ Chief Guest: Mr. Manish Tiwari, Prof. Seema Bawa, Sh. Ashok Kumar Pandey, Prof. Mridula Mukherjee, Dr. Chayanika Uniyal, Prof. Anil Dutt Mishra, Shri K.C. Tyagi, Prof. Balaram Panni, Prof. Santosh Rai.

Date: 21-31 January 2022

Venue: online on zoom platform

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report:

This event was organized to celebrate the auspicious *Amrit Mahotsav* to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of India's Independence. This created enthusiasm among students and teaching staff. Exhibition showcased the struggle for India's Independence in the form of video consisting of ppt and voice over prepared by 19 groups of BA Hons. History students. This 10-day program aimed to include a variety of activities like book discussion, documentary screening, desh bhakti geet competition, etc. The format of the program was to showcase virtual exhibition followed by some activity everyday during this period. The event was attended by University/ Colleges faculty members, research scholars and students from all over the country.

Feedback/Outcome : This event provided an excellent platform to the students to show and understand the freedom struggle. The students worked in group and actively participated in the event. The participants from all parts of the country got an opportunity to interact with some



eminent scholars. There were candid discussions and academic dialogue based on agreements and disagreements. Detailed report of day to day event is as follows.



Event: 7

Theme/Title:- Career Counselling

Guest Speaker:- Ms. Srishti Sinha

Date:- 25th February 2022

Time:- 2 PM onwards

Venue:- Hall-2

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report: The seminar was organised by History Association KAALNIDHI, Dept. Of History, Shyama Prasad Mukherji College For the Women (University of Delhi). On the topic of *Career Counselling and interaction on 25th February 2022*. First, Dr Supriya Sinha introduced our Guest speaker, Ms Srishti Sinha, with warm wishes. Then we go through some of the main concepts of the Courses after 12. The speaker introduced the students to various concepts that started with BA. courses. They are a good source of leisure. Then she discussed the cut-off sheds of the external studies concept. She described that after BA we can choose new paths to kick start the job structure. She interacted with students, guided them about importance of Computer works and basic skills you need for the job. In End, Dr Anita Gupta & Dr Supriya Sinha ends this Webinar by delivering a vote of thanks and with some beautiful and Wonderful insights. Overall The webinar was beneficial and students interacted with the speaker during the question-answer session. Even Many teachers interact with the speaker as well with their doubts. Over 70 students joined the seminar and asked their queries.

We had a valuable seminar and were introduced to a new dimension of the study!



Event: - 8

Election of the Office Bearers for the Year 2021-22

Name of the Association In charges: - Dr Chayanika Uniyal & Dr Nirmala Shah

Date: - 9th March 2022

Time: - 1:00 PM Onwards

Venue: - Hall-2.



Objective – To enhance the enthusiasm of students.

Organizing Committee: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Dr. Sonu Kumar Gupta, Mr. Vikas Malik.

Brief Report –

The elections for the new office bearers for the year 2021-22 were elected on the 9th of March, 2022 in the premises of the college. The election was held under the supervision of the **History Association In charges Dr. Chayanika Uniyal and Dr. Nirmala Shah**. The post for the elections were that of the President from 3rd Year, Vice President from 2nd Year and Secretary from the 1st Year. The election was held very democratically where all the participants were given a chance to represent themselves to the students of the department. For the position of President stood Deeksha and Tahura from 3rd Year. For the position of Vice President stood Tushita, Ayesha, Nisha, Anupriya, and Sanjana from 2nd Year. For the position of Secretary stood Harshita, Mobssarah, Hensly and Pushplata from 1st Year. 110 students participated in this Election process. After the candidates got the opportunity to introduce themselves and their ideas and thoughts for the upliftment of the society the students were allowed to vote for their desired candidates by writing their names on sheets of paper provided to them.

The declaration results were most awaited and the elected candidates were,

- Deeksha Pandey (3rd Year, BA. History Hons) as the President
- Tushita Bhandari (2nd Year, BA. History Hons) as the Vice President
- Hensly Samuel (1st Year, BA. History Hons) as the Secretary. Hensly was chosen unanimously by the first year students.

A photo session with the Elected Candidates and the participating candidates were taken.



Event-9

Theme/Title: *Trip to the Red fort*

Teacher: Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Kavita Gaur & Dr. Kirti Anamika

Date: 6th April 2022

Time: 9 am onwards

Brief Report:

A visit to the Red Fort was organised for the SEC B.A. (hons.)II year students on 6th April, 2022; by Dr. Vijay Kumar and Dr. Kavita Gaur. Field trip was an important part of SEC paper titled Indian Art and Architecture. Dr. Kirti Anamika accompanied and supervised the students throughout the trip. This trip was guided by Mr. Saahil, Assistant Archeologist, ASI and Mr. Firoz (Senior Assistant, ASI) who described the specific characteristics, building material and techniques, historical significance and context of different structures inside the Red Fort. Students were provided a chance to explore the Hammam structure from inside and informed about the various rooms catering to changing weather conditions. Three Museums inside the fort were keenly viewed by students and special attention was given to *Drishyakala* Museum where several Indian art works from 16th century till India's Independence are exhibited here. Students viewed the works of modern artists like Raja Ravi Verma, Amrita Shergill and understood the concept and representation of modern Indian paintings. Students were also gifted with the book titled "दिल्ली और उसका अंचल" by Assistant Archaeologist to read and know about the historical significance of various monuments located around Delhi. Students were also given assignments to write their observations on their visit to this heritage site.



Event no. -10

Name of the coordinator/Convenor/Co-convenors- Mrs. Anita Kumari

Date- 30th of March 2022

Time- 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Venue- National Archives of India (Delhi)

No. of students - 42

Theme- Visit of national archive for study purposes

Inauguration by. - MS. Anumita Banerjee. And MS. Sadaf Akhtar.

Objective- This visit was organised to analyse the archive in ground level.

Methodology- Mrs. Anita Kumari organised this along with students and went there have meeting with members and visit to know about ground level work.

Outcomes- huge knowledge with some practical experience.

Brief report- This trip was organised for the students of archives and museum of Shyama Prasad Mukherji College for women to know about it in ground level and to have some practical experience. The visit was inaugurated on 30th march, 2022 by our respected principal Dr. Sadhna Sharma.

In this visit students were firstly went to meeting room where the member of NAI Ms. Anumita Banerjee. And Ms. Sadaf Akhtar gave brief information about the work of archive , history of NAI and the process of documentation . Then we were went to the documentation area where we had a look on different documents of Shaheed Bhagat Singh diary. Ramanujan's hand written theory and so on . After that we went to the Mrs Rana's room where she gave a brief knowledge about cataloguing and at last we went to the preservation department where there were performing preservation process , show the whole process and gave brief information knowledge .

At last students have also cleared there all doubts and enjoyed the field work and ground level knowledge of NAI

[feedback form of trip](#)







Event:11

Name of the Coordinator/Convenor/Co-convenors:- Dr Chayanika Uniyal & DrNirmala Shah

Date:- 26th – 29th April

Time:- 11 AM Onwards

Venue:- Shyama Prasad Mukherji College

Theme/Title:- Topic: 'Humari Virasat' Our Legacy

Organising Team: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Mr. Vikas Malik, Dr. Sonu Kumar

Objective:- This event was organized to celebrate azadi ka amritotsav. It aimed at familiarizing the students and others about the national movement of India. This created enthusiasm among students and teaching staff. Exhibitions like this do develop students learning skills.

Outcomes:- We had a valuable event which promoted not only enthusiasm in the students but also encouraged them to keep digging deeper into the learning of History. It was wonderful!

Brief Report: The event was organised by the History Association "KaalNidhi", Shyama Prasad Mukherji College For the Women (University of Delhi).

The inauguration of the event took place on the 26th of April by Chief Guest Dr. Vikas Gupta (Registrar, University of Delhi), Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhed (Vice-Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University), Narendra Kumar Soni (Chairman, Governing Body, SPM College) and Principal Prof. Sadhna Sharma. The exhibition showcasing many unseen aspects of the national movement was appreciated by all. The exhibition was a competitive event and thus students gave their best. The chief guests were amazed with the work of the students and appreciated them for their detailed research. They gave a wonderful feedback. In afternoon Ms. Atishi Singh (member of Delhi Legislative Assembly) visited the exhibition and she discussed various aspects of the event with students. She went through every group's exhibition and then she appreciated it with glorious comments. On 27th April Prof. Ramesh C. Gaur and Mr. Ravindra Tripathi visited the exhibition. They graced the exhibition with beautiful remarks that not only encouraged the students but also the teachers to have held up such a remarkable event. On 29th April Mr. Saurabh Bhardwaj (MLA, AAP Party) and Mr. Sarvesh visited the exhibition and they both encouraged to showcase at various platforms. On the valedictory session, Mr. Mukul Wasnik (former Union Minister, Member CWC) visited the exhibition, discussed all the posters in detail and declared the result of the competitions prepared by the jury. He further encouraged students and faculty with warm and appreciable words. Apart from the Guests - many dignitaries, students and faculty members also visited, appreciated, complemented, and wrote wonderful remarks in the diary.

Overall,

The event was very fruitful and 19 groups had displayed their work of art and research!



"Flower & Vase"



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Inauguration of Exhibition

26th April 2022



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26th April 2022



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26th April 2022

"हमारी विरासत"

Our legacy

Event : 12 Farewell 2022

Time:- 11:30 am onwards

Venue: - Shyama Prasad Mukherji College Auditorium

Organising Team: Ms. Anita Gupta, Ms. Anita Kumari, Dr. Supriya Sinha, Dr. Kavita Gaur, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Dr. Ritu Bhagat, Dr. Amrita Singh, Dr. Kirti Anamika, Mr. Vikas Malik, Dr. Sonu Kumar

Brief Report –

The History department organized the farewell function for the Third year students on the 4th of May 2022 in the college auditorium. The program included a number of cultural programs like group dance, solo dance, solo singing, group singing and competitive activities. The teachers of the department welcomed the students and wished them good luck for bright future. Principalma'am graced students with inspiring and motivating words.

This was a combined program of all the first, second and third year students. Ms. Farewell 22' was selected. Ms. Freshers for 21' and 22' were also selected as it could not take place earlier due to covid 19. Finally, the prize distribution of the winners of the History Exhibition 'Humari Virasat' took place. The third-year students were given and felicitated with mementos. With this the event came to an end followed by lunch.

The event turned out to be a great success which allowed beautiful memories to be treasured.



