

HISTORY DEPARTMENT: Data on maintaining Cleanliness and Gender Awareness issues

The level of cleanliness within a building has a direct impact on how well an individual is able to learn. The students of history honors understand the importance of maintaining clean environment in the College. They have always been a part of cleanliness drive. The class representatives are suppose to report to the office about any unhygienic condition in any part of the College. It is a regular practice in the department.

Dr. Chayanika Uniyal was a programme director of International Seminar on gender sensitization, equality and women empowerment. It was organized by Rajiv Gandhi Study Circle, Delhi Unit on 29 January, 2018. **Dr. Ritu Bhagat** presented a paper on Gandhi and Women's Movement in India in this seminar. **Dr. Nirmala Shah** also presented a paper on the Empowerment of Women and the National Movement in the above seminar.

Dr. Chayanika Uniyal also presented a paper with **Dr. Nirmala Shah** titled "Women Participation in Politics of South Asia: A Case Study of India" in the international Seminar on Governance. Human Rights and Regional Cooperation in South Asia: Opportunities and Challenges of Globalization held on 19-20 April, 2017 at Jamia Millia Islamia University. **Dr. Chayanika Uniyal** also organized the Annual Memorial Lecture of the SPM College on the topic of Gender Sensitization, Equality and Women Empowerment: Continuity and Change delivered by eminent feminist activist **Kamla Bhasin**. She has also written an article in All India Mahila Congress website on the theme "*Naari Saśaktikaran: Vāstvikta ya Mithik*".

Dr. Kavita Gaur published a chapter titled "Dynamics of Women's Work in the Sastric Sources: Household and Beyond" in *Women and Work in Precolonial India- A Reader*, ISBN 978-93-515-0741-3, Sage Publications, Delhi, pp. 37-48, 2016. She has also published an article titled "Governance of Courtesans in the Arthaśāstra" in *Journal of Education in Emerging Indian Society*, ISSN 2394-434X, 2014. She has attended a workshop on "Feminist theories and Debates" organized by Women Studies and Development Centre, University of Delhi, 201.

History Association organized the Annual Lecture Series on the theme "Housewives-Rebels-Mystics: Hagiographies of Women Saints in Medieval India" by **Prof Vijaya Ramaswamy**, eminent historian on Gender and Religion from CHS, JNU on 18 April, 2018. The lecture was focused on the vigour and strength of the Women saints in Medieval India and the issues of gender, spiritualism and household was the matter of discussion between students and the speaker. The lecture was well received by the students and the number of issues came up in an effective engagement of the speaker, faculty and the students.