



# Sophia Girls' College (Autonomous), Ajmer

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## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**SESSION 2016-17**



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**The major activities and achievements of the session 2016-17 are as follows-**

#### **I. TEACHING AND LEARNING:**

The College regularly makes sure that its faculty is up to date with the current trends of education, especially

- Encouraged the staff members to attend PDPs, FDPs and other online courses that will help them to enhance their teaching competencies
- Knowledge Centre was established with the purpose of creating Knowledge Repositories by leading experts.
- To work in this competitive arena civil services coaching was also initiated by College to its students.
- To make teaching and learning more practical Field survey, Industrial visit , Education Excursion was encouraged .
- Emphasized on Blended Learning, new teaching pedagogies and updating teachers and students regarding the same.

#### **II. RESEARCH:**

The College works towards the development of its faculty by encouraging them to indulge in Academic Research Activities. College inspired the staff to enrol and complete their Doctoral Degree. The major accomplishments of the Faculty members in the field of research in the academic year 2016-17 are:

1. 27 Research papers were published in various National and International Journals and 10 chapters were published in books
2. 7 research scholars are pursuing Ph.D. under the guidance of Dr. Monika Kannan.
3. Dr. Bhawana Sharma from Department of Management was also awarded Ph.D.
4. Three Minor Research Projects sponsored by UGC were sanctioned to the faculty members
  - **Ms. Asha Sharma**, Department of Psychology  
Title of the Project: Exploring the Relationship between Altruism and Emotional, Social and Spiritual Intelligence among Youth of Ajmer City.

- **Mrs. Mriganka Upadhyay**, Department of Zoology  
Title of the Project: Assessment of Avian Diversity of certain Satellite Wetlands of Central Aravalli Mountain Ranges of Ajmer, Rajasthan.
- **Dr. Sunita Siyal**, Department of Hindi  
Title of the Project: 'Naari Uthan Mein Jain Sathitya Ki Bhoomika'

### III. CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

1. A Seminar titled, 'Rajasthan Development Dialogue' was conducted by Mr. Guetta (IAS, OSD, State Finance Commission).
2. An enlightening Seminar was conducted on 'Human Rights'.
3. A One-week self - defence Workshop for the Second-Year students was organized.
4. Ms. Leena Upadhyaya (Regional Director- SE Asia and South Asia, Barcelona, Spain) an ex-student conducted a Seminar on 'Personality Development and Opportunities to Study Abroad'.
5. An Interdisciplinary Seminar was conducted by Mrs. Persis Latika Dass (Head, Department of History) on 'Renaissance Literature, Music and Art'.
6. The staff and students of English Literature attended a Seminar on 'How to write a Research Paper.' The Resource person of this Seminar was Ms. Karys Harbor, (Foreign Student, B.A. School of Oriental and African Studies, PGCE, UK)
7. On the very same day, the members of the IQAC attended a Seminar on CBCS at IIS University, Jaipur.
8. A Career Counselling Seminar was organized for B.Sc. (Maths) students.



#### **IV. COMPILATION OF AISHE**

The IQAC members formulated a survey team in the beginning of the session and the final report was documented and prepared for the submission. The compiled report was submitted on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2017.

#### **V. FEEDBACK**

A Structured Feedback was analyzed for the upgradation suggested by the stakeholders i.e. Students, Teachers, Employers and Alumni. The analyzed report was presented and discussed in the meeting of statutory bodies.

#### **VI. FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES ORGANISED FOR THE TEACHING STAFF:**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Title of Programme</b>	<b>Date</b>
1.	Challenges and Practical Aspects of CBCS	12 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> Aug., 2016
2.	Relevance of Value Education in the field of Higher Education	6 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 2016.
3.	Effective Communication Skills for Teachers Module I	1 <sup>st</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017
4.	Faculty Development Programme on Effective Communication Skills for Teachers- Module II	8 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017

#### **VII. STAFF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES ORGANISED FOR THE NON-TEACHING STAFF:**

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Title of the Programme</b>	<b>Date</b>
1.	Spiritual Enrichment Programme	19 <sup>th</sup> Nov., 2016
2.	Basic Communication Skills	21 <sup>st</sup> Jan. to 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017

#### **VIII. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES, ORIENTATION / INDUCTION PROGRAMMES, REFRESHER COURSE, SHORT TERM COURSES**

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Name of the Faculty</b>	<b>Title of Programme</b>	<b>Date</b>
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1.	Dr. Monika Kannan	Refresher Course on Capacity Building with Geo-spatial Technologies - 21-Day DST Sponsored Winter School workshop at MLSU, Udaipur during	28 <sup>th</sup> Nov-18 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2016
		ISRO Sponsored NNRMS Course in Geographical Information System in Technology and Advances - IIRS, Dehradun	1 <sup>st</sup> May- 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 2017
2.	Ms. Divya Mishra	Participated, 'International Development Training Programme' in Singapore at SIM Professional Development	28 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 2016.
3.	Mrs. Madhumita Hussain	UGC Sponsored Orientation Programme - M.D.S University	1 <sup>st</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017
4.	Dr. Sunita Siyal	Orientation course - M.D.S. University, Ajmer – UGC	1 <sup>st</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017
5.	Ms. Kiran Bhagnani	International Development Training Programme in Singapore - SIM, Singapore	28 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 2016
6.	Mrs. Surbhi Mehra	Attended Management Development Program on Teacher Excellence - Ahmedabad Management Association	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2017

## IX. VALUE ADDED COURSES OFFERED

- Aerobics
- French
- Dramatics
- Fine Arts
- Instrumental Music
- Short Films and Documentaries
- Jewellery Designing
- Bonsai
- Vermiculture
- Basic Yoga
- Human Rights
- Self Defence

- Personality Development
- Swimming

## X. RESULT ANALYSIS

The Result of all the U.G. and P.G. programs offered in the colleges is as follows-

### Autonomous Scheme

The pass percentage of all U.G. as well as P.G. programs in both Semester I and II was 100%,

### University Annual Scheme

The pass percentage of all U.G. programs for II and III Year was 94-100%

The pass percentage of all P.G. programs for Final Year ranges between 95- 100%.

## XI. COLLABORATIONS/ MOUs

The Institution believes in educational and value adding collaborations with other esteemed institutions across the country. In the Academic Year 2016-17 various activity have been organized in collaboration with Institutions that have a MoU with the College.

A One Week Educational Trip was organised to Singapore Institute Of Management in the session 2016-17 from 26<sup>th</sup> September Onwards. The aim of this International Staff and Student Exchange Program was to give global exposure to them and also to inculcate knowledge about the syllabi and co-curricular activities as a part of Higher Education



## XII. EXTENSION, OUTREACH PROGRAMS AND INTERNSHIPS

The college focuses on its students gaining experience and applying all that they have learnt through activities like Educational Trips, Field Visits, Surveys etc. such as

1. Visit to Old Age Home

2. Socio – Economic surveys
3. Blood Donation Camp etc.



The Institution encourages its students to actively undertake Internships and Field Projects. This constant motivation has led students to take up various projects and internships. Various Students from the Faculty of Arts, Commerce, Science, Computer Science, and Management have completed offline and online internships from various organisations. Some of them are-

1. Aachal Agarwal , Garima Sharma from R.K. Marbles, Kishangarh
2. Ayushi Dhadhich from Axis Bank, Noida
3. Mishita Singhal from HDFC Udaipur
4. Komal Gotrani from Danik Bhaskar
5. Suchitra Sharma and Twinkle Varyani from HMT
6. Pratibha Yadav from Genpact,Jaipur

### **XIII. INFRASTRUCTURE AND IT FACILITIES**

The College takes various initiatives and measures for making the process of teaching and learning more effective. To present students with better understanding and the teachers with better teaching techniques, the College-

- Upgraded the Central Library with extension of books and Journals.
- Enhanced the utilization of the Smart classrooms for effective teaching.



- Ensured the optimal functioning of well-equipped Knowledge Centre
- Ensured the effective functioning of well established RS-CIT centre
- Upgraded the laboratories in the Institution with new Technology

#### **XIV. PLACEMENTS**

The College provided the opportunity for students to participate in the Placement Drive that was conducted by The Placement Cell. The drive saw participation from various recruiters like

1. Tata Consultancy Services
2. Concentrix

A total of 66 students have been selected in the above-mentioned companies.

#### **XV. ACTIVITIES - COLLEGE CELLS & COMMITTEES**

##### **1. Nature Club:**

Nature Club organized Tree Plantation Drive where Students were encouraged to plant more trees and for proper maintenance and preservation of trees.



##### **2. Health Club**

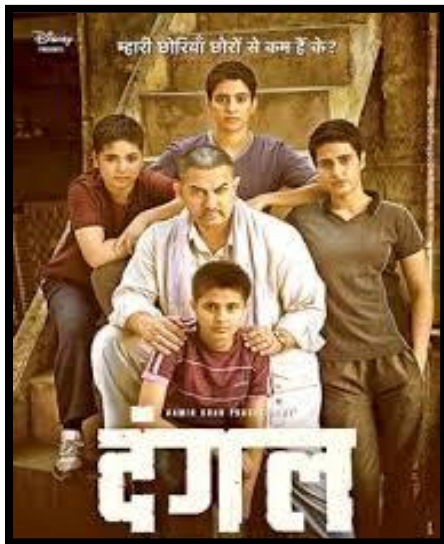
The Health Club strives to conduct activities which influence the habits, attitude and knowledge regarding general health. For the same, the club organized the following activities:

- Basics in Yoga was conducted under the guidance of trained teacher. 125 of students benefitted with the course. Emphasis is given on to improve physical, mental, social and spiritual health of all.
- Aerobics was conducted for the students. The aim of the course is to involve students in physical activities.



### 3. Bioscope– The Movie Club

- Bioscope - The Movie Club organized the screening of the movie “Pink” at Maya Mandir Multiplex. Students were accompanied by the staff members for this movie.
- Bioscope - The Movie Club organized the screening of the movie “Dangal” at Maya Mandir Multiplex. Students were



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this movie.

#### 4. Spectrum: The Dramatic Club

- Spectrum: The Dramatic club organized English Annual Play on “Arms and the Man” in which 11 students participated.
- Mr. Neeraj Kadela, a Theatre Artist conducted the Dramatics Workshop in which the students participated and learnt how to make their own space and how to build confidence for public speaking. They learnt about the various ‘Rasas’ regarding dramatization and how to imbibe them in acting.



### XVI. DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

The College consists of various Clubs and Fora and students from various fields of study can be a part and participate in the various activities organized by them. The different Clubs and Fora and some of their activities are as follows:

#### 1. Prakriti –The Geography Forum

A visit to Ajmer Development Authority which was organized for PG students of



Geography to inculcate knowledge about the Urban Planning, how it works and how it affect their development.

## 2. Lyceum-The Political Science Forum

The Symposium was organized to raise the students' awareness regarding the importance of Higher Education and about how Higher Education can be used as an important tool in combating extremism and in guiding the students the right way



## 3. The Commerce & Management Forum

An Industrial Visit at Shree Cement Pvt. Ltd, Beawar was organised to provide an opportunity to the students to interact with industrialists and provide practical knowledge to them. Students visited different technical departments and plant sites involved in the process of cement manufacturing.



#### **4. Zoology Forum**

A Visit to Bird Fair was organized by Zoology dept for its students.



#### **5. Home Science Association**

With the objective of generating Entrepreneurial Bonanza' a compulsory activity for all the students where they put up stalls showcasing their ingenuity and resourcefulness. The students were taken for a visit to a Play School as part of their Academic Programme.

### **XVII. NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC)**

1. Six students were selected for the CATC camp at Bhilwara in 22<sup>nd</sup> sept- 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016. This camp helps cadets to create enthusiasm in them and opportunity to develop them as true Cadets.
2. Six senior students also attended the Pre-RDC-I CATC at Bhiwara on 19<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 16 Students were also inculcated with knowledge about firing, SLR Training, obstacle training, map reading and others events.
3. Five cadets take part in IGC on 3<sup>rd</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 16 The Cadet were also acquainted with different Activities like public speaking, physical activities and understanding cultural distinctions etc., during the programme

### **XVIII. NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)**

The NSS Unit of Sophia Girls' College (Autonomous), Ajmer regularly organizes various to develop communal harmony among the students. A number of the activities were organized during this academic year which is as follows:

- The volunteers educated and entertained the audience through Nukkad Nataks, songs and dances on themes such as importance of educating girl child, religious tolerance, Peace and Harmony and women empowerment to commemorate the celebration of Sadhbhawana Diwas on 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2016.
- On World's AIDS Day, The NSS volunteers conducted the special Assembly with a talk and Nukkad Natak on this terrible scourge of mankind. 100 volunteers participated in a candle lit procession to create awareness in the adopted village. On this occasion CMHO and Ministry of health organized a poster making competition in which our volunteers had also participated. They bagged the first and second prize for the same.
- Rally was organized on the "girl Child Day". NSS volunteers actively took part in the rally which started from the college campus to the Collectorate. On their way they were shouting the slogans and holding the posters so that message could be carried to the crowd. They also performed the two nukkad nataks on the theme 'Save the Girl Child' and 'Education the Right of every girl'.
- A Blood Donation Camp was organized on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 for the volunteers with the help of the Indian Red Cross Society. 50 NSS volunteers donated 50 units of blood to the Blood Bank of J.L.N Hospital, Ajmer.
- A Seminar was organized for the Volunteers on National Integration Day on 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2016. A lecture on National Integration was given. The volunteers were asked to have group discussion and they point out the factors responsible for the lack of Integration such as state autonomy, Regionalism and also to suggest measures to promote National Integration.

