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Shivaji College

“Where the mind is without fear  
And the head is held high...”

-Rabindranath Tagore





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## *Looking Back*

**W**e are the makers and markers of memory in this journey of a lifetime. We are here today; someone else will be there tomorrow. While we are here, we shall continue making and marking memories.

*In Commemoration* is our obeisance to the indomitable spirit of Shivaji College; it is also our humble effort to preserve the magnificent memories Shivaji College has made in this journey of sixty years.

This souvenir holds together cherished moments in the journey of Shivaji College – of the indefatigable efforts to hold its ground in the incipient days, literally and figuratively; and of momentous events and jublations. It also brings forth felicitations by state dignitaries, heads of institutions, former principals and faculty; and reflections by alumni of the college.

From finding the right words that succinctly capture the historical landmarks in these sixty years to feeling the vibrant and glossy pages of this souvenir in my fingers, my personal journey of compiling the Diamond Jubilee Souvenir has been nothing but pure joy. I owe my deepest gratitude to the Principal Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev and to the Convener of Diamond Jubilee Committee Dr. Anuradha Mal for resting their faith in me and giving me this opportunity. Sourcing the photographs and information of the bygone years has been a mammoth task, and one that wouldn't have been possible without the support of the editorial team. I take special note of Dr. Antara Bhatia and Mr. Pranab Bora's tireless support in organising and editing the contents of the souvenir, sitting through endless hours and checking the minutest details.

The Diamond Jubilee Year will be etched in the annals of Shivaji College as a year that witnessed perseverance and jubilation at the same time. Even as the COVID-19 virus threatened the human community, we traversed these trying months with resolute spirit. Diamond Jubilee is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that one can ill afford to lose. The silver lining in the cloud is that the new 'normal' during the Corona times occasioned the opportunity to host lectures by the heads of prestigious institutions such as JNU, IIT Delhi, and BHU. The greatest blessing in disguise, however, will be witnessed on August 25, 2021, at the Concluding Ceremony of the Diamond Jubilee Commemorations. The Hon'ble Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu shall be gracing the occasion as the Chief Guest.

We regret that we will miss the opportunity of featuring in the Diamond Jubilee Souvenir the historic moment of our Vice President speaking at the closing ceremony. Nonetheless, we take consolation in the fact that the souvenir will be released by the Hon'ble Vice President.

As all good things come to a close, the Diamond Jubilee Commemorations too have come to an end. With this, we open the pages of this fitting tribute to the proud years of Shivaji College. Each picture has a story to tell, each page a glimpse from the past.

Until the next milestone, we strive, we persevere, we stand tall and proud!

**Dr. Leisangthem Gitarani Devi**  
**Editorial Head**





**Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh**  
**Founding Father**





“*Education is not preparation for life;  
education is life itself....*”  
*John Dewey*

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## Vision and Mission

### Vision

All activities in the college are driven toward realizing the vision of the college: "Transform One Life, Transform the Nation". Quest for knowledge, freedom of expression and respect for culture is the hallmark of this college. Our vision is to produce generations of optimistic, resourceful, committed, and passionate future leaders who will continue transforming the society and the nation.

### Mission

The motto of Shivaji College *Amritam Tu Vidya* (Knowledge is Eternal) highlights the mission of our college. Transcending 'knowledge' beyond books and academics, Shivaji College is committed to providing experiential knowledge that not only heightens the intellectual capacity but also builds the character of students. To this end, the mission of Shivaji College is:

- To nurture an ecosystem that promotes democratic values, inclusiveness of diverse peoples and cultures, and freedom of expression and creativity
- To instill a culture of sensitivity to gender issues and identities; to challenges pertinent to differently-abled people and economically-weaker sections; and to experiences of people from marginalised communities
- To promote civic ecology practices on campus and beyond for a sustainable relationship between human, community and nature
- To encourage a dynamic engagement between curricular and extra-curricular learning and positive social implications
- To inculcate critical thinking and find new grounds of learning
- To foster a stimulating academic environment that encourages a spirit of enquiry, innovation and experimentation.

## Five Pillars of Shivaji College







## Felicitations

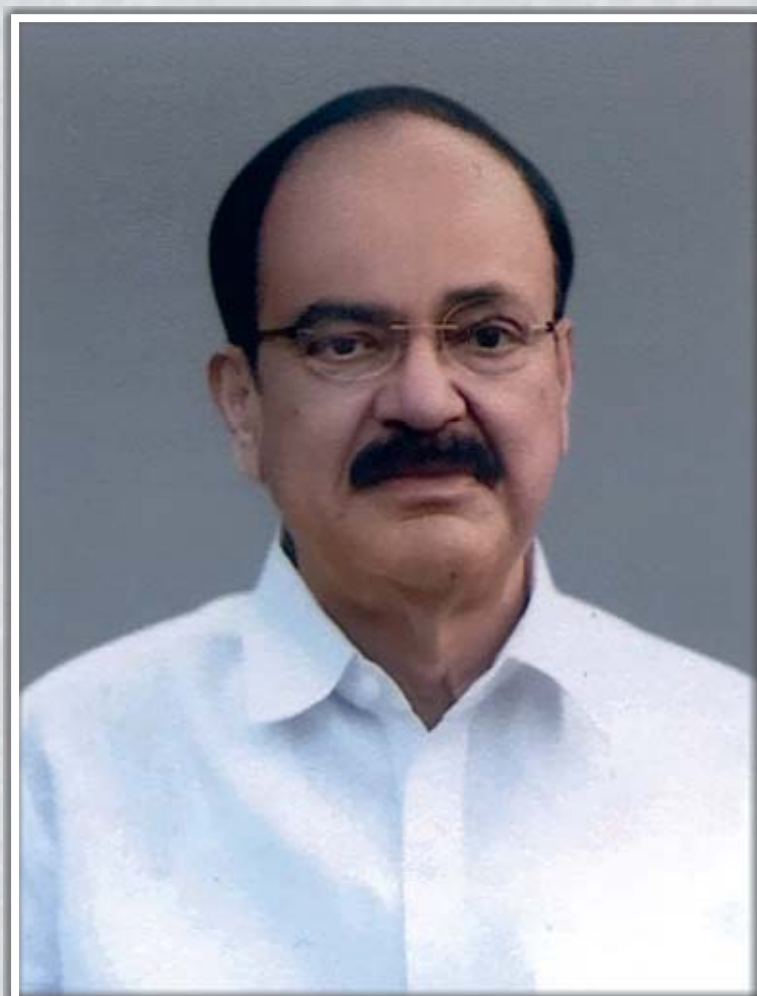
“The function of leadership is to produce more leaders,  
not more followers,”

- Ralph Nader





**Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu**  
Hon'ble Vice President of India



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**MESSAGE**

The Hon'ble Vice President of India is happy to know that Shivaji College, University of Delhi is publishing a Diamond Jubilee Souvenir (2020-2021) on the occasion of the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the college.

The Hon'ble Vice President extends his greetings and congratulations to the students, teachers and the staff of the college and wishes the event all success.

  
(D. Prasanth Kumar Reddy)

New Delhi  
10<sup>th</sup> February, 2021.





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Prime Minister

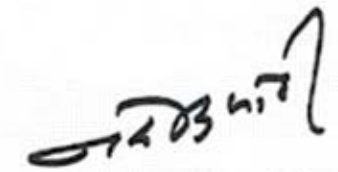
संदेश

शिवाजी कॉलेज, दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के हीरक जयंती वर्ष समारोह के आयोजन और इस अवसर पर स्मारिका के प्रकाशन के बारे में जानकारी प्रसन्नता हुई। कॉलेज प्रशासन और समस्त विद्यार्थियों को मेरी हार्दिक शुभकामनाएं।

बदलते समय की जरूरतों के अनुसार हमारे शिक्षण संस्थान विद्यार्थियों की सर्वांगीण प्रगति सुनिश्चित करने में अहम भूमिका निभा रहे हैं। हमारी नई राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति का फोकस भी संकल्प, विश्वास और मूल्यों से भरे युवा भारत का निर्माण है जो राष्ट्र की उन्नति का आधार हो। यह देखना सुखद है कि हमारी युवा पीढ़ी आत्मनिर्भर भारत के निर्माण के प्रण से अपनी सोच और प्रयासों को जोड़ कर उसे निरंतर मजबूत कर रही है।

मुझे विश्वास है कि हीरक जयंती वर्ष के अवसर पर कॉलेज के विद्यार्थी, शिक्षक व अन्य कर्मी पिछले 60 वर्षों की गौरवपूर्ण उपलब्धियों से प्रेरणा लेंगे और नयी ऊर्जा के साथ आने वाले दिनों के लक्ष्यों की प्राप्ति के लिए तेज गति से आगे बढ़ेंगे।

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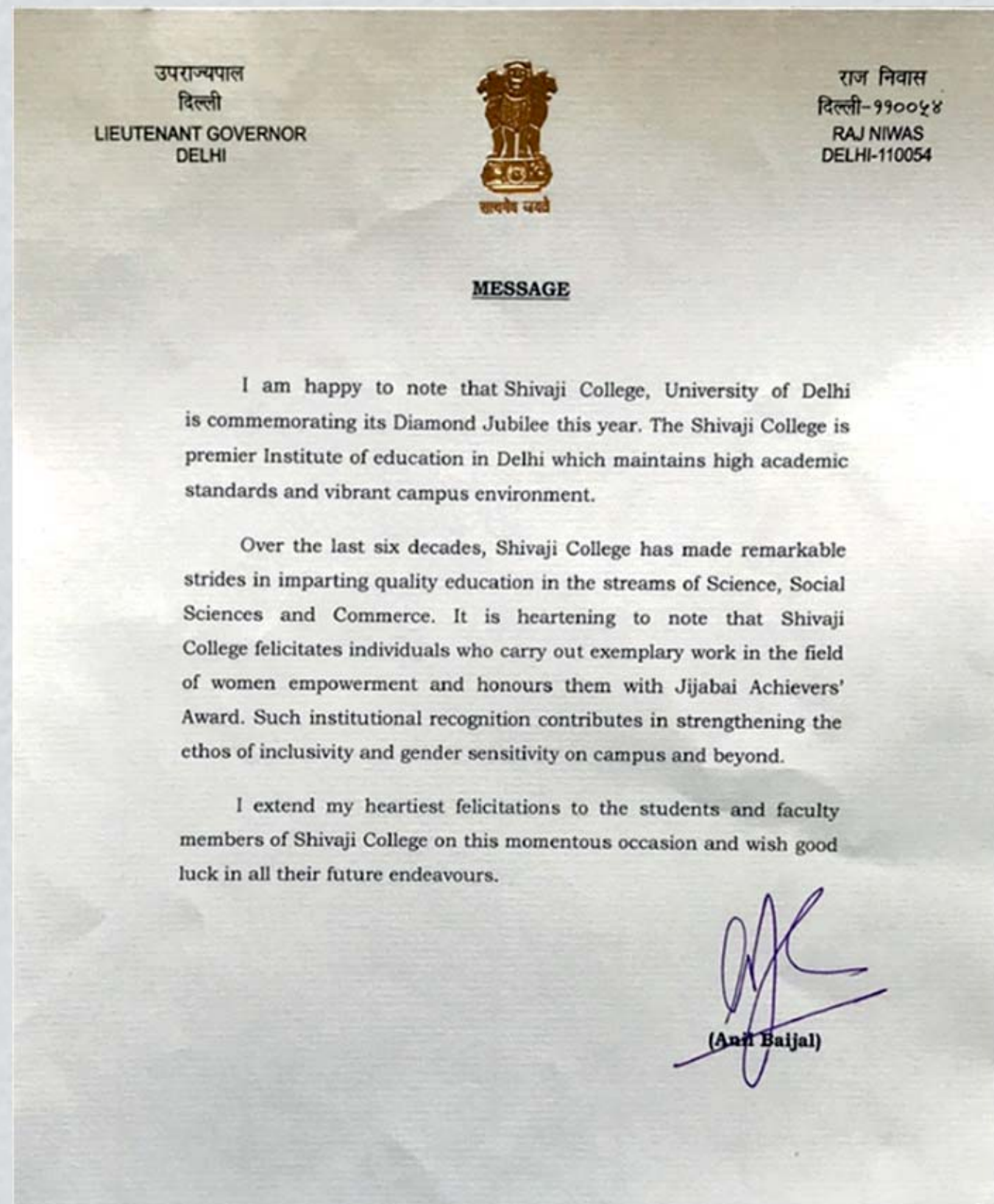
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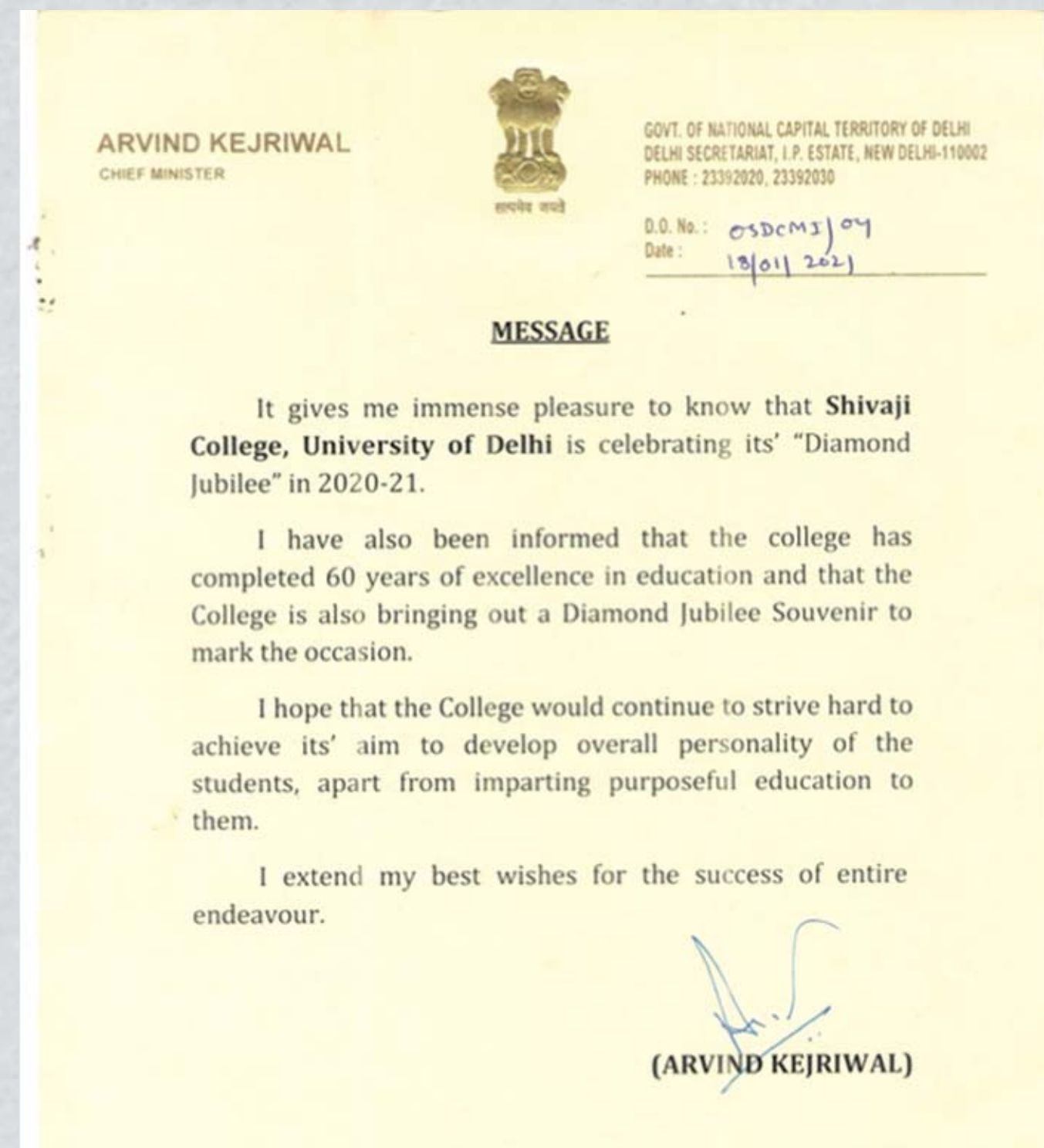


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**MESSAGE**

I am glad to learn that Shivaji College is commemorating its sixtieth anniversary this year and it is indeed a matter of great pride for University of Delhi. Older the institution, weightier the values! I extend my congratulations to the Principal and the entire college fraternity.

I had the privilege to be part of the Inaugural Function of the Diamond Jubilee Commemorations in 2020. It gave me great satisfaction to witness the sheer determination with which Shivaji College transitioned to virtual platform and celebrated its sterling accomplishment. Shivaji College transformed the disadvantages and challenges of the COVID-19 times into advantage and opportunity.

I am of the conviction that Shivaji College, an institution with a legacy of collective commitments and highly-motivated staff and students, will continue to excel in its endeavours.

I take this opportunity – once again – and wish the college many more such milestones to accomplish!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'PCJ' with a flourish.

(Prof. P. C. Joshi)

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**MESSAGE**

*It is my pleasure to extend my heartiest congratulations to the Principal, the staff and the students on the Diamond Jubilee commemoration of Shivaji College.*

*Achieving such a milestone in the journey of an educational institution and securing 30<sup>th</sup> position among India's best professional colleges by Outlook ICARE Ranking 2020 is a matter of great pride. Shivaji College stood strong and steadfast in these 60 years of service to educating the youths of the country. Despite the pandemic lockdown and the corona virus onslaught on the personal lives of so many people, Shivaji College continued to keep the spirit of commemoration blazing by organizing several academic programmes online.*

*I extend my warm greetings and felicitations to all those associated with the College and wish good luck for many more such milestones to celebrate in the years to come.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "B. Pani", written over a horizontal line.

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#### MESSAGE

I am delighted to know that Shivaji College of the University of Delhi is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee year. I was privileged to join the authorities, teachers and the students at the inaugural ceremony last year, which I thoroughly enjoyed. It was heartening note that despite various restrictions and difficulties presented by the Covid-19 pandemic, the authorities of Shivaji College managed to hold a magnificent inaugural ceremony online, and I am informed that the College has been holding the various academic and cultural programmes it had planned to mark the occasion. That is the positive approach and inspiring spirit our country has presented before the world during the past difficult months.

Shivaji College is one of the oldest institutions associated with the University of Delhi and it has been imparting education to undergraduates and training graduates in almost all the disciplines. The college has excellent infrastructure, a committed faculty and an able administrative leadership, which will continue to beckon good students to its premises. The College has been devotedly practising what our scriptures have lauded as: *vidya dhanam sarvadhanapradhanam* ("Acquisition of knowledge is the supreme wealth of human beings").

On its momentous occasion of the Diamond Jubilee I send my warm congratulations and best wishes to Shivaji College, its alumni and everybody associated with it.

  
(Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar)



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For Shivaji College


It is commendable to see that Shivaji College has made immense progress in the last few years and I wish that in the coming years the college would strengthen itself by creating an environment of undergraduate research. I recommend that the college must retain research-oriented faculty who should in turn encourage the students to indulge in research. It will be the biggest contribution of the college towards making the 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat'.

  
(Prof Rakesh Bhatnagar)



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I extend my profound wishes to Shivaji College on their Diamond Jubilee celebrations. I attended one of the programmes organised by Shivaji College recently to commemorate the occasion. At the event, I had the opportunity to not only share the importance of research and innovation but also to connect with the staff and the students of Shivaji College and witness the dedication that drives them.

I share their feeling of immense pride and joy on the accomplishment of this milestone, as IIT Delhi too is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. As an institution, we have made great strides in transforming the lives and daily functions of people through our research work. From its humble beginning, what Shivaji College has accomplished today is no small feat. I am of the conviction that Shivaji College will make a mark very soon in enhancing the research works by students and in transforming knowledge into wealth. Big dreams are no big deal for those who never give up.

I congratulate the Principal, the staff, and the students of Shivaji College once again on this joyous occasion.



(V. Ramgopal Rao)



**Dr. Vikas Gupta**  
Registrar, University of Delhi



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## दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय University of Delhi

### MESSAGE

Dear Professor Shiv Kumar Sahdev, Principal, Shri Ajay Bhatia, Chairman, Governing Body, Members of the Governing Body, Staff and Students.

It is indeed a matter of great joy and honour to know that Shivaji College has completed its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and is celebrating its diamond jubilee year. I convey my felicitations and best wishes to all those, of the present and past, who have contributed to the steady progress of this great institution.

Shivaji College, I am informed, has been organizing several online events to commemorate the milestone achieved. Despite the setback caused by the Corona pandemic, Shivaji College has shown perservance and kept its festive spirit high. It is not a surprise to me as Shivaji College is known in the University space for the commendable initiatives and the robust co-curricular activities.

I also urge the dear students, who passed out of this institution, to realize their responsibility of building a society where all can live together in peace and harmony and work for carrying forward the values and culture of our great motherland "BHARAT".

I take this opportunity to wish the college many more milestones and success in the years to come.

*Vikas Gupta*  
**Dr. Vikas Gupta**

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**Shri Ajay Bhatia**  
Chairperson, Governing Body, Shivaji College



“The Journey of a Thousand Miles Starts with a Single Step”  
-Lao Tzu

It is an honour for me to write this address as the Chairman of the Governing Body of this prestigious institution, in its Diamond Jubilee Year. It is an occasion of honour for any institution to have completed 60 years and to have remained an epitome of knowledge, integrity, dignity, honour and service.

It is true that every long journey starts with a single step, however what remains in oblivion is the resolve behind taking that first initial step. Before any inception there is a vision. Some may call it a dream, some vision and some inspiration. However, there is no disagreement to the fact that a vision may emanate from an individual consciousness or through collective consciousness of a group, striving for a greater good. The resolve that brings a dream into physical existence requires a perpetual commitment to overcome any obstacle, which may come in the way of success.

The success of Shivaji College is a glaring example of the collective resolve of its principals, teachers, staff and students, past and present, whose efforts have made this college a reverend institution of imparting knowledge, while also laying a strong foundation supporting the future of our country.

The past successes achieved by this institution only increase our responsibility to endeavour that in the next 15 years, towards the Platinum Jubilee of this premiere institution, we shall resolve to make this college an institution of first choice amongst the knowledge seekers.

With humble thanks

**Mr. Ajay Bhatia**  
**Chairperson**  
**Governing Body**  
**Shivaji College**



## *Shivaji College: Recapitulation of a Journey*

**“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world”.**

**- Nelson Mandela**

As Shivaji College celebrates its Diamond Jubilee in 2021, we reflect with pride on its splendid accomplishments. The college, founded in 1961 by Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh, the then Union Minister for Agriculture, began its journey with 20 teachers and 400 students and offered courses in B.A. and B. Com. Pass and Pre-Medical Studies. It operated from a temporary structure in Matiala village near Najafgarh and functioned with minimal facilities.

Every head of the institution left a positive mark on the college. Dr. R. K. Bhan, the first principal of the college made the best of the limited facilities available in its foundational years. Having secured 5% funding from the Government of Delhi by 1967 the premises of the college was shifted to Karampura.

A decade later, in 1976, the college was granted its own plot of land in the present location of Raja Garden. The new building of the institution was inaugurated by the then Vice President of India, Shri B. D. Jatti. It now offered 14 courses and had 700 students on its rolls. Dr. S. S. Rana's tenure as principal coincided with the shift to the new building and he was passionately committed to the welfare of the teachers and students and under his stewardship the college attained some measure of intellectual vigour. This progression of the college was waylaid with trials and tribulations and Dr. Rana along with the faculty ultimately triumphed to make the campus a safe, healthy and graceful space and celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the founding of the college in 1986.

The unwavering dedication of the principals and staff through the years provided a thorough grounding, changing the narrative of the fledgling institution into a successful, constituent college of the University of Delhi, committed to impart an educational rigour to the students and work towards their overall welfare. Shivaji College now boasts of 18 departments, offering 20 undergraduate courses, 3 postgraduate courses and a strength of 3939 students.

Dr. Shashi Nijhawan was at the helm of affairs from 2009-2020 and during this period the college metamorphosed and catapulted to new heights of academic rigour and holistic development. An era of continuous intellectual interaction was ushered in through international and national seminars, workshops, programmes and lectures. She espoused causes with tenacity, including innovation projects aimed to better the lives of the people, environmental issues, and insurance coverage for all students at a nominal premium. Gender equality being very close to her heart, the college instituted the annual Jijabai Achievers Awards to felicitate individuals who work towards women empowerment at grassroots level. The college became a dynamic space under her leadership, receiving several awards and grants and frequent media coverage for some exemplary work or the other. Along with the staff and students, Dr. Nijhawan led the Golden Jubilee celebrations with an international seminar in 2011. There was a prodigious upsurge in infra-structural facilities, the aesthetics of the college received a huge fillip, and the state-of-the-art Jijabai Academic Block reached near completion.

Under her supervision and guidance, the institution added many feathers to its cap. Shivaji College received Grade “A” from the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in 2015. The University of Delhi awarded Shivaji College with the highest number of Innovation Projects, 9 in 2013-2014 and 15 in 2015-2016, in the fields of science and mathematics. These

projects aimed at providing solutions to rainwater harvesting, adulteration of milk, smoothening traffic flow, amongst others. The college was ranked 51st by the National Institute Ranking Framework, MHRD, Govt of India in 2020, while India Today listed the college as one of the best institutions in Commerce (Rank 26), Science (Rank 31) and Humanities (39).

### **IQAC**

The college constituted the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in 2015 for quality monitoring and assurance of the teaching and learning process. The IQAC mandates academic audits to assess the fulfilment of institutional requirements such as internal assessment, department activities, support for low scoring students, mentor-mentee programme and so on. The IQAC also instituted a feedback mechanism for bringing about quality enhancement. Several programmes are organised under the aegis of the IQAC for faculty development, professional ethics, quality management and webinars for the edification of students.

### **FINANCIAL GRANTS**

The University of Delhi, the Council of Social Science Research, the University Grants Commission, the Department of Science and Technology, the Department of Biotechnology and the Science and Engineering Research Board funded research in 13 departments of the college between 2015- 2020. In 2019, Shivaji College was awarded a financial grant under the prestigious DBT Star College Scheme supporting the departments of Biochemistry, Botany, Chemistry and Zoology.

### **INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENTS AND CAMPUS INITIATIVES**

From an educational institution which sourced its potable drinking water from a small well and then through a horse cart the standard of the infrastructure of the college has undergone a qualitative and quantitative shift. Since over a decade and more, modern facilities in classrooms and seminar halls were introduced along with state-of-the-art science and computer laboratories. The soon to open Jijabai Academic Block will ease the space crunch and enable the faculty to communicate and teach with the latest technological tools. It will also help the students in their spirit of enquiry and the spirit of the quest.

The campus has been transformed into a space which is smoke-free, clean and has a healthy environment. There is a thorough adoption of best practices, eco-friendly measures like rainwater harvesting pits, solar power panels, vermicomposting pit and the herbal garden, all of which help in reducing carbon footprint and keep the college clean and green. Shivaji College won the Green Campus Award in 2017-2018 and the best Herbal Garden Award consecutively in 2019 and 2020. The airy corridors, well-ventilated classrooms, and LED lights in the campus add positively to its good ambience and eco-friendly atmosphere.

The library is spacious, well-equipped and integral to the working of the college when it comes to disseminating knowledge and innovative ideas. There is a collection of over 80,000 books, more than 700 CDS of various disciplines, 7 print journals, subscription of 48 newspapers and magazines, access to 6000 E- journals and E- books and 31,35,309 through INFLIBNET in the library. It has access to DULS (Delhi University System). The library premises include air-conditioned reading rooms, computer rooms and xerox facility. The RFID system was introduced in 2019 facilitating the various mechanisms of book tracking and transfers.

Shivaji College has one of the biggest sports grounds in the university which offers another form



of mental and physical well-being. It has fields and courts for cricket, football, basketball, volleyball, tennis, a grass athletic track and an indoor space for table tennis and chess. The total area of the sports ground is 8.5 acres. Intensive training under expert guidance is de rigueur and tournaments are organised every semester.

There is a WUS Health Centre in the premises of the college for students and members of the university.

## FACULTY

The faculty members of Shivaji College are prolific researchers. The percentage of PhD degree holders has risen from 49.5% to 66% in the past one decade. Their research extends beyond degrees and they do other meaningful writing. Their publications include books and chapters published by international and national publishers and research articles in nationally and internationally published journals. Between 2011- 2020 more than 1000 books, chapters and research articles were published by the teaching faculty of the college.

Teachers of the college, engaged in research, mentoring, and promoting quality teaching have been innumerable recognised by myriad institutions and associations and have been recipients of honours, awards, fellowships and scholarships within the country and abroad.

The non-teaching staff across the board makes sure the work of the college, including that of the students and faculty, runs smoothly and with efficacy.

## DEPARTMENTS

The departments are the backbone of an educational institution. All the departments of the college proactively adopt innovative and inclusive methodologies for pedagogy and mentoring. At the level of the departments 5 international and 17 national seminars, conferences and workshops, and a plethora of other academic activities were organised in the college in the last decade. The Departments of Biochemistry and Mathematics jointly organised 5 Health Camps in the college.

### Biochemistry

The Department of Biochemistry organises multiple programmes in the course of a year. These include lectures, seminars and conferences on subjects as varied as developing drugs to combat highly pathogenic viruses: lesson from anti Ebola virus drug development, and DNA structure and the mechanism of its interaction with proteins. It organises health melas, educational visits to research centres, and carries out skill training programmes for the inter- college laboratory staff.

### Botany

The Department of Botany has a Botanical Society under the aegis of which they sensitise students about protection of plants and trees and undertake large scale tree plantation programmes. The Department organises regular lectures on topics like Sensory Perceptions in Plants and Milestones from Plant Science to Agricultural Biotechnology in India. It organises study tours, festivals and inter- departmental workshops and webinars on how to improve health in the time of the pandemic.

### Business Economics

The Department of Business Economics organises its annual seminar Invoke that includes lectures on subjects like Everything You Need to Know About Goods and Services Tax and How to Analyse the Stock Market along with Stock Mind, and panel discussions. It makes study trips to manufacturing plants and organises competitive events like the Stock Mind Competition.

### Chemistry

The Department of Chemistry organises its annual Academic Festival Rastantrum and holds lectures, seminars and workshops on topics like the Application of Chemistry in Crime Cases, and Climate Change 2.0: Its impact on Earth and Society. The Department conducts National Level Test like the ACT Concept Test in Chemistry. It also organises educational visits to different institutions and conducts inter college training programmes for the laboratory staff.

### Commerce

The Department of Commerce organises national conferences, workshops, lectures and webinars on subjects like Globalisation, Economic Development and Sustainability and Building Self-Reliant India in Post COVID-19 Regime. It familiarises students with varieties of software, organises national level faculty development programmes, and conducts mock test drives in online and offline modes. The Department also organises visits to places like the Bombay Stock Exchange Office and the Securities and Exchange Board of India.

### Computer Science

The Department of Computer Science organises its annual Technical Festival Techelons in which students from institutions like DTU, IIITD, NSIT, DU MCA, BHU participate. It organises lectures on subjects like Cybercrime and Cyber Laws and Emerging Technologies and Their Career Perspectives and workshops on topical issues like Internet of Things.

### Economics

The Department of Economics organises an annual Academic Festival Pareto under the aegis of which they hold lectures on subjects such as Introduction to Financial Markets and The Economics and Politics of Global Warming. It also organises statistical workshops to apprise students of statistical software. The Department holds webinars to discuss the onslaught on the economy in the wake of the pandemic and how India can emerge from it as a winner.

### English

The Department of English organises its annual festival Litopia and holds lectures on diverse topics like Development of the Novel in English from Social Realism to Fantasy via Magical Realism to Indo-Sino Relations: Social, Political and Cultural Ramifications. It also organises National Conferences on subjects like Many Patriarchies, Many Positionalities: Re-interrogating Gender in Narratives from North-East India. The Department conducts workshops, outstation tours, heritage walks, creative writing workshops and film screenings.

### Environmental Studies

The Department of Environmental Studies organises many field trips to make the students



aware of the diverse set of environmental issues to places like the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, PUSA, Okhla Bird Sanctuary, to the Sahibi river also known as the Najafgarh Drain to study the flora and fauna around it. It also conducts practical training courses like Paper Recycling and Butterfly Count programmes.

## Geography

The Department of Geography organises its Academic Festival Shivalik and several lectures annually. It also conducts film screenings, quiz competitions and debates, and workshops on topics like Indian Cultural Values and Sustainable Environment: Emerging Grassroot Activism in Environmental Management and Rural Development. The Department undertakes study tours to various places in the country some of which include excursions to Sariska Tiger Sanctuary, Fatehpur Sikri, Damdama Lake and Manaoli Toki village.

## Hindi

The Department of Hindi under the aegis of its society Sahitya Sangam organises a series of lectures on a variety of themes such as Navgeet Parampara Aur Shambhunath Singh and Hindi ka Rashtriya aur Antarashtriya Pariprekshya : Sambhavnaoke Dwar. It also organises creative and slogan writing, poster making, literary and fancy- dress competitions, Kavi Sammelan, Hindi Day and outstation tours. The Department also conducts Faculty Development Programmes.

## History

The Department of History under the aegis of the History Society organises International and National seminars annually on topics such as Environment, Delhi, Acculturation, Language, Historiography and Syncretism etc. The Department conducts museum tours, heritage walks in Delhi and outstation tours to historical sites such as Agra, Fatehpur Sikri, Gwalior, Sanchi, Bhimbetka, organises competitive events and film reviews and uses ICT to enhance pedagogy and give the students a multi- dimensional experience of the subject.

## Mathematics

The Department of Mathematics under the aegis of its society Tesseract organises its annual Festival Infinity with a host of lectures and programmes. Some of the lectures organised have been on topics like Role of Statistics in Big Data Use of GIS, GPS and Remote Sensing in Precision Agriculture. It also conducts Faculty Development Programmes, workshops, health melas and several competitions related to Mathematics such as Rangoli, Poster Making, Slogan Writing, Debate, Paper Presentation, Sudoku Mania and Quiz.

## Physical Education

The Department of Physical Education hosts a large number of sports tournaments in its playground, and the annual Sports Day of the college in which students and staff participate. Inter- college tournaments for the differently- abled students are also organised on this day. Various sports teams of the college participate in numerous competitive sports across the state, the country and in Asia. On the eve of the Independence Day the Department hosts a kite flying festival.

## Physics

The Department of Physics through its society INVENIO organises workshops, lecture series and national conferences on subjects such as Physics through Embedded Systems and Semiconductor Opto Electronic Devices: A Perspective. It conducts competitive events like Polemic, Blue-Book, Democreative Bhautiki, Skill Mela, Alpana and Stage Plays. The Department organises educational trips to places like the IUAC and conducts the National Graduate Physics Examination organised by the Indian Association of Physics Teachers.

## Political Science

The Department of Political Science organises its Academic Festival and a series of lectures annually on subjects like Social Justice in Contemporary Times and India at 70: Yet Miles Away from a Vibrant Democracy. It also organises essay and debate competitions and takes students on field trips to places like the National Parliament. The Department celebrates special days like the Voter's Day, the Constitution Day and United Nations Day.

## Sanskrit

The Department of Sanskrit organises under the aegis of its society Nishreyasa seminars and lectures on topics like Information Technology for Sanskrit Heritage and Modern Science in Vedas. It also organised an international seminar with the Department of History on ACCULTURATION! The society also celebrates the Sanskrit week with the Sanskrit Sambhashan Shivir, Sanskrit Sammelan and cultural programmes.

## Zoology

The Department of Zoology organises national seminars, symposia, lectures and workshops on subjects like Learning Developmental Biology through Experiments and the Role of Nanoparticles. It also conducts field trips to places like the zoo to study animal behaviour. The Department organises inter-college Laboratory Skill Training Programmes for laboratory assistants, undertakes various research projects, and summer training programmes.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH RESPONSIVENESS

Over a period of time Shivaji College has made inroads not only in academia but has also been responsive towards organising programmes for community outreach and in the cultural arena. Opportunities are provided to students to explore, experiment, and discover by imparting to them hands-on experience so that they imbibe ideas of social justice and responsibility. While giving something back to society they are able to evolve different dimensions of their own personality.

## NCC

The National Cadet Corps [NCC] involves both girls and boys and inculcates in them the spirit of bravery, integrity and bonhomie. These cadets also conduct rallies for polio eradication, traffic awareness, organise swachhta pakhwara and make their voices heard against rising social discrimination and suppression. They undergo rigorous training and are frequently seen dressed in their smart uniforms, presenting the guard of honour to dignitaries who grace the portals of the college. The cadets are also on duty at the COVID 19 Vaccination Camp at Shivaji College.



## NSS

The National Service Scheme[NSS] unit is one of the most active bodies in the college. It pursues a multi- pronged approach to bring about meaningful change in society. While on the one hand members of NSS conduct workshops on Say No To Polythene, arrange to transfer material aid like blood donation drives and distribution of food, clothes and sanitary napkins, etc., on the other, they create awareness amongst students and society by organising street plays, workshops and webinars on social issues. Students of this unit engage with the underprivileged people in the habitations near the college to facilitate them in the spheres of sanitation and education. Students of NSS distributed food packets in COVID 19 infested areas.

## Enactus

Enactus Shivaji was established in 2015 with the aim of benefitting the underprivileged people through various projects directed at making them economically self- reliant and aware people. Enactus has carried out a range of programmes from Project Bandhini to Daan Mahotsav and organised a series of webinars on Menstrual Hygiene, Sustainable Development, health, mental health, Breast Cancer Awareness and an understanding about COVID 19.

## Equal Opportunity Cell

The Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC) was established in 2010 to provide a platform for students with disabilities for their creative expressions and regular activities. EOC organises an annual sports meet for such students. There are ramps in the college and modern equipment in the library for the differently abled and the visually challenged.

## Women's Development Cell

The Women's Development Cell (WDC) of Shivaji College is a dynamic society that draws its members from all genders. The society organises innumerable programmes throughout the year to promote ideas of gender parity, opportunities for all and knowledge of the processes and laws in place which can assist people suffering gender discrimination. The society also selects five persons annually who work at the grassroots level for the empowerment of women and felicitates them with the Jijabai Achievers Awards, instituted by the college itself in 2009. WDC collaborates with NGOs and National and International bodies like the UNO for its programmes. Scholars like Professors Salome Martinez Salazar and Wendy Singer and activists such as Kamala Bhasin, who work towards empowering women across the world have graced its seminars organised for intellectual capital on the issues related to gender disparity. WDC has received several awards for promoting women empowerment from organisations such as the Women's Agency for Generating Employment.

## EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

### Cultural Committee

The Cultural Committee is a conglomeration of numerous societies that cater to different performing arts and intellectual exercise such as music, dance, fashion, theatre, fine arts, photography and film making and debate. It provides opportunities to students to hone their talents throughout their tenure in college and showcase their skills and cerebral capacity through numerous competitive events and workshops organised the year round. Vayam, the Dramatics Society has a brand value that makes it famous across the country. The highlights of

the committee's programmes are the Shivaji Bhonsle Parliamentary Debate; two annual SPIC MACAY events when great artists perform in the auditorium such as Pandits Rajan and Sajan Mishra and Vidushi Dr. Uma Sharma; an annual Cultural Festival VIBRATIONS where students of different colleges compete for attractive prizes and the finale is always a STAR NITE. Some of the star singers who have performed here are Neha Kakkar, Shalmali Kholgade and Benny Dayal.

## Spade

The Society for Practical Applications and Development of Economics (SPADE) was accredited as the first Socio-Economic Society of Shivaji College in 2017. SPADE organises annual lecture sessions and a festival entitled ACE of SPADE, an acronym for Annual Consortium for Excellence. It organises webinars and workshops on the challenges people face in various fields, such as in Micro-Blogging Data Analytics and carries out Vigilance Awareness Events.

## Placement Cell, EDC, Finance and Investment Cell

Committees like the Placement Cell, the Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC) and Finance and Investment Cell at Shivaji College encourage the spirit of entrepreneurship and business acumen.

The college understands the symbiotic relationship between creativity and entrepreneurship. To face the competitiveness of the business world outside the environs of undergraduate studies, students are given first- hand guidance by the Entrepreneurship Development Cell. Lectures, workshops, webinars and panel discussions are conducted to keep students motivated and aspirational. These intelligent young thinking minds also find their space in the Placement Cell which aims to develop various skill sets required in the professional world. It enlightens students about the dynamics of the prevailing job market.

Recruitment and placement drives are held regularly. In the last half decade our students from all streams have been recruited by various major companies. There is special focus on financial independence for female students. Our students have been making a mark in fields as diverse as Financial Analysis, Assurance, Human Resource, Equity Research, IT, and Marketing and Sales.

## TED<sup>x</sup>

Shivaji College was amongst a handful of institutions to receive a license for TED<sup>x</sup> where distinguished individuals from a variety of professions are invited to speak. The college organised its first ever TED<sup>x</sup> talks in 2018 while the second event was held in 2019 on the theme Resonate, which had speakers like Sonia Jain, one of the best motorcyclists in India and Meeta Gutgutia, the co- founder of 'Ferns and Petals'.

## Literary Society

The Literary Society was established in 2017 to promote literary activities in the college and enhance the creative outlook and critical faculties of the students. Its annual literary festival Abhivyakti is organised with activities like Open Mic, poetry and short story competitions.



## COLLEGE PUBLICATIONS

The college brings out its annual magazine *Shivraj* which publishes articles, poetry, skits and humour written and composed by students and teachers. A bi-annual e-newsletter *Shivaji Exclusive* showcases the numerous activities of the departments and societies across the semesters. Various departments and societies bring out their own publications. The WDC celebrates the lives of Jijabai Awardees in print and carries academic articles on various issues related to gender disparities and harassment with volumes like *Anujivami*, *Change Makers*, *Samtulya* and *Sansmaran*. The NSS brings out an annual newsletter *Srijanatmak Sewa*. The Placement Cell's *Career Chronicle* keeps students abreast of future prospects and career opportunities. SPADE comes out with *Arthmanthan*, a research yearbook and a documentary. *Biokemi*, *Optimum* and *Shivalik* are published respectively by the Departments of Biochemistry, Commerce and Geography.

## STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

Shivaji College boasts of a large, spacious field where sports activities and tournaments are held year round. The training of the students takes place in a holistic manner and they are provided opportunities to participate in competitive tournaments in and outside the city. All students are encouraged to play some sport for their physical and mental wellbeing. Effort is made in multiple ways to imbue students with the sportsman spirit. The College takes great pride in its students and with each passing year generations of them have made it prouder still. A lot of them have gone beyond the classroom to attain high positions at inter-college, state and national levels in sports such as Taekwondo, Throwball, Football, Athletics, Cricket, Shooting, Basketball and Best Physique Tournaments.

Several students have attained scholarships from foreign universities to study for Masters, M. Phil and Ph. D degrees and were selected for meritorious awards. Since 2015 over 700 students of science have received scholarships and fellowships from institutions like the Department of Science and Technology, Department of Biotechnology and the Reliance Foundation. Students have also gained recognition for humanitarian work and even more so during COVID '19 times.

## ALUMNI

It has been our pleasure and honour to welcome, over the years, our alumni to our beautiful campus at celebratory functions. They all have enriched our experience within the institution by stimulating our minds with their ideas, words and motivation.

Our alumni are a testimony to our excellent track record and have made us proud in many ways. Through them, we have built a magnificent legacy and established wonderful traditions which weave together the past, present and future.

Some of our distinguished alumni who made time to interact with us were Dr. Savita, Principal Chief Conservator Forest (Wildlife), Himachal Pradesh, a 1980 BSc. Hons graduate in Botany; Shri Kuldeep Singh Bharadwaj, Ambassador of India to Algeria, IFS, who graduated from the college in 1973, graced our Annual Day programme and Shri Vinod Kumar Meena, Secretary, West Delhi Legal Services Authority, Tis Hazari Court, a graduate in the early years of c. 2000 shared with our students his knowledge of the law for common citizens.

Other alumni include Shri Anjani Kumar, IFS, now Ambassador to the Republic of Mali and

Islamic Republic of Mauritania; Dr Hemchand Jain, Principal Deen Dayal Upadhyay College, University of Delhi; Shri Kulbeer Singh, national player, Volleyball; Shri Rajeev Ranjan, IPS; Dr. Sarvesh Kumar Dubey and Dr. Virender Bharadwaj, Associate Professors, Department of Hindi, Shivaji College; Shri Ajeet Basant, IAS, CEO, Zila Panchayat, Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh; Shri Pankaj Protim Bordoloi, Deputy Director, President's Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhavan Museum, New Delhi.

The journey of those associated with Shivaji College has been a memorable one and they are bound to one another with familial feelings. We hope and pray the institution rises to greater heights still, and the steadily increasing family remains well adjusted.

## THE WAY FORWARD

Since March 2020 Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev has been steering the college during one of the most troubled times in history in the wake of the Covid -19 pandemic. He has not just maintained the college but solidified its pedagogical rigour and enabled digitalisation and online teaching-learning and interaction with the outside world through webinars on Microsoft Teams and Zoom. He has introduced Shivaji Platform for Academic Connect and Empowerment [SPACE] that digitalises and integrates all functionalities of the college, created an e-repository on college website for study materials, and provided access to e-resources at the Central Library of the university and through N-LIST and DELNET. An E-learning Cell was constituted to be updated with technological advances in ICT and the faculty was trained in this and a Faculty Development Programme was carried out. Two online add-on courses in collaboration with IIT Bombay.

The Research Cell of the college was strengthened to facilitate and support research interests among faculty members. Under the aegis of CRC, the college initiated an Intramural Research Scheme with a grant of (up to) Rs 30,000/- to faculty members and students for a year long minor research project.

The college constituted a Student Grievance Cell to address grievances related to examinations and academic activities during COVID-19. The college also set up a HELP GROUP comprising students and senior faculty to assist students in distress. With the support of the Principal, a forum named Centre for Promotion of Inclusivity (CFPI) was constituted to bring together students and faculty to deliberate on issues of social exclusion and discrimination and to promote inclusiveness on campus and beyond.

He has extended a fee concession of over several thousand rupees to students. Under his guidance the college has joined the Vidya Vistar Scheme and partnered with two institutions in India for sharing of knowledge. Shivaji College is running a successful vaccination camp against COVID 19 under his administration in association with the Delhi University Health Centre (West Campus). With the support of the Principal long-pending promotions of faculty to several stages from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor have been accomplished. The process of promotion to professorship is nearing completion.

The college is celebrating the Diamond Jubilee in 2021 under his leadership.





# Shivaji College

## Then and Now

“It is not the beauty of the building you should look at;  
it's the construction of the foundation  
that will stand the test of time...”

*David Allan Coe*







*The Principal and the staff with the founding father Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh (Matiala 1961)*



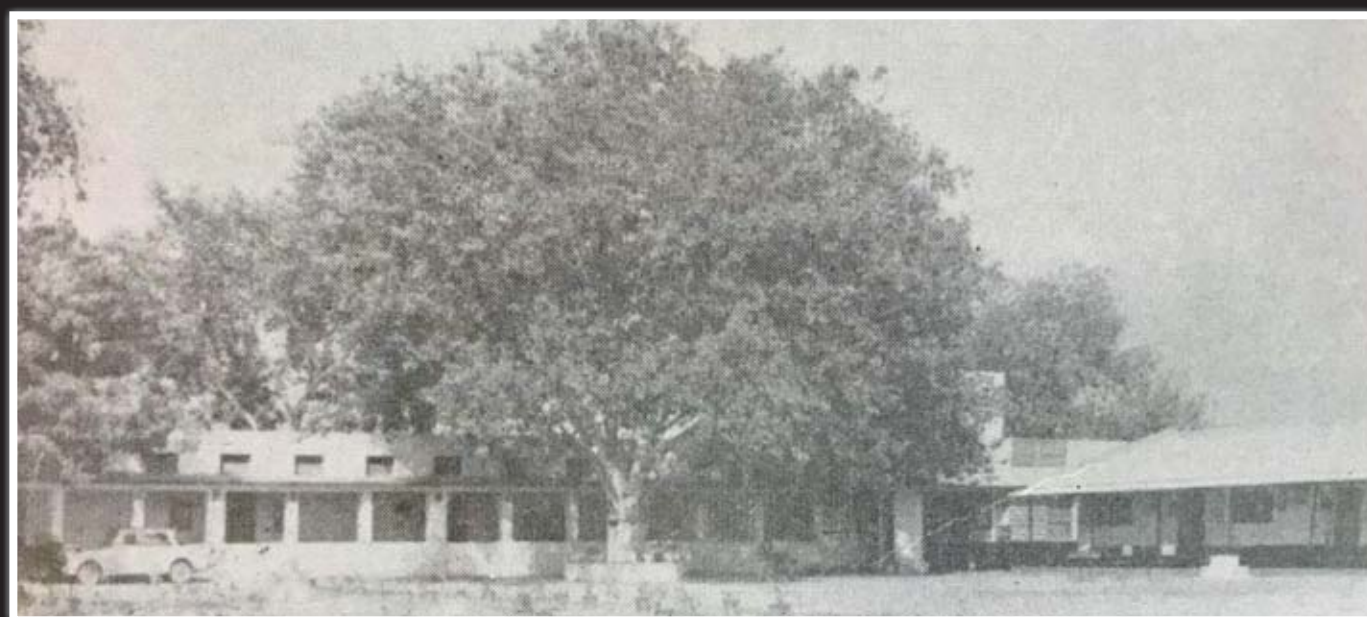
*A view of the college campus behind the syloan greens in the 1970s*



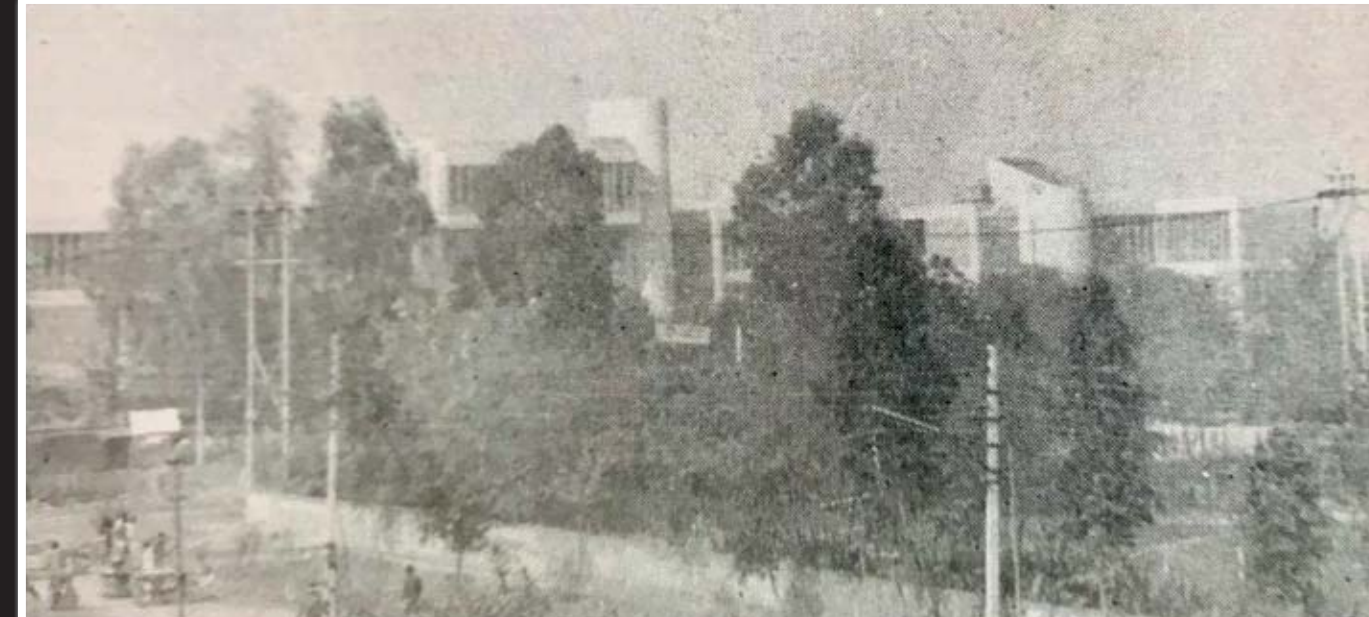
*The building which housed Shivaji College (Najafgarh) from July to September 1961*



*Inauguration of the Shivaji College building (1976) by Shri B.D. Jatti, the Vice President of India*



*The building which housed Shivaji College (Matiala) upto October 1967*



*The college building in the 1970s*









SHIVAJI COLLEGE





*Walking on sunshine*



*Fresh Perspective*



*Itna haseen hai yeh nazaara...*



*The building transforms*



*The Herbal Garden*



*A view from the above*



*Campus beckons*



*Power House*



*The Library - where the finest minds meet the books*







## *The Jijabai Academic Block*

The JIJABAI ACADEMIC BLOCK of Shivaji College is a structural testimony to the commitment and aspiration for new grounds of excellence. The new academic building will accommodate six state-of-the-art labs, one multipurpose hall, three auditoria with multimedia facilities, 12 smart lecture halls, eight research laboratories, four staff rooms, and elevators. These elevators will also give access to the old block. It will also accommodate a finance lab and a recording studio.

The new block has a ground coverage of 1448.95 sq. mts and an open area of 7397.46 sq. mts. Utmost care was being taken to be non-invasive to the ecosystem of the college and latest mechanisms for environmental conservation have been built into this structure and its surroundings.



*A tribute to glory*

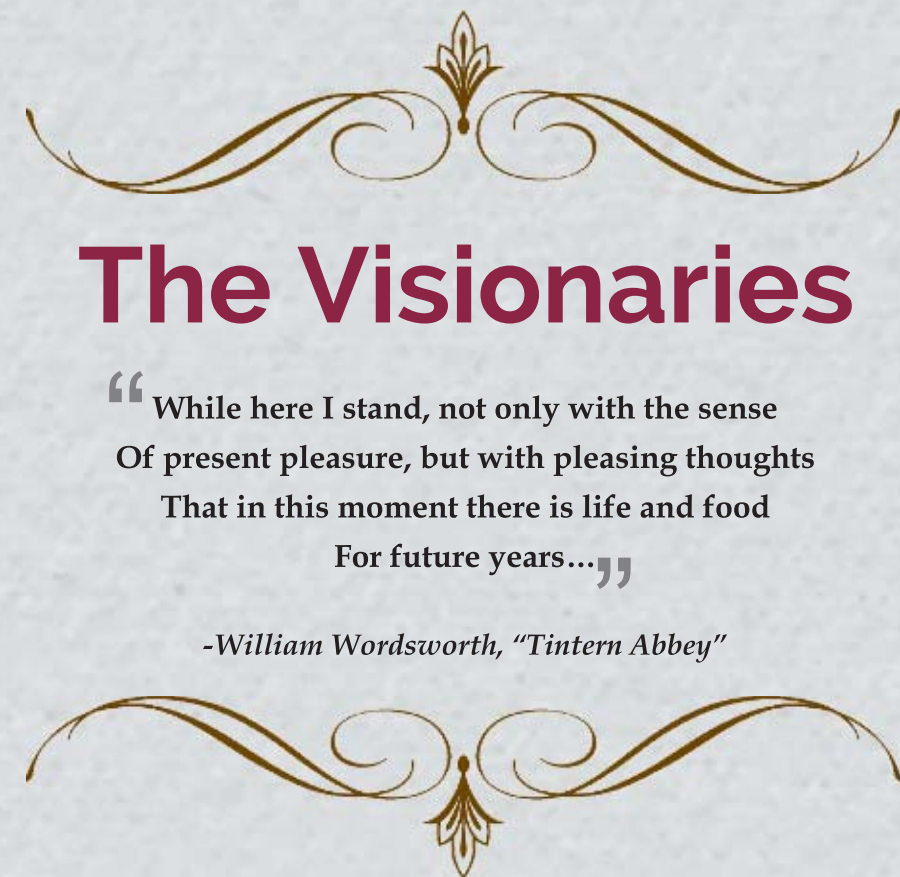


*Inaugural ceremony, Jijabai Academic Block 2020*



*Brimming with pride*





# The Visionaries

“ While here I stand, not only with the sense  
Of present pleasure, but with pleasing thoughts  
That in this moment there is life and food  
For future years...”

-William Wordsworth, “Tintern Abbey”

## Principals through the Years

2020 Onwards

Prof. Shiv Kumar  
Sahdev  
(Officiating)

2009-2020

Dr. Shashi Nijhawan

2006-2009

Dr. Rajesh Mohan  
(Officiating)

2002-2006

Dr. Rama Patnaik

2000-2002

Dr. Dharampal

1999-2000

Dr. Satya Prakash  
(Officiating)

1994-1999

Mr. V.P. Adlakha  
(Officiating)

1992-1994

Mr. R.K. Mohan

1990-1992

Dr. B.S. Sidhu  
(Officiating)

1988-1990

Mr. Prithvi Raj  
(Officiating)

1976-1988

Dr. S.S. Rana

1964-1976

Dr. Tulsi Ram

1961-1964

Dr. R.K. Bhan



## Messages by Former Principals



Dr. Tulsi Ram (1964-1975)

### That Piece of Land

I joined Shivaji College on September 09, 1964 and left it on September 30, 1975. From 1964 to 1975 it was re-located twice until it stood where it is today. When I joined the college, it was housed in the primary wing of a school in the village of Matiala. It had earlier started at Najafgarh, soon after it moved to Matiala; then it moved to Karampura, again in a school building, and now it stands in its own building at Raja Garden. It took eleven years for this college to settle where it does stand and become what it is today. When I joined the college, the most important problem was settlement.

The college was founded by Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh, the then Minister of Agriculture, Government of India. It was originally known as "World Agriculture Fair Memorial Shivaji College". The college from the very beginning had to face financial and other problems. In fact Dr. Panjabrao once said to me: "All other institutions I have started are self-sufficient, but this college alone is a problem." The interest on the Endowment Fund of Rs. 300,000/- was hardly able to meet the Governing Body's share of the college expenditure. Then, unfortunately, Dr Panjabrao expired, and the college faced a financial problem. So the Governing Body decided to hand over the college to the Government.

That year a Government College was started by the Delhi Government at Karampura. At that time Dr. Sarup Singh was the Principal of Shivaji College in addition to his own position as the Principal of Kirori Mal College. Shanti Narayan ji was the Dean of Colleges. So with the collective effort of the Governing Body, Dr. Sarup Singh, Shanti Narayan ji, and with the kindness of the Vice-Chancellor Dr. Ganguly, the college was accepted as "Shivaji College" and joined the Government College at Karampura. It retained its name as Shivaji College.

The land where Shivaji College now stands was with the Delhi Corporation. The Corporation planned to build a District Center there, thereby raising good money. The Corporation officials, I felt, were delaying the transfer of the site we wanted. Thanks to the memory of Dr. Bharadwaj, History lecturer in Shivaji; he did the running about, but to no avail. So for the Annual Day function of the College, we invited Shri Khanna, Minister of Housing, Government of India. The corporation land was to be taken over by DDA and then given to the college by DDA. The corporation was prepared to give us the land, but close to the Ganda Nala. And the college was not prepared to take that proposed land. So in my speech for the Annual Day I said something like this: "The Hindus do believe that to die in Sacred Ganga ji is holy, but nobody would like to die in the Ganda Nala".

Mr. Khanna, later, after the function, asked me what I meant by my remark to Ganga ji and the Ganda Nala. I narrated the whole story as it had been enacted by Corporation officials. Mr. Khanna there and then declared, "The land is taking over". The next day there was a DDA meeting. Mr. Rathi was working chairman of DDA. The land we wanted was taken over and there it stands now, five acres for the building at Rs. 5000.00 per acre and ten acres for the sportsground in the green belt on rent at Rs. 1.00 per acre per year.

Next, there was the problem of joining Government College Karampura and Shivaji College. The Government College was a full-fledged college with adequate staff and students. I met the principal at his residence. He said that the amalgamation of the two institutions was a problem. He explained that the problem was which college joined which. We agreed that Shivaji was an Indian hero, and there should be no problem with naming the college as Shivaji College. We agreed, and the college shifted from Matiala to Karampura. The staff and students joined as students and staff of Shivaji College. The Governing Body of Shivaji College was accepted as the members had already been approved according to the university rules. WAFM was dropped and Shivaji survived as the hero that he ever was.



(Late) Dr. S.S. Rana (1976-1988)

It gives me immense pleasure to know that Shivaji College is taking out a souvenir volume during the College's Diamond Jubilee celebrations this year. I have had the unique privilege of being witness to the saga of grit, determination and achievements ever since its founding in 1961.

I am sure the College would reach further heights in the years to come.





Dr. Shashi Nijhawan (2009-2020)

### My Journey...

I joined Shivaji College on a hot summer day, 18 June 2009, as the Principal. The college was familiar to me as I had earlier served as Assistant Professor in the Department of Biochemistry from September 1988-89. I joined Deshbandhu College thereafter in 1989 on a permanent post. My reason for the shift during that time was a practical one since the distance between my college and my residence in South Delhi was nearly 25 kms. In retrospect, I feel it was my destiny to return to Shivaji College; so many intricate threads of the fabric of my life are woven within these beloved premises.

As I joined during the summer holidays, I could meet only a few senior teachers, who were conducting the SOL examinations, during the first few days. The college had a deserted look as most of the non-teaching staff were on examination duty. I had mixed feelings of anxiety, anticipation and excitement at the same time. I was eager to work towards the betterment of the college that would be my home for many years to come.

There hadn't been a permanent principal for quite a while in the college. Previously, a principal had joined but due to certain unavoidable circumstances, she could not continue. It was thus a new beginning for me as well as for the institution. I lent all my passion and commitment in my first year but at the same time I realised the tremendous responsibility of heading such a large institution. There were many obstacles to overcome, each more urgent than the next. But I had a vision for this institution, a shining goal in mind and I took up my task with the utmost determination.

Over the decade I spent at Shivaji College, we successfully rebuilt the college to not just survive but to thrive. We took a holistic approach from overhauling the infrastructure and reinvigorating academics to improving the organizational health. With this image in mind, I visualised a sparkling clean campus with the best infrastructure, that would create an indelible first impression on whosoever walked into the campus.

I feel thankful that I was lucky enough to get very dedicated and sincere members in the College Development & Purchase Committee. They really worked hard to improve the infrastructure of the college. The first tender was floated for the renovation of washrooms, classrooms, corridors, stairs and auditorium. After that, there was no looking back. The Committee continued the work further. Multiple tasks were accomplished with energy and dedication: the repair and polishing of wooden furniture in the labs, library and classrooms, including repair of ceilings wherever required. New tiles and *kota* stones were laid in the corridors; the Principal's room, the committee room, and the staff room were restored and restructured; and the administrative office was refurbished with state-of-the-art devices. Concrete pavements were laid to

prevent water logging problems on the campus. Old electrical wiring was changed with the latest wiring along with a new electric meter and LT panel. A new 90 KW DG set was installed for round-the-clock electric supply in the college. All the laboratories were upgraded with the latest equipment. Improved drinking water facility - another urgent requirement - was tackled at the same time.

As a general requirement in a good institution, signages, provision of ramps and lifts, LCD projectors in class rooms and CCTV cameras were installed. Two new photocopiers were installed, one for the library and the other at the stationary shop near the entry gate, primarily for students. Each department was given its independent room. Students were provided two dedicated spaces for recreation, with Bru Cafe and Mother Diary, in addition to the renovated college cafeteria. The college library was renovated and air-conditioning installed. Shivaji College has a huge collection of books, whose circulation was effectively managed by the newly fitted RFID system.

As the college infrastructure improved, more exciting possibilities came to my mind. The potential was limitless; we now had the facilities and they needed to be put to the best possible use. For intellectual and academic growth to take place in its truest sense, there is a need for holistic development of the students through lively, stimulating activities on campus. For this, the auditorium needed to be upgraded and the College Development Committee rose to the occasion. They renovated the old auditorium into a state-of-the-art auditorium where faculty and students could organise seminars, conferences, workshops and FDPs. This proved to be a great motivation for the staff. Thereafter, all departments started conducting regular academic activities in the auditorium. The rest, as they say, is history!

The college started ascending new academic heights. Soon after I joined, the celebrations for the Golden Jubilee Year of the college came into full swing. The college conducted a number of academic activities throughout the year and culminated grandly in an International Conference on "Science, Spirituality and Humanity: Transcending Discipline Barriers". The enthusiasm shown by the staff and students during the celebration paved the way for success of the college. The Golden Jubilee celebration was a grand success and I was filled with a sense of gratitude for the enthusiasm and cooperation of everyone involved. The conference proved to be a spark for the college to become a hub of academic activity and research excitement. Each department in the college started organising a plethora of academic activities. Through its journey from Golden Jubilee to Diamond Jubilee, the college had organised a number of national and international conferences, workshops and symposia. Many departments carried out research funded by the University of Delhi, ICSSR, UGC, DST, DBT and SERB New Delhi in the years 2015-2020. In the years 2013-16, the college was awarded the highest number of innovation projects by Delhi University. The college supervised 9 innovation projects in 2013-14, and 15 projects in 2015-16 involving students.

We made tremendous inroads into research and innovative learning. The faculty of the college have always been fuelled with a passion for academic exploration and skill enhancement. Training programmes were conducted for teachers and school students to update their knowledge with the latest scientific research skills. The college also started organising DST-sponsored Inspire Science Camp for school students. Imparting skills were not limited to the faculty and students. Soft Skill Training Programmes for Police Constables – one of a kind in Delhi, were conducted. There were administrative and lab skill training programmes for non-teaching staff of the college and the university.

The zeal and enthusiasm for research is reflected in the number of publications that are now brought out, whether it be research articles in national/international journals, or books or chapters in books. In the last decade, publications by faculty members have reached a scale of 428 in the years 2011-2015 and 571 in the period 2015-20. Apart from the college magazine *Shivraj* and the e-newsletter *Shivaji Exclusive*, departments and committees individually bring out their annual publications such as *Biokemi* (Biochemistry), *Optimum* (Commerce), *Shivalik* (Geography), *Arthamanthan* (research journal by Spade), *Srijanatmak Seva* (NSS) and *Career Chronicle* (Placement Cell).



The college was progressing in every field, whether it was in academics or in outreach, sports or extra-curricular activities. A notice came in from the university that every college is required to attain NAAC accreditation. Only 3-4 colleges in the university started the process and Shivaji College was one of them. The fervour to upgrade the institution and provide the best possible facilities was indeed gripping. It was one of the most glorious moments when the college received NAAC Accreditation in 2016. I find it extremely inspiring, having noted through my years as Principal, that every small action creates a ripple effect that leads to more and more accolades. After being awarded “A” Grade by NAAC, top rankings in NIRF and India Today followed. Currently, the college ranks 49th in NIRF. In *Outlook Magazine* - ICARE Ranking 2020 on India's Best Professional Colleges, Shivaji College has been ranked at 30th position all over India. Shivaji College attained in India Today's Rankings 2020 as 28th in Commerce, 32nd position in Sciences and 42nd position in Humanities in India. The college was also granted financial support from DBT, sponsored STAR College Scheme in 2019.

The college underwent some major administrative reforms in recent years. The process was initiated towards digitization of all student administration and accounts systems, such as time table, internal assessment, attendance, annual fee deposit, salary slip and account statements, and many more. There were many other pending tasks. For instance, for almost 20 years, the college provident fund audit had not been conducted properly and for 4 years the college account had not been audited. The accounts section and colleagues lent their expertise and guidance to upgrade the audit and documentation of the college, which is now accurate and at par with any standard institution. Process of physical verification of laboratories, taking stock of the number of equipment, chemicals etc., was started on an annual basis. Every semester, an academic audit is now carried out by the academic coordinators and ensures that the department academic calendar is followed. In this audit, all academic, extra and co-curricular achievements of students and teachers are analysed.

Many facilities for student welfare have been initiated by the college. Each student is issued a WUS health card. The college has insured the students (for a sum of Rs 2,60,000/- under Accidental Life Insurance policy) with National Insurance Company Ltd. for a nominal rate of Rs 100/- per student. The college initiated a fee concession programme for financially weaker students. The college started organising remedial, English speaking and computer classes along with add-on courses for students. A counsellor was arranged for the mental well-being of the students. The college instituted the Student of the Year Award for overall performances (Gold Medal in Science, Humanities and Commerce). The college constituted Equal Opportunity Cell, SC/ST/OBC Cell, North East Counselling Cell and Mentor-Mentee Cell for students. Efforts have been made towards students with special needs, who are provided with free laptops with updated software to enhance learning. A special room was allotted for these students, to carry out their activities.

The campus also came alive with a range of more extra and co-curricular activities. A number of active clubs and societies were formed in addition to the existing ones, such as the Placement Cell, the Entrepreneurship Development Cell, Spade, Enactus, TEDx, and Alumni Relations Cell. With this, each and every student of the college enrolled himself or herself in these clubs. Our students made us proud by their multiple achievements in sports, NCC & Cultural activities. I believe in holistic development of students - all aspects of their personality need to be nurtured and, indeed, it is the responsibility of the institution wherein they have laid their trust.

Initiatives towards gender equality and community outreach became entrenched within the beliefs of the college and all its members. In order to promote women's education, the college gave a relaxation of 3% to 1% to girl applicants in all the courses at the time of admission.

The Women's Development Cell (WDC) has been particularly close to my heart. I have watched the Cell make a heartening contribution towards sensitising the youth towards gender issues. The college instituted the Jijabai Awards in 2009, the first of a kind to be initiated in Delhi University to honour the

work done for empowerment and welfare of women. The WDC brings out a coffee table book every year that documents the stories of the Jijabai Achievers' awardees. It organises self-defence classes, awareness programmes, gender fair, national and international seminars and conferences. The WDC also works in association with the Internal Committee against Sexual Harassment to ensure safety for women and redressal for grievances. A special Women Guard is deployed through the day at the entry gate for the safety of girl students.

Community outreach is an integral value upheld by the college. The role of the NSS unit of Shivaji College has been phenomenal in the last decade. It organised disaster management workshops; “Say No to Polythene” Campaign; and participated in Project Akshar for paper conservation as well as to provide employment to women with disabilities. It organised health camps for the teaching and non-teaching staff, plantation drives, *Khadi Divas*, traffic awareness programme, *Swacchta Pakhwada* drive, campaign against drug addiction, blood donation camps, and collection drives for Raen Basera. NSS team members teach underprivileged children in Raghbir Nagar and some children even procure admissions in formal school after this preliminary support by the volunteers. NSS students also regularly visit destitute homes like Earth Saviours Foundation and Apna Ghar.

Numerous environmental initiatives have been taken up by the college and we have watched the campus transform into invigorating green environs. The college during this period installed paper recycling units, rainwater harvesting pit, vermicomposting pit and Solar Power Panels (SPPs). The college boasts a herbal garden with medicinal plants and a Rock Garden. The campus is Wi-Fi-enabled and is vehicle-free, smoke-free, and “Ragging Free” and is always thriving with academic, cultural, sports and outreach activities.

On a lovely winter morning in February 2020, the new building in the premises was inaugurated, with state-of-the-art labs, classrooms and seminar halls on each floor. The new academic block was named Jijabai Academic Block to commemorate women power.

I have been with my beloved institution through two landmark events - in its journey from Golden Jubilee to Diamond Jubilee. Through this magnificent experience, I have tried to make my humble contribution to the college with the thought of leaving a legacy for the future generations. The process has taught me so much and has made me who I am today. I have had the support and love, as well as invaluable guidance of wise and learned colleagues, friends and non-teaching staff. I would like to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude for the thoughtful support of all the Vice Principals, Convenors, Teachers-in-Charge, Administrative Officers and Bursars during my tenure, who ensured smooth sailing of my journey. I have also faced criticism and I truly appreciate it because that was a further learning experience for me, as only with constructive feedback does one grow as a person.

We cannot forget the contributions of late Dr. S.S. Rana, the former Principal and Dean of colleges, who always supported our efforts. His presence in all important activities of the college boosted our morale to reach the level we are today. We will miss him in all our future celebrations.

As I reflect over my lovely memories at Shivaji, my heart fills with gratitude with the love given to me at my farewell. My colleagues, both teaching and non-teaching, and dear friends from every department participated and came together in those memorable moments. It was the most heartening gift to see the beautiful events, including an unforgettable ghazal night, that they had organised for me.

I will always remember the sheer joy of entering the campus and feeling rejuvenated and enthralled by the beauty within. Whenever evening drew close, and I would stroll around the campus, there were engaging activities taking place everywhere, whether it be a student playing a guitar, others gathered around rehearsing for plays or out in the sports field. There was always laughter, music and activity on campus. All my paths lead back to my beautiful college, and I give my most loving and fond blessings to my college for a sparkling future ahead. Shivaji College, you have many promises yet to keep, and miles to go before you sleep...



## The Principal Reflects...



Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev

It gives me immense pleasure to bring forth the chronicle of Shivaji College, a college built brick by brick with tremendous hard work and perseverance. During the process of the making of this souvenir, I watched chapter after chapter unfold before me, thereby giving me an opportunity to relive the profound history of this institution.

As I reflect on the six decades long journey of my college, pride and awe hold my thoughts. I am humbled at the prospect of following the footsteps of the visionary leaders who preceded me. Each Principal before me dedicated their heart and soul in making the institution that it is today. Each Principal has left an indelible imprint in the history of the college.

The Diamond Jubilee Souvenir chronicles not only the glorious journey Shivaji College has traversed; it also carries the words of wisdom and gratulatory messages from leaders of the state, heads of institutions, retired faculty, and alumni. The pages of this souvenir unfold the remarkable milestones Shivaji College has accomplished since its inception in 1961. The pages bring alive the memories of enduring perseverance and sweet successes - from Silver to Golden to finally Diamond Jubilee. From opening its gates to the young women and men of Matiala in 1961 to being accredited Grade "A" by NAAC, and to being selected for the prestigious DBT-funded Star College Scheme, Shivaji College has made a mark as one of the finest colleges in the university. The noteworthy rankings by NIRF and India Today, the awards and honours conferred upon the college for its best practices and its eco-friendly campus, the construction of Jijabai Academic Block, and so on continue to inspire us and aspire for being one of the top colleges in the country. An institution that has aged gracefully and gained wisdom and experience through both joy and pain, Shivaji College dazzles in its Diamond Jubilee Year.

Since I took over the baton of principalship in March 2020, the COVID 19 pandemic has been threatening the human community globally. There have been moments of discouragement and fear in all of us, yet our persistence and resilience continue to tide us over these trying times. I believed then, and I believe now to seek not less obstacles in life but the will to bear and to overcome the same. The staff and the student community of Shivaji College joined hands with me in transforming the teaching learning ecosystem into one that best suited the COVID era. We transformed into a technologically advanced *tour de force* that heralds a new era of enhanced teaching-learning experience.

With our collective will, we, at Shivaji College, shall face any trying times, come what may. We have prevailed, and we shall prevail.





## Reminiscences

“ फूलों की तरह दिल में बसाए हुए रखना  
यादों के चिरागों को जलाए हुए रखना ”

- Hasan Kamaal



## Former and Present Faculty



(Late) DR. R. S. Bhardwaj  
Retired Faculty  
Department of Economics  
September 1973-January 2013

I feel privileged to be associated with the Department of Economics at Shivaji College, New Delhi.

BA (Hons.) Economics course was introduced in 1971. Since then, the department has been achieving greater and greater heights and thus became the most demanded after campus college admissions.

The department comprises highly brilliant and hardworking teachers. Dr. Santosh Panda, Head of the Department of Economics, Delhi University, had once remarked before the then Principal Dr. Rama Patnaik that "two of our best students are with you". He was referring to Mrs. Anshu Chopra and Mrs. Mamta Datt.

I congratulate all the teachers and students for maintaining high academic standards and wish them a bright future in their endeavours.





Dr. SPS Chauhan  
Department of Zoology  
1969-2008

### A Successful and Historical Journey of Shivaji College

The Government of India organised a World Agriculture Fair in 1957. Shri Panjabrao Deshmukh was the Agriculture Minister at that time. Out of some assets left over from the Fair he decided to establish a college in some rural area of Delhi. He chose Najafgarh for this noble cause. At that time the college was named as WAFM College. The full form was World Agricultural Fair Memorial College. The first Principal appointed was Dr. RK Bhan in 1961. Our college was started in a school building in Village Matiala in 1961. This area is now called Uttamnagar. Dr. Tulsi Ram joined as the Principal here in 1963. He was PhD in English from England. In 1965 our college was shifted to a big school building in Karampura and named as Shivaji College. Here the classes of Science, Arts and Commerce were started.

I joined this college in 1969 in Karampura in Zoology Department as Assistant Lecturer. The pay scales were Rs. 300-600 of Asst. Lecturer. The pay scale of a Lecturer was Rs. 400-800 and no further promotion was given whether you are Ph.D or Litt. or have any other higher qualifications. The University Department teachers had higher pay scales and unlimited opportunities to go abroad and guide Ph.D students. Although we had Ph.D from this University and had better qualifications, we were denied all these facilities in the colleges. Therefore, we teachers formed Staff Associations in different colleges for our rights and to promote our colleges in academics at the university level. At that time, we teachers were young and worked very hard with our students. We decided to send our teachers to represent us at the University level in Delhi University Teachers Association (DUTA) and in Academic & Executive Councils. As a result of this, our college came into limelight at the university level. Shri Prithvi Chand was the Vice-Principal and the teachers of the college convinced him to contest as a Member of the DUTA Executive Committee to bring our college in the limelight at the University level. Later on Shri SP Shukla and Dr. GR Chopra were elected to the Academic Council. Shri DK Mudgal of Physical Education too became a Member of DUTA Executive Committee. In 1981-82, Shri AK Bagrial was elected to DUTA as the Jt. Secretary and DUTA started the Teachers Movement and went on 109 days strike at the University level.

Dr. Tulsi Ram continued as the Principal in Karampura. After him Dr. Rana became the Principal of the College. He was very dynamic and promoted our college at the University level. He later on became the Dean of Colleges of our University. Shri Prithvi Chand ji was the Vice-Principal & Acting Principal many times. Later on Dr. Shashi Nijhawan became Principal of our college. We are also very proud of her. She has brought our college to the top ranking of the University with NAAC Grade 'A' in 2016.

I retired from this college in 2008 as Associate Professor. I have also contributed a little bit for this college. I was Secretary of DUTA from 1983-85 and Member of Academic Council, 1985-89. Further I was elected as the MLA from Moradabad Rural Constituency of Uttar Pradesh in 1993. The teachers had struggled for the pay scales of college teachers and the posts of Prof., Associate Prof. and Asstt. Prof. at the college level (similar to the University level). We organised teachers at the All India level and worked with All India Federation of University & College Teachers Organisation (AIFUCTO) for the revision of pay scales. The DUTA went on strike for 109 days continuously. If there were 110 days it would have been a Zero Session and a year of all the students would have been lost. Sh. MMP Singh was the President and I was the Secretary of DUTA from 1983-85. We visited different universities of the country and formed North, South, East, West and Central Zones to organise teachers of different universities of the country. Slowly the Teachers Movement took an All-India shape due to the strike in different universities. The Chairman of the UGC invited the DUTA, AIFUCTO and representatives of different zones of the universities to solve our problems. He appointed a Committee to look into all our demands starting from the promotion scheme to the pay scales of teachers on all India basis and to implement a Universal Education System. Ultimately we achieved our goal after a long struggle.

We cannot forget some prominent names in this Teachers Movement like Sh. SK Batra, Dr. SS Rathi, Dr. Kiran Walia, Sh. Amar Deo Sharma, Sh. Shujauddin Siddique, Dr. I.M. Kapahy, Dr. Aditya Narain Mishra etc. The legacy of participation in university affairs was continued by our Teachers after us. Dr. KK Malik of Chemistry, Dr. Surender Singh Rana of Pol. Sc., Dr. Virender Bhardwaj of Hindi, Dr. Mahendra Kumar Meena of Chemistry, and Sh. Gaurav Goel of Physical Education were elected to the Academic Council. Dr. Virender Bhardwaj was elected twice to the DUTA Executive Committee and was Secretary from 1999 to 2001. Now Sh. Rajinder Singh of Commerce is the Secretary of DUTA.

We all the teachers and students are greatly indebted to our great institution Shivaji College. Our seniors inspired us to devote time in the college and with the students. Our students and teachers are all over the world as great scientists and doctors. Dr. Rakesh Seth was BSc Hons. in Zoology and is Professor in the Deptt. Of Zoology, University of Delhi. Dr. Rajbir Solanki is our old student. He was the Principal of Ambedkar College of our University. Later on he was Vice-Chancellor of Ch. Ranbir Singh University at Hissar and at Ch. Devi Lal Univ. Many of our students are teachers in different colleges of our university. Our faculty member of Pol. Sc. Dr. BS Dalal was a Visiting Scientist at Tokyo University in Japan. I was Senior Fulbright Scholar at the University of California at Davis & Berkeley in 1990-91 working on Invasive Behaviour of Cancer Cells. Dr. BR Sethi was Alexander von Humboldt Scholar at Braunschweig University in Germany. Dr. Tejbir Rana of Geography Deptt. is working on Rain Water Harvesting Programs in Rajasthan Districts. He is also an Observer in Tehri Hydel Corporation Programs and Afforestation in Garhwal Districts. Dr. Amarjiva Lochan is Associate Professor of History. He has been an expert on the affairs of South East Asian Studies, Buddhism, and Religion. He has been appointed as an Advisor of the foreign students of Delhi University. One of our colleagues Dr. Ms. Luxmi Devi from Botany Department was appointed as the Principal in Shahid Rajguru College of Applied Sciences of University Of Delhi. One of our teachers, Dr. Shama Mitra Chenoy of History Department, has a lot of interest in dance, drama and music programs and encourages students to participate in these activities. She has been working on myriad facets of Delhi from the Medieval to the Modern Period. She has specialised in the History of Shahjahanabad from the 17th to 18th Century. She has published many books, articles in newspapers and many research papers. Dr. Babita Gupta is Assoc. Prof. in Maths. in our college. She has done BSc. (Gen.) Maths, Physics and Computer Sc. in 1994 from our college, MSc. and Ph.D from DU in 2003. She has published many research papers.

One of our students Dr. A.K. Singh is Dir. Gen. of Life Sciences in DRDO (Defence Research & Development Organisation). One of our Students of 1974 batch of BSc (Gen.) Biology, Dr. Pushp Lata Pande (Tripathi) has just retired as Pro Vice -Chancellor of IP University. Dr. Satwanti Kapoor is of BSc (Gen.) Biology of 1972 batch and later on did her MSc. & Ph.D from Anthropology Deptt. of Delhi University. She was Provost & Proctor & Warden in hostels of our university. Her elder brother Dr. Mahavir Singh was of 1971 Batch BSc (Gen.) Biology of our college and did his MSc. from our University and went to Germany for Ph.D & is Prof. of Genetics at Braunschweig University, Germany. Both of them are from a remote Village Dhasa near Najafgarh. Dr. Binod Kumar was our BSc Zoology Hons. student of 2001 batch. Although he is from a village and from SC Category, he was a topper of BSc & MSc of our university. At present he is Senior Scientist at Loyola University at



Chicago working on influenza and Covid virus. Dr. Dharmendra Rathour and Dr. Chandan Sinha are of BSc Zoology (Hons.) of 1990 batch of our college. They did their MSc. From DU and PhD from USA and are prominent scientists in the USA. One of our students Dr. Anshul Shukla is of 1998 Batch of BSc (Hons.) in Biochemistry. He was MSc from PGI (Chandigarh). Subsequently he went to the USA and did PhD from Univ. Of Illinois, Chicago and Post Doctoral from Harvard Univ. At present he is working on Stem Cells in Cancer treatment. Dr. Anshul Shukla is a proud son of our colleague Sh. SP Shukla Of English Department. Another of our students Dr. Pawan Raghav when he was in BSc (Gen.) Biology 3rd Year had some arguments with our colleague Sh. PR Chaddha at the college photocopy shop. He was suspended from entering the college. His parents came and requested the Proctorial Board to allow him to attend the practical classes. I was the Chief Proctor and requested all the members stating that he is our good student and has first division marks in the last two years but of no avail. The Principal of Deen Dayal Upadhyay College was known to me and I went to him and requested him to allow Pawan Raghav to attend Zoology, Botany and Chemistry Practicals. He attended the practicals and obtained first division with very good marks. Subsequently he did his Masters in Zoology with distinction. His next goal in life was to do a PhD. Again I approached my former student Dr. AK Singh, the DG of DRDO at present. Ultimately, Pawan did his PhD from DRDO and published some outstanding research papers from DRDO and ICMR (Indian Council for Medical Research). Now he is in Germany and is working on Stem Cells. I have written so much about this incident just to tell that bad times can come in anyone's life and the word “pardon” is great. It can turn the worst to great.

Now we come to our students who have been leaders at the college or the university level. Sh. Manmohan Khanna, Sh. Mahesh Malhotra, Sh. Om Prakash Wadhwa, who was later on Councillor from Subhash Nagar, Sh. Amarjit Singh Gona were the oldest student leaders when the college was at Matiala. Later on Sh. Arjun Kumar, Sh. Ajay Chikara, Sh. Gaurav Tushi, Sh. RP Malik, Sh. KK Malik, Sh. Vijender Singh became the President of the Union. Sh. Subhash Bajaj was the first Science student to be elected as President of Students Union of our College in 1980.

Later on Sh. Ajay Pande was elected as President in 1999. At present he is involved in many social activities at the National level. Sh. Rohit Chaudhary was President of the College Union in 2001 and later on became Secretary and President of Students Union of DU. He was President of NSUI and is a prominent youth Congress Leader. Sh. Pritam Singh Dagar was a Middleweight Wrestler from our college who represented DU and Delhi State from 1975-1980. Later on he was elected as Municipal Councillor from Nazafgarh from 1981-86. Sh. Kuldeep Dagar was President of College Students Union in 1986-87. He was elected Municipal Councillor from Najafgarh Zone from 2007 to 2012. He was elected as Dy. Chairman and Chairman during this period. Sh. Rajesh Garg was a very prominent student leader of our college. He was elected as President in 1984-85 of our Students Union. He wanted to install the statue of Shivaji Maharaj at the place where it is there at present from the funds voluntarily collected from the college staff and the students. The authorities opposed it. He sat on a hunger strike against the Principal and the college authorities. No one paid any attention. We teachers decided to support the students for this noble cause. We sat on strike in the Staff Room. The classes were completely shut down. Ultimately the college authorities agreed to our demands and the statue was installed at the same site. Later Sh. Rajesh Garg was elected as MLA in 2013 from AAP. At present he is involved in social activities from Rohini Area. Smt. Rakhi Birla did her graduation in Arts from our college. She is elected as Councillor from Mangolpuri and was Minister in the present AAP Govt. Now she is Dy. Speaker in the present AAM AADMI Party Government.

Two of our students Captain Haneefudin and Captain Sumeet Roy sacrificed their lives in the Kargil War in 1998 for the country. I am a proud teacher to have taught Zoology in BSc (Gen.) to our dear and obedient student Captain Haneefuddin. He was very regular and attentive in the class. Shivaji College, the University of Delhi and the whole country feel very proud for the supreme sacrifice of both of them for our Motherland —“Bharatvarsh”.

Now I come to the sports activities and the laurels brought by our sports students for the college. The first Director of Physical Education (DPE) of the College was Sh. DK Mudgal. He was also known as Sh. Daya Kishan Sharma. He belonged to a small village known as Chhara in District Jhajjar (Haryana). Since he had a village background, he used to interact in fluent Haryanvi language with the sports students and produced some outstanding sportsmen from our college.

Our college was known to have famous and outstanding wrestlers and volleyball players. The famous volleyball players were Sh. Mahender Solanki, Sh. Ram Kumar Yadav, Sh. Kulbir Singh, a famous national coach, Sh. Pramod Rana, Sh. Rakesh Beniwal and Sh. Dhaneshwar Sharma who is now IG in BSF. Sh. Pritam Singh Dagar was a well known wrestler from Village Malikpur and was in 48 kg wt. (Pin or light wt. category) and the college was champion from 1966 to 69 in DU and in Inter- University and Delhi State Tournaments. Sh. Mauji Ram was DU champion in Fly Wt.(52 Kg). Sh. Ram Chander was a very famous wrestler and was known for many years as Ram Chander Pahelwan of 'Shivajiwala'. He was in Feather wt. category. He was Captain of our wrestling team from 1966 to 1969 and brought many laurels for our College. Other well known Heavyweight Champions were Sh. Raghuvendar and his younger brother Yogender from the village Mitrao. Other well known wrestlers were Sh. Surajmal, Sh. Ram Kumar and Sh. Taareef Singh. Sh. Rajiv Vats won many medals in High Jump between 1981-84. The first out campus cricketer was selected from our college. His name was Sh. Kamalendra Chauhan who played under the Captaincy of the famous test cricketer Sh. Mohinder Amarnath who won the All-India Inter-University Rohinton Baria Trophy. The credit for all this goes to Sh. DK Mudgal. He was elected two times as Member of Academic Council and two times Member of DUTA Executive Committee and raised voice for the recognition of Director of Physical Education (DPE) as teachers equivalent to lecturers pay scales and position as lecturer. Ultimately he achieved it by going on strike in the colleges and in the university. All the teachers supported this issue in DUTA, Academic Council and Executive Council. Sh. Mudgal was Vice-President of Delhi Volleyball Fed. and Member of Volleyball Fed. of India since 1970. He was appointed as Technical Manager of Volleyball in 1982 Asian Games. From 1986-89, he was on deputation as Director of Sports, University Of Delhi. DU won the Maulana Azad Trophy in Inter- University Tournaments for three consecutive years. Unfortunately, he left us for heavenly abode in 1996 before his retirement. Now Sh. Gaurav Goel is the in-charge of Deptt. of Physical Education. A post of lady teacher has also been created to promote the active participation of the girl students.

When the college was at Karampura, an All India Volleyball Tournament was started by the college. Our college won the trophy many times. After the death of Sh. DK Mudgal this tournament was named after him. Another important decision taken by the Sports Board was to start an Inter-College Teacher and karamchari Cricket Tournament at the University level. The sports loving teachers like Dr. DC Sharma, Sh. LP Sharma, Dr. Dharampal, Dr. Pradeep Ganguly, Dr. Sidhu, Sh. RK Mohan took a lot of initiative in this proposal apart from Sh. SP Shukla, Dr. Pramod Sagar, Sh. DK Mudgal and myself. My younger brother Sh. Chetan Chauhan, Test Cricketer, when he came to Delhi from Poona in 1974, used to come to our college ground at Karampura to practice in the evening.

Now I come to the development of gardens and sports grounds at Karampura and the present site of the college at Raja Garden. The greatest contribution for this goes to Dr. Pramod Sagar, Sh. SP Shukla of English Deptt. and Sh. DK Mudgal. All the plantations of different flowering varieties of herbs, shrubs and trees were selected by them from purchasing the seeds to the roping and growing them at appropriate places in the college campus. At Karampura they were assisted by the Groundsman Sh. Bhagwati Prasad and later on by Sh. Balbir Singh at Raja Garden. Last but not least was the formation of the Alumni Association of Shivaji College. The teachers and students decided to involve old, new and future students to participate in the progress of our institution under the patronage of our senior teachers and students to guide the future of the college to the highest level of academics and career of our students. The present article has shown the achievements of our students who are spread all over the world in different spheres of life. The senior students have opened an account where they can deposit some finances for the benefit of the future of bright students of our institution.

With all my best wishes,

**Dr. SPS CHAUHAN**  
**Rtd. Associate Professor**  
**Deptt. of Zoology**  
**Shivaji College.**





Dr. Parmod Sagar  
Vice Principal (Former) and Associate Professor, Physics  
Shivaji College  
July 1969 - December 2012

I am deeply humbled and honored to share the experiences of my benevolent phase of teaching in Shivaji College. Drawing upon a teacher's own life experiences can help students learn and understand, but most importantly, it can help build relationships in life in addition to the career. The Diamond Jubilee Year of the college rekindles in me the wonderful memory when I joined the college in 1969 as an Assistant Lecturer in Physics. The college was based in Karampura then. I was twenty one and a half when I joined the college, with a potential shaped by the confidence instilled in me by Dr. Mela Ram, a retired professor from DU. I had much to gain from conversations with and observations of experienced professors who were willing to share their ideas about teaching. My engagement with students initially at pre-medical level was very fruitful. I witnessed the resounding success with which more than 70% of the students qualified for the medical entrance. Later, at BSc(H) level, students' performance in the university was excellent due to the efforts of my colleagues in the Department of Physics.

At the initial stage of my career, I met Mr. Pradeep Ganguly, a lecturer in Economics, whose association helped in communicating well with people and inspired me to learn Economics to such an extent that I enrolled in the PG Program of Economics at Delhi School of Economics.

I had realized that students respond to the personal touch. They want to be inspired, encouraged, and challenged. A holistic approach resonates well among students. Holistic development of the students became my approach to professional life. I initiated my teaching years on the solid ground of such responsibilities and faith that these revered people had placed upon me. I participated earnestly in all facets of the college: sports, discipline, students' union, college time table, cultural society, debates, and other such co-curricular activities. I truly believed in the value of these aspects whilst building the character of our college students. This earned me an earnest and mutual love and respect from my students; it ensured that the bond I nurtured with them lasts beyond the defined time and space of college. Despite being placed in the reputable fields of law, police, administration, health sector, music etc., my students harness the effort to remain in touch with me and knit me furthermore into a better and better human being with each passing day. The fabric of my essence and my being has been diligently knitted by the strands of students from varied courses, and the texture is such that I cherish it with each passing breath.

The cultural awareness that Dr. Vijay Mohan and I tried to inculcate among the students enabled not only them but also us in locating the potential our college could attain at various levels. I observed the blooming of students, and its aroma around us.

I had a fantastic experience of working with Sh. S. P. Shukla from English Department; his breadth of knowledge blew me away and sparked a passion for learning. He was a straightforward person and was so passionate about debates, sports, and gardening that I ventured into the terrain of gardening, which has taught me a way to attain peace and love in the world. Nature has a method and its art ennobled us in such a manner that the two of us laid the design of the college garden, which eventually won the Best Garden Award in 1996, 1999 and 2000. Greenery and color became the hallmark of the college. My association with him inspired me to inculcate true debating spirit in our students as well. I am truly indebted to him.

Sh. D. K. Mudgil embraced me with a sportsman spirit and I took a basketball training course at NIS, Patiala in 1971. It benefitted me immensely as I trained the college teams for diverse tournaments at the university and national levels. The passion and untiring efforts of Mudgil, S. P. Shukla, Parmod Sagar, SPS Chauhan for the development of sports in the college, particularly in the field of volleyball and wrestling, helped the college attain a formidable position in the university. It became the hub of volleyball. The college continued to retain the top position and a very large number of our players represented the university: to name a few, Bal Kishan, Chhavi Narain, Ajay Yadav, R.S. Tyagi, Rajvinder Singh Malik, and many more in volleyball; and Umed Singh, Sagar Mal and many more in wrestling. His wonderful nature was enviable.

My gratitude towards Dr S. S. Rana shall always be of sublimity and humility. His attitude towards life was benevolent. He expressed this when he recommended me as an expert in Physics to go to Bhutan on deputation in 1986, the best tenure of my life. It was his faith in me that I could assemble such a thriving NSS group in the college to help the society in the bigger picture. Our contribution in flood affected areas in 1978 and in the construction of a school at Ladpur in Bawana was inestimable. The college NSS unit earned a heartfelt appreciation from Sh. Morarji Desai, the Prime Minister of India in 1978. Such achievements earned me an opportunity of being the program coordinator at NSS Delhi University in 1995. I am truly indebted to Dr S. S. Rana for the confidence he placed in me and the support provided to me.

I met some of the smartest, kindest, and the most loving human beings in Dr Tulsi Ram, Dr RD Mishra, Sh Prithvi Chand, Sh. RK Mohan, Dr R K Vasishtha , Sh G. N. Singhal, Sh L. P. Sharma, Sh. Dhananjay Sharma, Dr KS Sangwan, Mrs. Urmil Sharma, Mrs. Renu Malhotra, Miss Santosh Duggal, and Sh M.S. Tyagi to name a few. They were incredibly open-minded and sensitive to the students who came from different backgrounds and with unique needs. Their enthusiasm was infectious. This helped me learn how to bond with each other and to take up responsibilities at various levels in my life.

In 1979, the staff and the students, under the leadership of Dr. Rana, displayed a rare show of unity and maturity when they helped in getting the college ground vacated from illegal occupancy done by some religious groups. RP Malik, the then President of the student union, exhibited a rare quality of leadership. Such a moment in the history of a college was a very rare occurrence; however, the sheer will and determination of the entire college community gave impetus to the movement to drive out illegal encroachment. Eventually, the law ruled in favour of the college, the legitimate party. It became the content of various case studies of students' movement as well.

I ventured towards Japan to pursue my PhD in 2004. It instilled me with such self confidence and my time there accentuated my experiences. Those years gave me more depth and content when I returned to my students. My experiences enabled me to ensure that students explore the truth of Physics with imagination and compassion. My knowledge of Physics facilitated



me in understanding the patterns that are all around us. Reality for me has been to gain a better understanding of how things and people maintain their functionality. The function that I unconsciously chose for myself was that of correlation to understand and admire how the theoretical aspects of our various subjects correlate with diverse aspects of reality that surrounds us in our daily routine.

It was interesting to meet Sh. Ved Prakash Bhamba, a 1961 batch student holding a state record of 11 seconds in 100 meters, representing Delhi University in volleyball, with seven members of his family in two generations as Shivajians. His children exhibited a brilliant commitment to the college.

I was appointed the Vice Principal of the college and the most challenging task of internal assessment of students was resolved with the cooperation of all, in addition to other problems in the college, for which I am very thankful to all my teaching and nonteaching colleagues.

The bond with the students reaped in such an aesthetic manner that they wished to formalize it in 2000 as an Alumni Club of Shivajians. The main objective of this club was to promote fellowships for those students who direly need financial assistance to pursue their academic goals. The Amar Kaur Trophy was instituted to acknowledge academic and co-curricular talents amongst the student community. Enthusiastic cooperation was received from its *alumni*. The coming together of the old and the new in the garden of my life extended the metaphor of nurturing for me. The air I breathe each passing day is filled with the aroma of what has been expressed in my life by my association with Shivaji College. I shall forever wish to provide shade, shelter and fruits of my own wisdom to those who shall be in need. As a teacher and mentor, my purpose of life has attained a benevolent moment of sublimity through the love, patience and utmost respect I have reaped from Shivaji College. There was so much I had not realized I was missing when I was in college. My retirement helped me look for deeper meaning within the college.

I wish to convey that college life - as student or as faculty - is all about exploration and discovery. Get involved on campus through volunteer work or social awareness activities you are passionate about. Being young is all about changing the world and making your voice matter. Strive to be critical, to be conscious of the way the power dynamics of race, class, gender, and other categories operate. This shall help produce one's identity and consciousness and offer them to see from a fresh perspective.



Prof. Pradeep Ganguly  
Department of Economics  
July 1974 -August 1976

Hello, Shivaji College! Diamond Jubilee, already? Wow! To me it seems like only yesterday when I taught at Shivaji College. You are still very young in my memory. You taught and shaped me for who I am today. I still belong to you, and you still belong to me.

I joined Shivaji College as a Lecturer of Economics in 1968, fresh out of DSE. I fondly remember Principal Tulsi Ram, and my Economics faculty – Dharam Pal, N.K. Sharma, R. S. Bhardwaj, Virender Kaur, and Renu Malhotra, among others. I learnt from them all. I was also close to many of the science faculty – notably, Pramod Sagar, SPS Chauhan, Ravi Khaneja and Dr. S.K Nayyar (my mentor), and our beloved DP – D.K. Sharma. I proudly say that Shivaji shaped me to be successful.

I think my best days at Shivaji were from 1972-76, when I became the teacher-in-charge, coached the cricket and football (soccer) teams, and played tennis with Dharam Pal, D.C. Sharma and L.P. Sharma. During those four years I taught, in my view, the most wonderful batch of students. I still long to meet the faculty and student body of those four years.

In recent years, I have made new friends at Shivaji. The amazing Economics faculty – Anshu Chopra, Iti Dandona, Mamta Datt, Sumit S. Raheja, Suman Kharbanda (Commerce), and the new recruits – as I work with them on the P.C. Ganguly Memorial Scholarships and academic projects. I love meeting them every time I visit India (and have lunch).

In 1976, I came to the U.S. to pursue my Ph.D. in Applied Economics. I taught at several U.S. colleges and universities, before finding my niche in Economic Development. I became the Chief Economist, Director of Research, and Director of Economic Development, and I continued to learn at the Harvard Kennedy School. In 2019, I was honored with the “Hall of Fame” award from the Maryland Economic Development Association.

I am still a Shivajian, and going *SHIVAJI strong*. I work as Chief Strategy Officer for a couple of technology companies, play golf regularly, cook, travel and spend time with my family.





**Dr. Anuradha Mal**  
Associate Professor, Department of Botany  
Convener, Diamond Jubilee Committee

Sixty years is but a short time in the history of an institution when compared to many centuries that many leading educational institutions of the world have endured. Still, in these short 60 years, Shivaji College has proven to be a leading institute of India.

During this time the college has provided quality education to thousands of students. The infrastructure and facilities in the college are improving by leaps and bounds. It is noteworthy that there is a great emphasis on academic as well as extracurricular activities that shape the overall personality of students. Several alumni of the college are employed in various fields and are providing their valuable services to the society.

As convener of the Diamond Jubilee Committee, I have been fortunate to coordinate the events of the year. The gusto with which my colleagues and students have come together in putting together the landmark events of the Diamond Jubilee Year, even as the pandemic rages, demonstrates the indomitable spirit Shivaji College stands for. I extend my greetings and best wishes to all teaching and nonteaching staff, students and alumni of the college on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee Year.



**Prof. Shama Mitra Chenoy**  
Department of History

I regard myself as extremely fortunate to be part of the narrative of success of Shivaji College. To watch an institution evolve is to see the fruition of hope, the eternal feeling that makes humankind move forward and

progress. The college has made great strides in every field, from academics to extra-curricular engagements, from infrastructure to aesthetics. Other than imparting education the institution pursues best practices which makes students aware citizens, and provides them with innumerable opportunities. The verdurous campus exudes a spiritual aura. With the elation I feel in this diamond jubilee year, I wish luck to the college and the people who will be part of its great centenary celebrations.



**Prof. Rashmi Wardhan**  
Department of Biochemistry  
Convener, IQAC

Celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of Shivaji College is a matter of great pride for all of us. I extend my heartiest wishes on the accomplishment of this milestone.

Shivaji College works toward enhancing quality higher education and has developed mechanisms for consistent and catalytic improvement of overall college performance. The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Shivaji College has contributed tremendously in quality assurance over the past decade.

The Diamond Jubilee Year 2020-2021 has been particularly a remarkable year. The IQAC has fuelled two noteworthy initiatives this year: the Centre for Promotion of Inclusivity (CFPI) and Vidya Vistar Scheme (VVS). The CFPI was instituted to address the gaps in our perception of persons from different gender, class, and of different abilities and sexualities and so on. It is aimed towards strengthening inclusivity among students in the classroom, on campus, and beyond. The college, with the initiative of the IQAC, became part of the prestigious Vidya Vistar Scheme of the University of Delhi. The scheme is based on the principle of mutual sharing of expertise, knowledge, experience, and library resources between two educational institutions as equal partners. Recently we have partnered with three colleges: Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College (formerly known as Sikkim Government College), Tadong, Gangtok, Sikkim; DAV College, Muzaffarnagar (UP); and Himalayan Degree College, Rajouri (J&K).

The IQAC has also supported the College Research Cell in its initiative to offer financial assistance for innovative research by faculty and students. Under this scheme, the college has provided thirty thousand rupees to selected innovative projects. The IQAC supports every initiative in the college that goes into making this institution one of the premier colleges in the University of Delhi.

I congratulate the Diamond Jubilee Committee for its enduring initiatives through the year and for bringing out this souvenir. The souvenir unfolds the 60 years of remarkable journey and I am proud to be one with all my colleagues in commemorating this event





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वो U स्पेशल और साढ़े बारह रूपए के पास का जमाना था। कॉलेजों में युवाओं में 'जीन' पहनने का प्रचलन शुरू हो रहा था। क्रिकेट विश्वकप जीतने की खुमारी अभी भारत के सर चढ़ कर बोल रही थी। मैंने 1985 की गर्मियों में कॉलेज—दर—कॉलेज घूम—घूम कर फॉर्म भरे थे। शिवाजी कॉलेज मेरे पैतृक निवास का सबसे निकटवर्ती दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय का कॉलेज था। मैंने कई कैम्पस कॉलेजों को छोड़ कर शिवाजी कॉलेज में हिन्दी आनर्स में दाखिला लिया था। डॉ० सूबे सिंह राणा उस समय हमारे प्रिंसिपल थे। डॉ० सुखबीर सिंह हिन्दी विभाग के टीचर—इन—चार्ज थे।

शिवाजी कॉलेज प्राचार्य डॉ० राणा के नेतृत्व में आगे बढ़ रहा था। डॉ० राणा और श्री डी.के. मुद्गल छात्रों से सीधे रूबरू होते थे, कई बार तो छात्रों की पिटाई भी कर देते थे। मौका मिलते ही डॉ० राणा हमारी हिन्दी की खाली कक्षा में घुसकर खुद पढ़ाना शुरू कर देते थे। भला ज़माना था। छात्र—शिक्षक रिश्ता बहुत गहरे भरोसे पर टिका था। शिवाजी कॉलेज छात्र—राजनीति और उनके बीच में उभरते 'टकराव' के लिए भी मशहूर था। नरेन्द्र टण्डन और राजेश गर्ग, पंकज खन्ना, अजय माकन उस ज़माने के बड़े छात्र नेता थे। पढ़ाई—लिखायी पर काफी ध्यान था। 1988 आते—आते शिवाजी कॉलेज में डॉ० आर. डी. मिश्रा (हिन्दी विभाग) के रूप में पहली सेवा निवृत्ति हो चुकी थी। शिवाजी कॉलेज ने— 1986—87 का वर्ष 'सिल्वर जुबली इयर' के रूप में बड़े कार्यक्रमों के साथ मनाया था। एक छात्र के रूप में हम डॉ० प्रमोद सागर, डॉ० विजय मोहन, डॉ० जय गोपाल के नेतृत्व में अनेक गतिविधियों में सक्रिय थे। स्टॉफ रूम के बाहर शिवाजी के स्टेच्यू के पास एक गोल कमरा हमारी छात्र—गतिविधियों का अड्डा होता था। 1988 में जब मैंने ग्रेज्यूएशन की डिग्री हासिल की तो डॉ० राणा ने मुझे स्टेज पर ही गले—लगाकर शाबासी दी थी 'कि हमारी स्टूडेंट यूनियन में सक्रिय रहे बच्चे कॉलेज टॉपर भी होने लगे हैं'। इसी दौर में शिवाजी कॉलेज के प्राचार्य डॉ० एस एस राणा दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के डीन—ऑफ कॉलेजिज पद पर आसीन हुए थे।

1988 के बाद लगभग 2002 में डॉ० रमा पटनायक के स्थायी प्राचार्य के पद पर नियुक्त होने से पहले कॉलेज के कई शिक्षकों ने एक्टिंग/ऑफिसिएटिंग प्रिंसिपल के रूप में कार्य किया। जिनमें डॉ० चान्द, डॉ० आर. के. मोहन, डॉ० वेद अदलखा, डॉ० सत्य प्रकाश, डॉ० दिनेश यादव, डॉ० धर्मपाल आदि प्रमुख थे।

1995 में डॉ० वेद अदलखा के ज़माने में डॉ० जी. आर. चोपड़ा का सिक्का चलता था। उसी दौर में — डॉ० अनिता कपूर, डॉ० दुबे, डॉ० रुचिरा, डॉ० वीरेन्द्र भारद्वाज, डॉ० शिव कुमार सहदेव, डॉ० शमा मित्रा चिनाय, डॉ० मुकेश कुमार, डॉ० साहू, श्री गौरव गोयल आदि शिक्षकों ने कॉलेज ज्वायन किया। उस समय की स्टॉफ कौंसिल/स्टॉफ एसोशिएशन मीटिंग्स इतनी बहु आयामी और चुनौतीपूर्ण होती थी कि उस पर एक अलग उपन्यास लिखा जा सकता है। शिवाजी कॉलेज का यह जद्दोजहद का समय था। डॉ० रमा पटनायक ने जब कॉलेज के स्थायी प्राचार्य के रूप में कार्य भार संभाला तो कॉलेज जाने अनजाने एक बहुत बड़े संघर्ष में उलझता चला गया। डॉ० पी.डी. शर्मा, डॉ० धनंजय शर्मा, डॉ० जय गोपाल, डॉ० त्रियुग सिंह, डॉ० एस.पी. शुक्ला, डॉ० एस.पी.एस. चौहान, डॉ० एस.एस. राणा, डॉ० शिव कुमार, डॉ० वीरेन्द्र भारद्वाज आदि के साथ लगभग पूरा कॉलेज संघर्षरत था।

2009 में डॉ० शशि निझावन के प्राचार्य पद संभालने के बाद शिवाजी कॉलेज ने एक नयी करवट बदली। लम्बे संघर्ष के बाद लगभग सभी शिक्षक कॉलेज की उन्नति में जी—जान से जुट गए। हमने जब NAAC में सबसे पहले A ग्रेड प्राप्त किया तो लोगों को विश्वास नहीं हुआ। लेकिन ग्राउण्ड जीरो पर शिक्षक—कर्मचारी—छात्रों की शैक्षणिक यात्रा निरंतर जारी थी। हमें सबसे अधिक इनोवेशन प्रोजेक्ट मिले थे। कलचरल एक्टिविटीज अपने उफान पर थी। खेल के क्षेत्र में हमारा ग्राउण्ड दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के गिने चुने कॉलेजों में शुमार हुआ। शैक्षणिक गतिविधियों के साथ—साथ अन्य गतिविधियों में भी शिवाजी कॉलेज ने अकादमिक जगत में झण्डे गाड़े थे। उस समय की अकेडमिक कौंसिल में शिवाजी कॉलेज का झण्डा बुलंद था। जीजाबाई अवॉर्ड की स्थापना तथा नयी बिल्डिंग का जीजा बाई ब्लॉक के रूप में नाम करण करना इस दौर की विशेष उपलब्धि रही।

डॉ० शशि निझावन के रिटायरमेंट के बाद डॉ० शिव कुमार सहदेव ने डॉ० अनिता कपूर से वाईस प्रिंसिपल का कार्य भार संभाला और वर्तमान में ऑफिसिएटिंग प्रिंसिपल के रूप में कार्य कर रहे हैं। डॉ० सहदेव ने कोरोना काल की विकट परिस्थितियों में कॉलेज को पूरी तरह से टैक्नो फ्रेंडली बनाने पर ज़ोर दिया। शिवाजी कॉलेज में दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय प्रशासन के सहयोग से 100 से अधिक शिक्षकों की पदोन्नति की। इंटरनेट और टैक्नोलॉजी के क्षेत्र में कॉलेज स्तर पर नए से नए प्रयोग हुए। कॉविड—19 की समस्या से जुझते हुए कॉलेज में सबसे पहले वैक्सीनेशन सेंटर बनाया। डायमंड जुबली कार्यक्रमों की श्रृंखला में कई विश्वविद्यालयों के वाईस चॉन्सलर शामिल हुए। वर्तमान में मेरे मित्र डॉ० सहदेव के नेतृत्व में कॉलेज निरन्तर प्रगति पथ पर नई बुलंदियों की ओर अग्रसर है।

एक छात्र से लेकर शिक्षक के रूप में सिल्वर जुबली से लेकर डायमंड जुबली तक की इस यात्रा में मैं शामिल रहा हूँ। इस अवसर पर मैं अपने सभी सहयोगियों, छात्रों सहित पूरे शिवाजी कॉलेज परिवार के उज्ज्वल भविष्य की कामना करता हूँ।

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**अभी तो उनसे कह दो, कि हमं सफ़र में है।**





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शिवाजी कॉलेज मेरे लिए एक शैक्षणिक संस्थान ही नहीं है, बल्कि मेरी जिंदगी की इमारत को गढ़ने का एक आधार स्तंभ है, मजबूत बुनियाद है। मेरे लिए यह गौरव और सम्मान की बात है कि जिस महाविद्यालय में मैंने शिक्षा प्राप्त की, आज उसी कॉलेज में प्रोफेसर जैसे सम्मानजनक एवं प्रतिष्ठित पद पर कार्य कर रहा हूँ।

मेरा शिवाजी कॉलेज से सम्बंध सन् 1994 से है। जब मैंने शिवाजी कॉलेज में बी.ए. हिंदी विशेष, प्रथम वर्ष पाठ्यक्रम में दाखिला लिया था। यद्यपि तुलनात्मक रूप से उन दिनों दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के तमाम कॉलेजों में शिवाजी कॉलेज की कोई खास छवि नहीं थी। मैं पटेल नगर के पास ही एक छोटी कॉलोनी में रहता था। चूँकि शिवाजी कॉलेज मेरे घर से ज्यादा दूर नहीं था। मैं मोती नगर के सरकारी स्कूल से बारहवीं पास की। उसी स्कूल के मेरे कुछ मित्रों ने भी शिवाजी कॉलेज में दाखिला लिया था, इसलिए मैंने भी यहीं पर दाखिला लेना ठीक समझा। उस जमाने में रैगिंग को लेकर बहुत से विद्यार्थियों में एक फोबिया रहता था, वह मुझमें भी था। खैर, शिवाजी कॉलेज के तीन वर्ष निःसंदेह मेरी जिंदगी के सबसे स्वर्णिम वर्ष रहे। कॉलेज के मित्र, कॉलेज में बिताया समय, लेक्चर, कैंटीन में बिताए हुए पल, कॉलेज लॉन में मित्रों साथ के लंबी गप्पबाजी, खेल का मैदान आदि अनेकानेक ऐसी चीजें हैं, जो आज भी जस की तस स्मृतियों में बनी हुई हैं। ऐसी तमाम यादें आज भी मेरे जेहन में जिंदा हैं। जिन्हें कभी नहीं भूल सकता। मैं बहुत पढ़ाकू किस्म का विद्यार्थी नहीं था, क्रिकेट और खेलकूद का जुनून ऐसा था कि दिन भर खेलता रहता था। लेकिन जितनी देर पढ़ाई करता पूरे मन से पढ़ता। स्नातक और स्नातकोत्तर में मैं अपने बैच का कॉलेज टॉपर था। स्नातक और स्नातकोत्तर उपाधि शिवाजी कॉलेज से ही प्राप्त की थी।

यह सच है कि विधाता ने आपके जीवन की क्या दिशा तय कर रखी है, इसे कोई नहीं जान पाता। मुझे भी क्या पता था कि जिस कॉलेज से मैंने पढ़ाई की, वहीं पर मुझे विद्यार्थियों को पढ़ाने का अवसर प्राप्त होगा।

आज से लगभग 19 साल पहले फरवरी 2002 में मैंने कॉलेज में तदर्थ प्राध्यापक के रूप में पढ़ाना शुरू किया था। उस समय कॉलेज के प्रिंसिपल डॉ.धर्मपाल जी थे। हिंदी विभाग के प्रभारी और मेरे शिक्षक डॉ. वीरेंद्र नाथ मिश्र के द्वारा मेरी नियुक्ति हुई थी। विभाग में डॉ. वी. एन. मिश्र जी, डॉ. उषाकांता चतुर्वेदी जी, डॉ. कुमुद शर्मा जी, डॉ. रुचिरा ढींगरा जी तथा डॉ. वीरेंद्र भारद्वाज जी, जो मेरे शिक्षक रहे थे, उनका विभागीय सहयोगी बन गया। उसके बाद शिवाजी कॉलेज में डॉ.एस.पी.एस. चौहान जी, डॉ. प्रमोद सागर जी, डॉ. जी.पी. मिश्र जी, डॉ. शिव कुमार सहदेव जी, कुछ ऐसे वरिष्ठ शिक्षक रहे, जिनके व्यक्तित्व तथा कार्य शैली ने मुझे बेहद प्रभावित किया। आज भी मुझे इन सबके व्यक्तित्व से बहुत कुछ सीखने को मिलता है।

यह भी संयोग ही है कि वर्ष 2002 (जब मैंने कॉलेज जॉइन किया) से लेकर 2006 तक शिवाजी कॉलेज में उथल-पुथल और संघर्ष का दौर रहा। जिसमें तत्कालीन नवनियुक्त कॉलेज प्रिंसिपल और शिवाजी कॉलेज स्टाफ एसोसिएशन के बीच एक लंबा संघर्ष चला। वर्ष 2006 में कार्यवाहक प्राचार्य के रूप में डॉ. राजेश मोहन की नियुक्ति हुई, जिनके कार्यकाल में शिक्षकों की स्थाई नियुक्तियों का दौर चला। वर्ष 2008-09 में काफी लोग स्थाई रूप से नियुक्त हुए। जुलाई 2008 में मेरी भी स्थाई नियुक्ति हो गई। इसके बाद शिवाजी कॉलेज एक नए दौर की ओर आगे बढ़ा।

सन् 2009 में कॉलेज की स्थाई प्रिंसिपल के रूप में डॉ. शशि निझावन जी ने कार्यभार संभाला। सन् 2009 से लेकर सन् 2019 तक का समय शिवाजी कॉलेज में नई उपलब्धियों और कीर्तिमानों को गढ़ने के लिए याद किया जाएगा। इस दौरान शिवाजी कॉलेज को नैक द्वारा 'ए' श्रेणी मान्यता भी प्रदान की गई। डॉ. शशि निझावन के नेतृत्व में कॉलेज अकादमिक रूप से सुदृढ़ हुआ। शिवाजी कॉलेज न केवल अकादमिक बल्कि सामाजिक-सांस्कृतिक गतिविधियों का केंद्र बना। शिक्षकों की प्रतिबद्धता एवं नूतन कार्य संस्कृति ने शिवाजी कॉलेज को ऊँचाइयों तक पहुँचाया। फरवरी 2020 में डॉ. शशि निझावन की सेवानिवृत्ति के बाद डॉ. शिव कुमार सहदेव ने कार्यवाहक प्राचार्य का दायित्व संभाला। उनके दायित्व संभालने के बाद मार्च 2020 से भारत में कोरोना महामारी का दौर प्रारंभ हुआ। तब से लेकर आज तक हम इस वैश्विक महामारी के कारण कठिन दौर में निरंतर संघर्षरत हैं। आज सन् 2021 में प्रो. शिव कुमार सहदेव के नेतृत्व में

कॉलेज निरंतर मजबूती के साथ आगे बढ़ रहा है। शिक्षकों के वर्षों से रुके हुए प्रमोशन के कार्य बहुत ही सहजता से संपन्न हो रहे हैं। शिवाजी कॉलेज स्टाफ एसोसिएशन तथा कॉलेज प्रशासन का तालमेल बेहद सौहार्दपूर्ण है। शिवाजी कॉलेज शिक्षक संघ के अध्यक्ष होने के नाते मैं यह कह सकता हूँ कि आज शिवाजी कॉलेज प्रशासन द्वारा शिक्षकों के हित के सभी कार्य सहजता एवं कुशलतापूर्वक संपन्न हो रहे हैं। कॉलेज को उन्नत करने में सभी शिक्षक हर संभव अपना योगदान दे रहे हैं।

इस वर्ष कॉलेज के साठ वर्ष पूरे हो रहे हैं, तो मैं स्वयं को गर्व से अभिभूत पाता हूँ। इस गौरवपूर्ण अवसर पर मैं सभी शिक्षक साथियों, विद्यार्थियों तथा समस्त शिवाजी कॉलेज परिवार को हार्दिक बधाई एवं शुभकामनाएं प्रेषित करता हूँ। साथ ही मैं उन सभी शिक्षकों, कर्मचारियों एवं विद्यार्थियों के प्रति आभार एवं धन्यवाद ज्ञापित करता हूँ जिन्होंने शिवाजी कॉलेज को किसी भी प्रकार से समृद्ध एवं उन्नत करने में अपना योगदान दिया है। मुझे पूर्ण विश्वास है कि आने वाले वर्षों में शिवाजी कॉलेज नए-नए कीर्तिमान स्थापित करेगा।

हिंदी के कवि जयशंकर प्रसाद ने कहा है—

‘इस पथ का उद्देश्य नहीं है,

श्रांत भवन में टिक रहना।

और पहुंचना उस सीमा तक,

जिसके आगे राह नहीं।।’

जय हिंद, जय शिवाजी



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**हिंदी विभाग**

हिंदी विभाग मेरी नजर में

वर्षा ऋतु सन् 1981 से वर्षा ऋतु 1984 तक हिंदी विभाग से नाता विद्यार्थी के रूप में रहा। इस दौरान विभाग में कई अध्यापकों से मेरा परिचय हुआ— जिनमें डॉ. रामेश्वर दयाल मिश्र, डॉ. लक्ष्मी नारायण पाठक, श्री गणेश शंकर द्विवेदी (शास्त्री जी) डॉ. कृष्ण अवतार सिंघल, डॉ. वीरेंद्र बडसूवाला, डॉ. भगवत प्रसाद दुबे, डॉ. सुखबीर सिंह, डॉ. चंद्र दत्त वशिष्ठ, डॉ. वीरेंद्र नाथ मिश्र, डॉ. सुनीता चौधरी, डॉ. आशा द्विवेदी (कुछ समय के लिए) रहे। अध्यापन शैली की दृष्टि से डॉ.सुखबीर सिंह और डॉ. भगवत प्रसाद दुबे की शैली रोचक, ज्ञानवर्धक थी। शुक्ल पक्ष कार्तिक मास सन् 1993 में हिंदी विभाग में शिक्षक रूप में नियुक्त होने पर डॉ. आर.डी. मिश्र और डॉ. पाठक सेवानिवृत्त हो चुके थे। कुछ नए सहयोगी प्राप्त हुए। डॉ. सुनीता चौधरी ने बाद में सेवा से त्यागपत्र दे दिया। नए सहयोगी कार्यरत थे— डॉ. उषा कांता चतुर्वेदी, डॉ. कुमुद शर्मा, डॉ.रुचिरा ढींगरा। फाल्गुन मास की समाप्ति पर मार्च 2021 में हिंदी विभाग में निम्न सहयोगी कार्यरत हैं— डॉ. रुचिरा ढींगरा, डॉ. वीरेंद्र भारद्वाज, डॉ. दर्शन पांडेय, डॉ. विकास शर्मा, डॉ. ज्योति शर्मा (अवकाश पर), डॉ. राजकुमारी। स्थायी आधार पर नियुक्त सहयोगियों के अतिरिक्त तदर्थ आधार पर नियुक्त सहयोगी इस प्रकार हैं— डॉ. सरिता, डॉ.कंचन, डॉ. अशोक मीणा, डॉ. तरुण गुप्ता, डॉ. प्रवीन भारद्वाज, डॉ. कल्पना शर्मा, डॉ. अरविंदर कौर।

सन् 2020 से 2021 का शैक्षणिक सत्र मेरे लिए रोचक रहा। कोरोना महामारी ने एक वर्ष से पूरे विश्व को अपनी गिरफ्त में ले रखा है। लॉकडाउन कोरोना बीमारी का फल है, जिसने व्यक्ति को घर में कैद के समान रहने को मजबूर कर दिया।

इसी सत्र में मैंने प्रभारी के रूप में कार्य किया। तकनीक के जुड़ जाने से ऑनलाइन शिक्षण व्यवस्था अस्तित्व में आई। ऑनलाइन परीक्षा, ऑनलाइन दाखिला, ऑनलाइन परीक्षा परिणाम, ऑनलाइन कक्षाएँ। इस ऑनलाइन व्यवस्था में घर से कार्य करने की व्यवस्था थी। यह व्यवस्था मेरे जीवन के तकनीकी पक्ष को उजागर करने वाली थी। धीरे-धीरे सब कुछ सीख गया। कोरोना ने अध्ययन-अध्यापन के स्वभाव और शैली को पूर्णतः बदल दिया। लेकिन इस समय की सभी चुनौतियों का सामना करते हुए तकनीक पर आधारित कॉलेज या विश्वविद्यालय के सभी कार्यों को पूरा किया। जीवन का हर रूप कुछ न कुछ सिखा जाता है। निस्संदेह यह समय विशिष्ट रहा। मेरे विभाग के सहयोगियों ने विभाग के सभी कार्यों को अपने ऊपर लेकर मुझे राहत दी। मैं सभी का आभार व्यक्त करता हूँ।



# Alumni of Shivaji College

## Our Pride



Captain Haneef Uddin (Kargil Martyr)



Captain Sumeet Roy (Kargil Martyr)



Squadron Leader Jai Kishan felicitated by the then President Smt Pratibha Patil



Prof. R. K. Seth  
Professor and In-Charge,  
Applied Entomology and Radiation Biology Unit,  
Department of Zoology, University of Delhi  
(Alumnus, BSc. (H) Zoology, Batch of 1977)

I am pleased to learn that our *alma mater*, Shivaji College, is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee in 2020-21. This is indeed a momentous milestone for Shivaji College, acquiring a great stature since its modest origin.

Shivaji College has a great legacy, built with the constant contribution of its dedicated fraternity of teachers, students and working staff. I graduated with distinction from Shivaji College in the first batch of B.Sc. Zoology Hons in 1977. I wish to make a special mention of the eminent personalities in the wonderful journey of Shivaji college vis-a-vis my career, viz., Prof. S.S. Rana (the then Principal with great administrative acumen) and my subject teachers, Prof. S.K.Nayyar, Prof. S.P.S. Chauhan, Prof. V.K. Mehta and others for their dedicated teaching and sincere motivation. I gratefully acknowledge the contribution of such dedicated teachers in shaping the careers of young minds and inculcating moral values in them.

I am indeed fortunate to be part of Shivaji College's alumni at this auspicious moment of blissful celebration of this milestone. I take this opportunity to congratulate all associates of Shivaji College (Governing bodies, officials, teachers and students, who have been an integral component of the journey) on this splendid achievement by this College over the last 60 years. I extend my sincere and best wishes for the onward journey of this institution with a special salutation to the dedicated teachers for guiding and shaping the young students and for achieving excellence together.





Dr. Sanjeev Gupta  
M.Com, FCS, LLB, PhD  
(Alumnus, B.Com, Batch of 1987)

It gives me immense pleasure to write a message for the Souvenir to be published in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of Shivaji College. It is always a proud moment in the life of the University of Delhi when its colleges, institutes and departments, etc. celebrate such occasions. The completion of six decades is a significant milestone in the journey of an institution. It is an eloquent acknowledgement of the college's unwavering commitment to the cause of quality education and holistic development of students. I am glad to be aware of the progress made by the college even in the stressed time of pandemic COVID-19 when we all were inside our home. The zeal to help its students by developing and shifting successfully from offline to on-line platforms and becoming a state-of-the-art technologically advanced institution.

The memory of my stay in this college is still as clear as if it were just a day old. In the notable years 1984-87, I, Dr. Sanjeev Gupta was a student of B.Com. (Pass) during which a small compound captivated inquisitive learners and meticulous, knowledgeable teachers. I enjoyed the golden period of my life. Due to the inspiration from my teachers, I continued my studies and obtained a professional degree and completed research in Corporate Frauds in India. Thereafter, I wrote two books namely, *Company Law Procedure & Compliances* and *Corporate Frauds in India*.

Looking back into the history of Shivaji College, since its inception, it has come a long way from its humble beginnings and moderate facilities to a campus equipped with impressive amenities. It was my privilege to be a Governing Body member of the same institution which had provided me an excellent opportunity to work for the college and students' benefits and took efforts to complete our new building.

I extend my warm greetings, and congratulations to the students, faculty, staff, alumni and all those associated with Shivaji College on the occasion of Diamond Jubilee Celebrations and wish them success for all the future endeavors. I am sure that it will continue to maintain its excellence and character with great distinction.



Dr. Nishith Prakash  
Associate Professor, Department of Economics and Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut  
Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School  
(Alumnus, B.A. (H) in Economics, Batch of 2000)

It's been 25 years, yet I still remember the first time I entered Shivaji College to fill in the college forms in the summer of 1996. Back then, I had scored around 68-69% and wanted to study Economics at Delhi University. My 4 years at Shivaji College was a rather difficult journey that included failing the first year of BA (Honors) in Economics. This is why it took me 4 years to finish my undergraduate as compared to the usual 3 years.

The most important lesson I learned during my undergraduate was to not give up and to continue to aspire. Despite failing my first year and barely passing the first year (in the second attempt), I wanted to study at the prestigious Delhi School of Economics. Two of my seniors, and one classmate from the 1996 cohort) from Shivaji College went to the Delhi School of Economics, which gave me hope. However, they all were high-performing students, unlike me.

I worked extremely hard after the initial failures yet continued to struggle during my undergrad. Hard work and luck played a big role and I managed to score the minimum marks needed to qualify for most entrance exams. Life took a different turn when I barely managed to qualify for the Delhi School of Economics entrance exams. Despite scoring below 55% in a country where everyone is obsessed with grades, I continued to dream and aspired to do a Ph.D. in Economics. The broader lesson is *students should try to not get disheartened by failures and should continue to work hard with a dream in mind*.

After finishing my Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Houston and Postdoctoral from Cornell University, I am an Associate Professor in the Department of Economics and Human Rights Institute at the University of Connecticut and a Fellow at Harvard Kennedy School. The lessons (esp. failures) I learned in college led to an important initiative I started in 2020. I co-founded the Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics (AMIE) which aims to address various gaps in the economics profession for Ph.D. students, especially those from underrepresented minorities (URM), LGBTQIA++ community (broadly defined), first-generation college, and international students. Also, for the last 15 years, I have been mentoring students (esp. who are not the superstars in economics) and have helped many get admitted to top Ph.D. programs in Economics.

To sum up, do not let failures define you. Use such incredible experiences of your failures to make yourself stronger! Continue to dream, aspire, and work hard to achieve your dreams.





**Dr. Seema Rani**

Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Banaras Hindu University  
(Alumna, B.A. (H) Geography Batch of 2009)

It is indeed a matter of great joy and pride that Shivaji College is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee of its educational service. Heartiest congratulations to all the members of Shivaji college. It was a wonderful experience in this college with excellent exposure provided across the various platforms. The ambiance of the campus is very positive and the whole experience is very good and there is always support and motivation from the faculties to pursue our dreams.

With the support of all the members of the college, I am sure the college will scale even greater heights in times to come.

Best wishes!



**Mr. Man Mohan Sharma**

Assistant Commandant at Indian Central Armed Police Services ICAPS .  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
(Alumnus, B.A. (H) Geography, Batch of 2009)

Shivaji College plays a pivotal role in overall development of students. Faculty here are just not teachers but “transformation machines” - transforming a naive school boy of high energy with no understanding into a gentleman of high understanding with knowledge to tap energy.



**Mr. Ratnakar Kumar**

Assistant Professor, Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi  
(Alumnus, B.A. (H) English, Batch of 2008-2011)

**The place where I found the love of my life is going to remain the best, literally as well as metaphorically. It was destiny which brought me to the English Department of Shivaji College. I was passionate about theatre and that creative potential allowed me to explore literary texts. Inspired by the teachings of faculty members, I became one. I have preserved the classroom notes and to my surprise they resolve any problem faced by me as lecturer.**

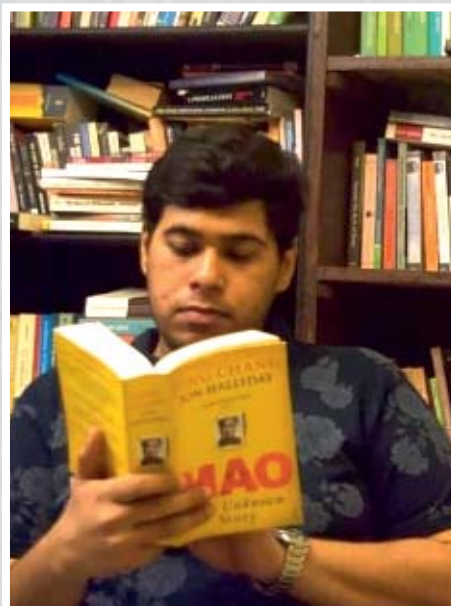
**Those benches, those desks, those *bread-pakodas* are still fresh in my mind. Even today if I cross the gates of the college, it appears as if I had gone to live in those corridors.**

**Ms. Shivani Bisht**

(Alumna, B.A (H) Political Science, Batch of 2019)

Basically I am from Dehradun and came to Delhi for higher education. I got admission in Shivaji College and it's the best thing that has happened to me. The faculty was not only amazing in teaching but also very supportive and kind to outstation students like me. I have my best memories from my Political Science department and also from Dictum (the public speaking society) - and later from Anchorage (the cultural committee) of the college. Shivaji College not only groomed me but made me what I am today. From the Principal to the HOD and to every single teacher, all were very supportive. The college gave me a perfect platform for grooming my personality in the form of societies. The lush greenery of the college and the well maintained library will always be close to my heart as I spent most of my time there. I will always be grateful to Shivaji College and am proud to be a Shivajian.





Mr. Akshay Bhambri  
Harvard-Yenching Fellow and PhD Scholar  
(Alumnus, B.A. (H) Political Science, Batch of 2017)

Imagine how it is to be constantly challenged to think outside your thought process, your normal boundaries and pushed to step outside your comfort zone. This was my experience for three years in Shivaji College. The combination of stimulating environment, outstanding professors and topnotch educational and learning methods helped me develop my personal and professional skills to a higher level. I did my graduation in Political Science from 2014 to 2017 from Shivaji College, and it was a journey of rich academic experience and enriching guidance by professors. This later motivated me to do my masters and then PhD in Political Science. The Department of Political Science in Shivaji College is one of the best departments in the college for their diverse way of teaching and the connection that the teachers have with the students beyond classrooms, guiding students in each and every front. I think the experience and the exposure to different teaching styles have given me a different perspective about life and what I really want to do professionally. College life in Shivaji was not only about lectures and classrooms, but for me it was about extracurricular activities, debating, public speaking, cultural festivals and learning outside the domain of the classroom. Shivaji College has platforms for every kind of talent in the form of college societies which hone and tone the students' skills. I joined 'Dictum' (the debating and public speaking society) in the first year of my graduation. Joining this society helped me gain confidence to compete with other students from different colleges of the university. I was also part of the cultural committee in 2016-17 which gave me experience of organising big events such as college festivals. These experiences helped me on several occasions after graduation.

One of the most memorable days of my college life was when Shivaji College was awarded 'A' grade by NAAC. It was a joyful moment for me as a student when my college got NAAC 'A' grade. If I have to recall that day, I will describe it as a day of joy, surrounded by happy students and proud teachers. That day ended with a celebration in the college auditorium and feast. Shivaji was not only a college for me or thousands of students like me, but it was our home. From classrooms to beautiful gardens, C-Points, canteen and 'hawa mahal' (a place where students hangout in college and whose name was given by students because of its windy and pleasant location) every place of the college will remain close to our heart. Shivaji College has contributed to my transformation from a school pass-out under-confident boy to a confident critical student of politics. Shivaji College is the place where leaders of tomorrow are being made, and where I learnt an immeasurable amount about political science, life, and myself.



Mr. Ranvir Singh  
Media Coordinator at Delhi Prisons  
(Alumnus, B.A. (H) English, Batch of 2013)

As I write this message, as an alumni of an esteemed institution like Shivaji College, it brings forth a lot of nostalgia and proud moments to surface. When I got into this college, the vibe of DU enchanted me at the campus. I got a chance to learn from the finest professors of the English Department at Shivaji. They helped me to grow as a student and also as a profound human being. The professors were emotionally available to their students, which further cemented my faith in the holistic education system.

Whatever I am today, I owe it to Shivaji College. Apart from excellent academic records, the college also has alumni who have achieved great feats in the field of entertainment industry, politics and as business leaders. The campus provides platforms to aspiring actors in the form of its successfully running dramatic society 'Vayam'. I remember during my batch the photography society 'Shutterbugs' was started and it is equally making Shivaji proud at various competitive events. The best part about this institution for me is I made true friends here who are still connected with me. I met professors who continue to be my guiding light whenever I find myself stuck in the dark side of life.

I keep striving hard for my goals and ambitions, which have made me travel overseas to Dubai, UAE. The moral values and education I got from Shivaji stand as one of the strongest pillars in my journey to success. One day, I'll add more flying colors to this institute's hat!





## Milestones: Silver, Golden, & Diamond Jubilees

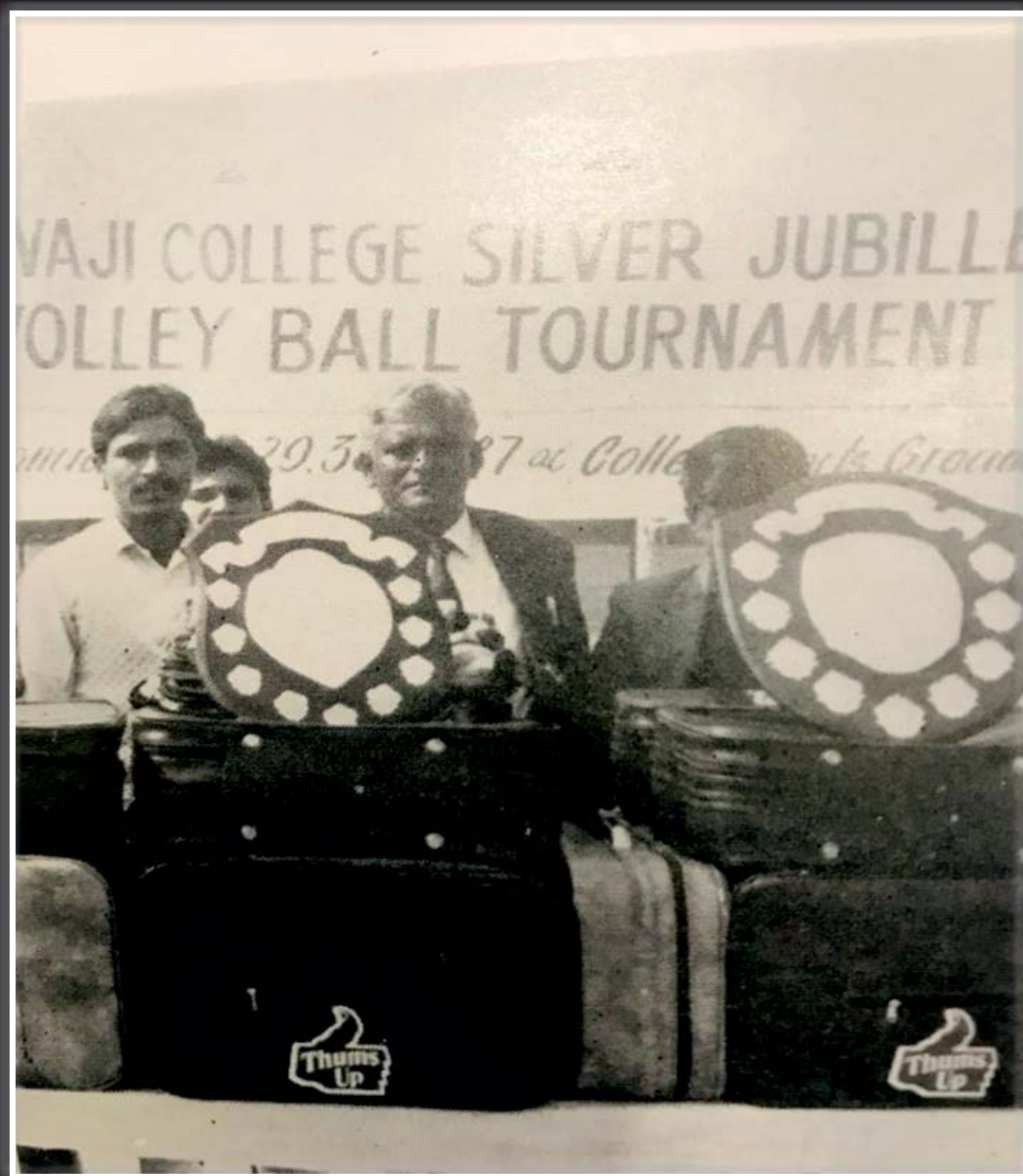
“गुलों में रंग भरे बाद—ए—नौ—बहार चले  
चले भी आओ कि गुलशन का कारोबार चले”

*-Faiz Ahmad Faiz*



In February 1987, the college celebrated its Silver Jubilee. The previous two decades were marked by landmark achievements: finding a permanent premises for the college in the 1970s, to begin with; and introduction of several new undergraduate courses, post-graduate studies and the expansion of BA and BSc Programme courses. In its Silver Jubilee Year, the college had a strength of 1750 students, 84 karamcharis and 111 teachers. Several sports and cultural events were held during this year.





*Shivaji College Silver Jubilee Volleyball Tournament (1986-87)*



*Inaugural Function of the Students' Union in Silver Jubilee Year (1986-1987) by Shri Ajit Singh, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha*



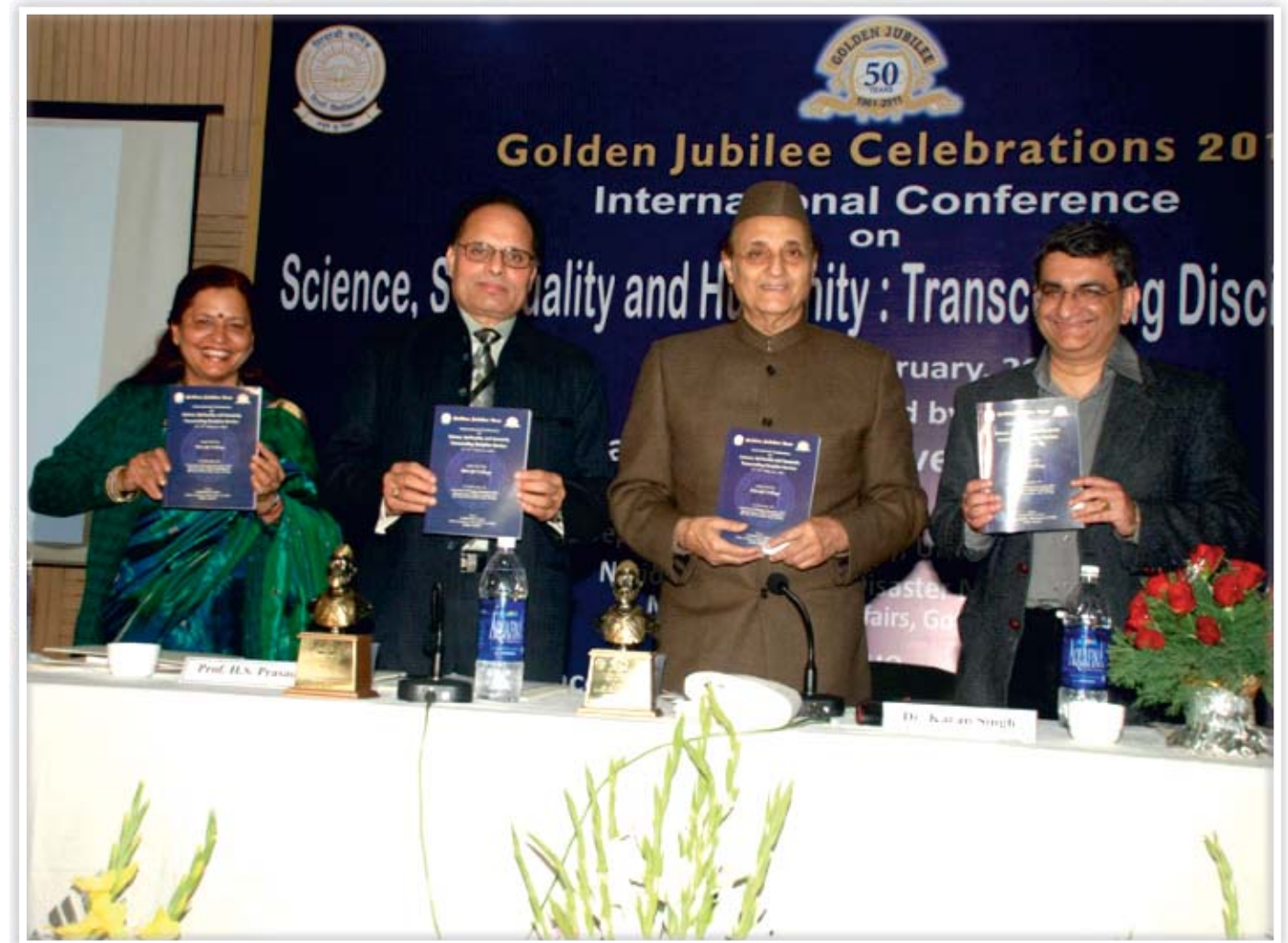
*Sh O.P. Wadhwa, Advocate, one of our distinguished alumni presenting the Winners Shield to Devinder Pal, Captain Raja Sports Club*



## Glorious Golden

The Golden Jubilee Year of the college was commemorated in 2011 by organising remarkable curricular and extracurricular events in the college. The college organised its first International Conference on 'Science, Spirituality and Humanity: Transcending Discipline Barriers' from February 17-19, 2011. Scholars from more than twenty countries participated at the event. The conference was a noteworthy accomplishment in the history of the college.

The event was attended by luminaries such as Dr. Karan Singh, Chairman, ICCR and Rajya Sabha Member; Prof. Vivek Suneja, Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of Delhi; and Prof. H.S. Chandra, Chairman, Governing Body, Shivaji College. Smt. Sheila Dixit, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Delhi, graced the Valedictory Function. Several cultural programmes and alumni meets were held during the Golden Jubilee Year.



*Dr Karan Singh releasing Golden Jubilee Conference Souvenir 2011*



*Golden Jubilee Conference*





*Dr. Karan Singh with students and faculty of Shivaji College*



## Dazzling Diamond

Shivaji College is proud to celebrate its Diamond Jubilee Year in 2020-2021. Despite the onslaughts of the raging COVID pandemic, Shivaji College did not let go of the opportunity to commemorate the completion of its 60th anniversary.

Understanding the unprecedented nature of this national crisis, Shivaji College, under the leadership of the Principal Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev, adopted several innovative measures to let the spirit of the celebration glow and to let learning continue. The crisis was transformed into an opportunity. Academic and extracurricular engagements were transitioned to online platforms with fervor and determination.



**Shivaji College**  
(NAAC Accredited Grade 'A')  
University of Delhi  
Celebrates  
**60th Annual Day**  
**Diamond Jubilee**

  
**Ms. Priyanka G, IAS**  
Chief Guest  
District Development Commissioner  
Wayanad, Kerala

  
**Prof. Rakesh Kumar Seth**  
Distinguished Alumnus  
Department of Zoology  
University of Delhi

 27th July, 2021  10:00 AM  Venue-Zoom

Convenor  
Ms. Preeti Desodiya

Principal  
Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev

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Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar speaks on "Self Reliant India" at the Inaugural Session of Diamond Jubilee Year



Orientation Day to welcome the first year students held on Zoom Platform on November 18, 2020



Dr. V. Ramgopal Rao speaks on "Education, Research & Innovation in the 21st Century"



Inaugural lecture of Diamond Jubilee



Principal Dr. Shashi Nijhawan passes the baton to Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev





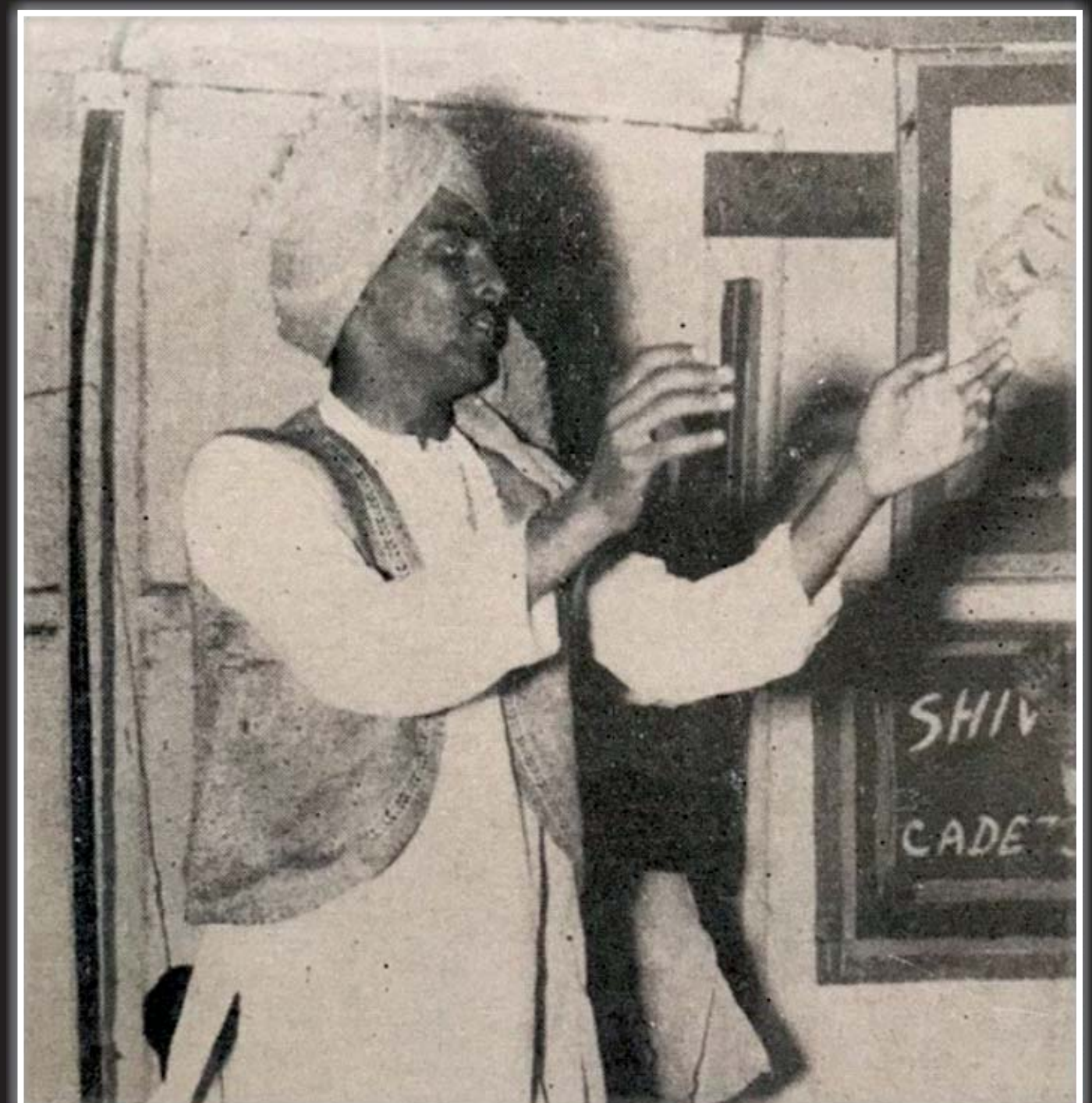
*College receives the Dr. Meenakshi Gopinath Cup for Best Herbal Garden at the Annual Flower Show, University of Delhi*



Since its inception, Shivaji College not only offers the space for achieving academic excellence; it provides forums for sharpening students' talents and skill-sets. With the proliferation of art, music and theatre, the college organized cultural festivals which became the model for the current Annual Cultural Fest, "Vibrations". Over a period of time, the cultural arena and platforms for artistic practices diversified. Student societies such as Vibgyor (Fine Arts), Vayam (Theatre), Dictum (Debating), Footloose (Dance), Reverb (Singing), Bizarre (Fashion) and Shutterbugs (Photography) began thriving, fuelled by and in turn fuelling ingenious talents. These talents present themselves in their beauteous forms every year at the college cultural festival "Vibrations". The talents - discovered, nurtured and honed in these societies - are showcased on numerous stages across the university.

## Beyond Classroom Learning

*"They sparkle still the right Promethean fire;  
They are the books, the arts, the academes,  
That show, contain, and nourish all the world."*  
*William Shakespeare*







Mr M.V. Mathur at the inaugural function of the Fine Arts Society of the College at Karampura (1970)



Inter College Cultural Festival "Saurabh" organised by the Students' Union of the College (1982)



Bhangda performance during the Annual Cultural Fest "Aagaaz" (2009)



Prize distribution during the Cultural Festival "Sharad" (1977)



A play performed during the Annual Cultural Fest "Aagaaz" (2005)



Inauguration of Vibrations (2019)



Drama performance in the college (1982)



Performance of the street play Udhghosh (2019)



Performance at Vibrations (2020)





*Dance performance by Nalini-Kamalini at Vibrations (2020)*



*Orientation Programme (2018)*



*Vibrations (2018)*



*Spic Macay: Virasat (2019)*



*Display by Shutterbugs, the Photography Society*



*Faculty at Vibrations*



*Star Night Performance by Jubin Nautiyal during Vibrations (2020)*



*Benny Dyal dazzles the audience in Vibrations (2019)*



*Spic Macay (2019-20) with Padma Bhushan Dr. Uma Sharma*



# TED<sup>x</sup> Talks:

*Word Power, Mind Power*

“Creativity is contagious; pass it on!” exhorted Albert Einstein. Every year, the college comes alive with stimulating discussions on riveting subjects as well as inspiring stories of leaders and visionaries. Their words of grit and courage are nothing but sheer creativity and power — to conjure and to connect with the SELF that CAN.

TED<sup>x</sup> Shivaji College brings together persons from diverse fields who believe in the Power of Ideas to change attitudes, lives, and the society. Shivaji College is one of the few colleges in Delhi University with a TED<sup>x</sup> license for three consecutive years. TED<sup>x</sup> Shivaji College has successfully organised two successive editions of TED<sup>x</sup>. TED<sup>x</sup> Shivaji College 2018 featured a unique theme, “F5-Refresh” and saw the presence of illustrious professionals such as Suhani Jalota, founder, Myna Mahila Foundation; Professor Niladri Chatterjee, IIT Delhi; and Rudrani Chettri, founder MITR Trust amongst others. TED<sup>x</sup> Shivaji College 2019 returned with a greater enthusiasm, featuring a lively theme “Resonate”. The event witnessed the presence of some of the most noteworthy personalities such as Naghma Sahar, NDTV India; Vartika Nanda, Tinka Tinka Project; and Paritosh Tripathi, Actor/Comedian, an alumnus of Shivaji College.



*Mohammad Kaif at TED<sup>x</sup> (2018)*



*Mansi Sehgal, FBB Colours Femina Miss India at TED<sup>x</sup> (2019)*



*TED<sup>x</sup> organisers*



# *I Think, I Can, I Will: Training Grounds*

College life prepares students for professional challenges and competence. Shivaji College provides multiple grounds for hands-on training in entrepreneurship and finance-related enterprise. The Placement Cell fulfills the function of students' preparedness for placement and tapping employment opportunities. Further strengthening the social skills, entrepreneurial skills and employability of students are societies such as the Entrepreneurship Development Cell, Society for Practical Applications and Development of Economics (SPADE) and the Finance and Investment Cell. Along with the tutoring and mentorship provided by the faculty members in the various departments, the college now has a number of special cells designed to assist students in harnessing and honing their capabilities to the optimum level.



*Unveiling of the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of Arthmanthan, journal by SPADE society.*



*FIC Annual Finance Fest, FINANZEN'20*



*Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC)*



*Developing the Spirit of Entrepreneurship*



*Internship and Job Fair at Shivaji College*



*In Service to the Society,  
the Nation, and the Earth*



*Project SANA of Enactus for sanitary napkin production*



*The Principal planting a sapling on Plantation Day (2020)*



*Green Crusaders: Tree Plantation Drive*



*Our customers while busting menstrual myths with us!*



*Eco Club Plantation Drive at Tughlaqabad Biodiversity Park*



*Sapna Campaign: Pad Donation Drive*



*Bringing Sana (Light in Urdu) in people's life through Project Sana*



*Equal Opportunity Cell Annual Fest (2021)*



# *To the Cause of Gender Equality*



*Warrior Women*



*WDC International Conference (2020)*



*International Seminar (2019)*



*Meri Zindagi band at International Conference (2020)*



# March on to Glory!



Commander Gupta with the Officers of the Corps arriving to attend the NCC function at Matiala, 1963



Prakash Chander receiving his badge of honour from the Director NCC on the NCC Annual Function (1963)



Women Power!



NCC Shivaji College stands proud



In solidarity!



## *Annual Day over the Years*



### **Momentous Events**

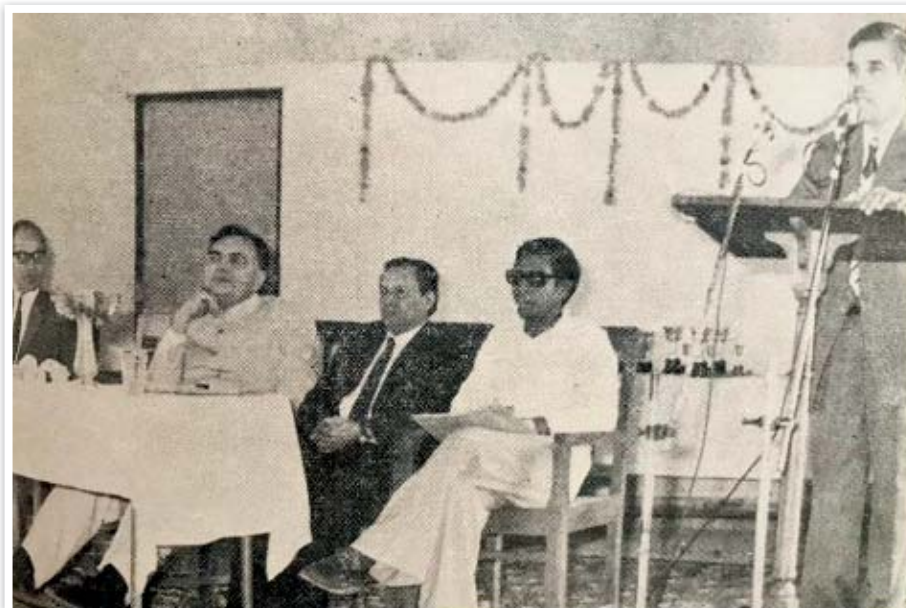
“ थोड़ा सा रफू करके देखिये ना,  
फिर से नयी सी लगेगी  
ज़िन्दगी ही तो है ”

*-Gulzar*



The Annual Day of Shivaji College is a day of commemorating the successes of the academic year. This day brings together students, faculty, proud parents and honourable guests to celebrate excellence. The programme showcases the progress of our students and the institution. Annual Days - from the incipient days - have been solemn and profound occasions to commemorate the values of this institution, and instill among students finesse of character and new horizons in learning.





*The Principal welcoming the Chief Guest Dr. Balram Jakhar, Speaker Lok Sabha, on the dais, seated with the Vice Principal and members of the staff (1980)*



*Professor Sher Singh Minister of State, of the Governing Body and the Principal*

*Education with the Chairman on the Annual Day of the College (1969)*



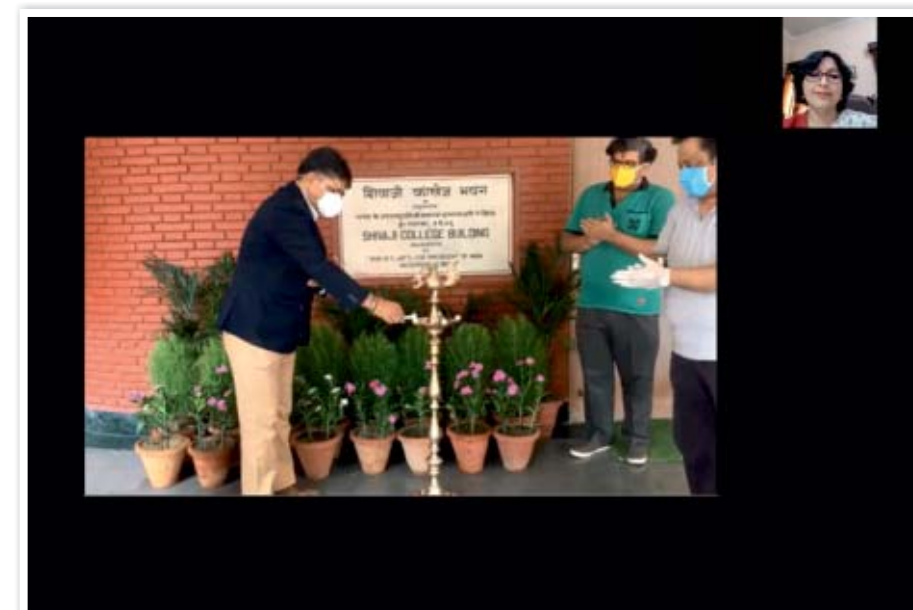
*Annual Day (2019)*



*Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee accompanied by the Principal, staff and students of the college on the way to Annual Function (1978)*



*Annual Day (2017)*



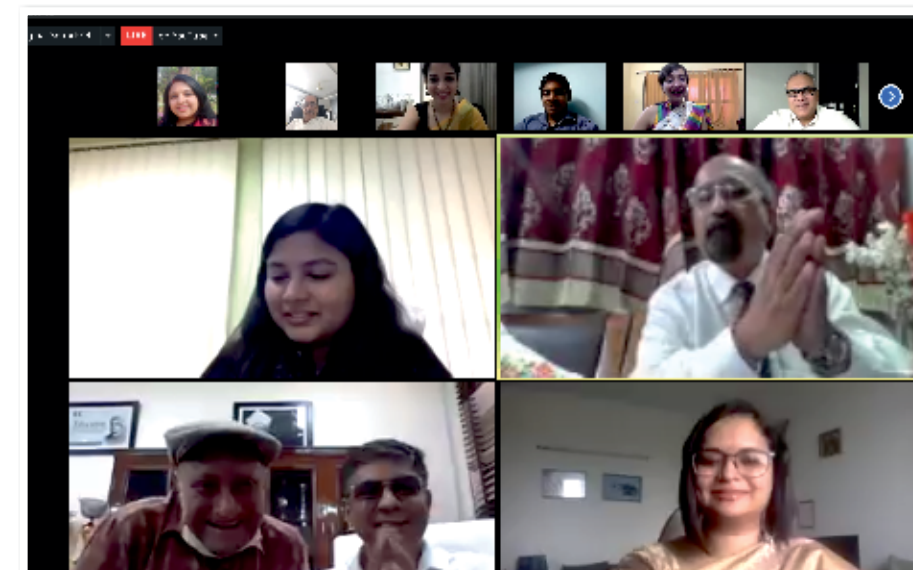
*Annual Day (2020)*



*Sh. Uma Shankar Joshi, Chairman Sahitya Akademi accompanied by the Principal and the staff on Annual Day Function (1979)*



*Annual Day in the COVID Era*



*Annual Day (2021)*





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# SHIVAJI COLLEGE

University of Delhi

## 58th Annual Day

Thursday, March 28, 2019

Chief Guest

Shri R. Subrahmanyam

Department of Higher Education  
Government of India



Guest of Honour

Dr. Eish Singh



## *Athletics at Shivaji College*

“Watson, the game is afoot!” exclaimed Sherlock Holmes. The thrill of the chase and the battle of nerves - it is with this spirit of energy that sports are played at Shivaji College. From humble beginnings with a makeshift college space, Shivaji College now has an 8.5 acre sports ground, with a cricket field, football field, basketball court, volleyball court, tennis courts, grass athletic track and indoor space for table tennis and chess. Intensive training, competitions and tournaments are organised every semester. Sports Day is held every year and witnesses various outdoor events to test the spirit of teamwork and sportsmanship. Students have made the college proud by attaining laurels in National and State championships in a variety of sports.



*Winners of Inter College Volleyball (Women) Championship (1986-87)*



*Teamwork, Sportsmanship, Energy (2019)*



*Team Spirit*





*Winners of Delhi University Volleyball Tournament (1975-76)*



*Aspiring high!*



*Citius, Altius, Fortius- Faster, higher, stronger*



*A metaphor for life*



## Department Spotlight

Shivaji College in 1961 opened its doors to the young women and men of West Delhi by offering —to begin with— BA, BCom Pass and Pre Medical studies. Presently, the college offers 20 undergraduate programmes and 3 postgraduate programmes. In addition, the college offers certificate and short term programmes in foreign languages. The departments in the college are the bedrock of the institution - offering the finest academic learning and providing the most exciting extracurricular life among students



*English Department Faculty*



*Department of History at Sanchi Stupa*



*Department of Zoology*





*Inaugural of Chemistry Society (1986)*



*Down the memory lane- Mathematics student receives award*



*BBE faculty with Former and Current Principals*



*Literary Fest by English Association (1987)*



*BBE fest Invoke (2019)*



*Biochemistry International Conference*



*Dr. S.N. Mishra speaking at an event organised by the Political Science Dept of the College (1987)*



*Biochemistry IISER Mohali visit*



*Department of Commerce*





Department of Computer Science



Nostalgic Pride: The English Department Farewell (2021)



Commerce Department release of Optimum



Economics Department faculty



Department of EVS: Paper Recycling



Computer Science Department students and faculty



Botany Department Spotlight



Geography Department faculty



EVS Department Verve (2018)





*Economics Department gathers together*



*History Department*



*Department of Physics*



*Educational trip: Geography Department*



*Physics Dept visit to Vigyan Samagan*



*Political Science faculty and students*



*Hindi Department lights the lamp*



*National Science Day at IUAC by Physics Department (2020)*



*Voter's Day - Department of Political Science (2020)*







# Teaching Staff

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1	Prof. Shiv Kumar Sahdev	Principal	26	Dr. Rahul Singhal	Chemistry	52	Dr. Lalita Rana	Geography	76	Dr. Neetu Rani	Mathematics
2	Prof. Neena R Wadehra	Biochemistry	27	Mrs. Suman Kharbanda	Commerce	53	Prof. Tejbir Singh Rana	Geography	77	Mr. Uttam Kumar	
3	Prof. Rashmi Wardhan	Biochemistry	28	Dr. Rabinarayan Samantara	Commerce	54	Dr. Preeti Tewari	Geography			
4	Prof. Darshan Malik	Biochemistry	29	Mr. Rajesh Kumar	Commerce	55	Dr. Rajender Singh	Geography			
5	Dr. Jayita Thakur	Biochemistry	30	Dr. Ramesh Kumar	Commerce	56	Dr. Prabuddh Kumar Mishra	Geography			
6	Dr. Renu Baweja	Biochemistry	31	Dr. Rajinder Singh	Commerce	57	Dr. Sarvesh Kumar Dubey	Hindi			
7	Dr. Sunita Singh	Biochemistry	32	Dr. Kiran Chaudhary	Commerce	58	Prof. Ruchira Dhingra	Hindi			
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9	Dr. Anita Kapur	Botany	34	Ms. Preeti Sharma	Computer Science	60	Dr. Vikas Sharma	Hindi			
10	Dr. Pratima Rani Sardar	Botany	35	Ms. Anshu Chopra	Economics	61	Dr. Jyoti Sharma	Hindi			
11	Dr. Vijay Kumar	Botany	36	Ms. Mamta Datt	Economics	62	Prof. Darshan Pandey	Hindi			
12	Dr. Manju Tomar Balhara	Botany	37	Ms. Iti Dandona	Economics	63	Dr. Raj Kumari	Hindi			
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16	Dr. Misha Yadav	Botany	41	Dr. Poonam Singh	English	67	Mr. Mukesh Kumar Singh	History			
17	Prof. Manjula Singh	Chemistry	42	Dr. Anjali Raman	English	68	Ms. Nishtha Srivastava	History			
18	Dr. Anil Krishan Aggarawal	Chemistry	43	Dr. Sonali Garg	English	69	Dr. Babita Gupta	Mathematics			
19	Dr. Prasanta Kumar Sahu	Chemistry	44	Ms. Siamlianvung Hangzo	English	70	Dr. Aparna Jain	Mathematics			
20	Dr. Rajni Kanojia	Chemistry	45	Dr. L. Gitarani Devi	English	71	Prof. Mridula Budhraj	Mathematics			
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22	Dr. Neena Khanna	Chemistry	47	Dr. Varun Gulati	English	73	Mr. Ashesh Kr. Jharwal	Mathematics			
23	Mr. Mahendra Kumar Meena	Chemistry	48	Dr. Divya Madaan	English	74	Dr. Kumari Priyanka	Mathematics			
24	Dr. Vandana Katoch	Chemistry	49	Ms. Preeti	English	75	Dr. Vandana	Mathematics			
25	Dr. Nand Gopal Giri	Chemistry	50	Dr. Chakpram Priyanka	English						
			51	Ms. Gunjan Kumari	English						



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5	Dr. Nupur Mondal	Botany	34	Dr. Antara Bhatia	English	61	Mr. Sarvjeet Yadav	History			
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7	Ms. Aditi Gupta	Business Economics	36	Ms. Meenakshi Yadav	English	63	Dr. Sonal	History			
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24	Ms. Monika	Commerce	53	Dr. Ashok Kumar Meena	Hindi	80	Dr. Ravindra Singh	Physics			
25	Mr. Ritesh Bansal	Commerce	54	Dr. Kalpana Sharma	Hindi	81	Dr. Shiv Shankar Gaur	Physics			
26	Ms. Shweta	Commerce	55	Dr. Kanchan	Hindi	82	Dr. Alka Mudgal	Political Science			
27	Ms. Supriya Kamna	Commerce									
28	Ms. Vanitha Chadha	Commerce									







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3	Mr. Raj Kumar Mishra	Administration	32	Mr. Narender Singh	Office	62	Mr. Lalta Prasad Pal	Botany	89	Mr. Bhavesh Kumar	Physical Education
4	Mr. Attar Singh Yadav	Administration	33	Mr. Jeetmaan	Office	63	Mr. Anil Kumar	Botany	90	Mr. Mohan Chander	Physics
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			58	Mr. Surinder Singh	Biochemistry						





*Diamond Jubilee Committee*

# Eminent Guests

“It's not the years in your life that count.  
It's the life in your years.”

- Abraham Lincoln





*Dr. Joginder Singh, Director CBI, AAGAAZ (2006)*



*Cricketer Murli Kartik at Organ Donation Camp (2013)*



*Ms. Ambika Shukla and faculty at cultural event*



*Yami Gautam, Nawazuddin Siddiqui and Varun Dhawan at Vibrations (2015)*



*Kamala Bhasin at WDC event (2017)*



*Padmashri Ranjana Gauhar at Spic Macay (2015)*





*Urvashi Butalia's Jijabai Award acceptance speech (2010-11)*



*Actor Jaya Prada at Organ Donation Camp (2013)*



*Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon'ble Minister, Government of India, at the Jijabai Achievers' Award Ceremony (2018)*



*Ms. Sheila Dixit, Former Chief Minister of Delhi, at Golden Jubilee Celebrations (2011)*



*National Conference, English Department (2017)*



*Shri Muzaffar Ali felicitated by Dr. Nijhawan at Vibrations (2019)*



*Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon'ble Minister of State, Chief Guest at the English Department National Conference "Many Patriarchies, Many Positionalities" (2017)*



*Odissi dance exponent Kavita Dwibedi at Vibrations (2016)*



*Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand Smt. Baby Rani Maurya, WDC Conference (2020)*





*The Principal with the Vice Chancellor of University of Delhi, P. C. Joshi*



*Padma Shri Hans Raj Hans in Vibrations (2020)*



*Padma Vibhushan Maharajah Dr. Karan Singh at the International Conference, Golden Jubilee Celebrations (2011)*

# Looking Ahead

“शब्दों के पहाड़ों पे लिखी है दास्तां  
ख्वाबों के लिफाफों में छुपा है रास्ता”  
- Anupam Roy, “The Journey Song”



## Looking Ahead

