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### **Research Mentoring, Peer Mentoring and Research Initiatives**

Research is an important component of higher studies. It is essential to create a research oriented environment where students learn to pursue research as an activity. The Research Mentoring Program initiated by the college across all departments dedicatedly works to achieve this goal. In addition, interdisciplinary research activities like seminars, conferences and workshops enable us to nurture research skills of both students and staff. To further strengthen collaborative learning, we also encourage our students to learn from each other through our unique Peer-Mentoring programs. Through this program we enable our students to collaborate with each other and take the teaching learning process beyond the classroom.

**Research Mentoring** - Our 'Research Mentoring' programme is committed to promote interdisciplinary research amongst students, 'Research Mentoring' witnessed students being supervised by an experienced teacher for a full-fledged research project. Students from many departments participated in this program and produced well researched projects. This programme has witnessed a very enthusiastic participation from both students and teachers. As a part of this initiative, research on a diverse range of topics was carried out which is a testimony to the fact that given a conducive environment students could produce well-researched papers under the expert supervision of our faculty members. For details on Research Mentoring Programme refer to the link – [https://mscw.ac.in/Research\\_Mentoring.aspx](https://mscw.ac.in/Research_Mentoring.aspx)

**Peer Mentoring** - Our practice of promoting research initiatives and conducting Peer Mentoring amongst undergraduate students is unique as it allows the students to enhance their critical thinking through exchanging ideas with fellow students. The program of Peer Mentoring has allowed students to become scholars and experience learning in a very different atmosphere. It offered a refreshing role reversal where final year students could mentor the freshers. The benefit of this program has been two fold. Students also learnt the skill to articulate their ideas in a manner that is cohesive and comprehensive. The first year students on the other hand witnessed a teaching-learning process that was not tied to books or teachers and enjoyed the freedom to engage in a scholarly debate with their fellow students. This created an amicable inclusive academic environment while promoting the spirit of teamwork.

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**Research Initiative** - Along with these innovative initiatives, the college organised a myriad of conventional activities in the form of workshops, talks, seminars and conferences which benefited both our faculty and students. The students were given a generous glimpse of the rigour that research involves. In addition, certain disciplines like Psychology, Elementary

Education and Commerce offer dissertation /projects as an option in discipline specific electives. To inspire students we also invite academicians from across the globe to share their experiences. To upgrade the research skill of teachers, we encourage them to attend Faculty Development Programs, Refresher and Orientation Courses. Teachers of our college are also recognized supervisors of M.Phil. and Ph.D. scholars.

**For details of International and National Seminars/Webinars and Conferences refer to the following links -**

<https://mscw.ac.in/Webinars.aspx>

[https://mscw.ac.in/International\\_conferences.aspx](https://mscw.ac.in/International_conferences.aspx)

[https://mscw.ac.in/National\\_conferences.aspx](https://mscw.ac.in/National_conferences.aspx)

**An account of all seminars and webinars has also been given in criteria 3.**

### Any Other Relevant Information

1. A Faculty Development Programme titled “Emerging Trends in Research Methodology” was organised by IQAC in collaboration with Mahatma Hansraj Faculty Development Centre. 75 participants from all over the country attended the programme.

Mata Sundri College for Women (University of Delhi)

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Hansraj College (University of Delhi)

Date: October 7-12, 2019

#### Schedule of Faculty Development Programme on Emerging Trends in Research Methodology

Date	Session-1 (9.30 -11 AM)	Session-2 (11.30-1 PM)	Session-3 (1.40 -3.10 PM)	Session-4 (3.25 -4.55 PM)
7.10.19 (Monday)	<b>Inaugural Session</b> Prof. K.D. Broota, Dr. Urmila Devi, JS, UGC Prof. Rama, Principal, HRC Prof. Harpreet Kaur	<b>Emerging Trends in Social Sciences</b> Prof. A. S. Narang Ex-Registrar, IGNOU	<b>Interview Techniques</b> Prof. Anuradha Bhandari Panjab University	<b>New Ways of Doing History : Oral and Visual Histories Since 1945</b> Dr. Anirudh Deshpande University of Delhi
9.10.19 (Wednesday)	<b>Evidence Based Policy Making: Methodological Issues</b> Prof. Amitabh Kundu CSRD/JNU	<b>On Using Data Sources for Research</b> MS. Aparna Bhatia IES Govt. of India	<b>Ethnomethodology</b> Prof. Shalina Mehta UGC National Professor	<b>Methodological Issues and Trends in the Study of International Relations</b> Dr. Saurabh Mishra Indian Council of World Affairs
10.10.19 (Thursday)	<b>Emerging Research Trends in Dalit Dis courses</b> Prof. Ajmer Singh Kajal CIL/JNU	<b>Qualitative Research in Disability Studies</b> Prof. Anita Ghai Ambedkar University	<b>Impact of Recent Methodologies in Microbiome Research : Vision for Future</b> Prof. Ruplal University of Delhi	<b>Emerging Trends of Research in Finance</b> Prof. Yamini Agrawal Director, IIF Business School(AKTU), Dean(Research) Indian Institute of Finance
11.10.19 (Friday)	<b>Emerging Research Trends in Sanskrit Literature</b> Prof. Girish Pant Jamia Millia Islamia	<b>Translation, History and Literature</b> Prof.(Retd.) Cham an Lal CIL/JNU	<b>Qualitative Research Paradigms</b> Prof. Anand Prakash Dean, School of Social Sciences	<b>Methods of Researching Adivasi Literature</b> Dr. Ganga Sahay Meena CIL/JNU
12.10.19 (Saturday)	<b>Emerging Trends in Population Studies Special Reference to Disability and Ageing</b> Prof. Bupinder Zutshi Ex-Registrar, JNU	<b>Contemporary Issues in Business Research</b> Dr.Hemant Daangi Delhi School of Economics	<b>Big Data and Analytics</b> Nit in Raj Director KPMG	<b>Valedictory Session</b>

Tea Break: 11 am and 3.10 PM, Lunch Break : 1 PM

Attendance Compulsory in All Sessions

Figure 1 Image of the Schedule for Faculty Development Programme



**Mata Sundri College for Women  
(University of Delhi)  
In Collaboration With  
Mahatma Hansraj Faculty Development Center (MHRFDC)  
Hansraj College, University of Delhi**

Organizes  
**One Week  
Interdisciplinary  
Faculty Development Programme**

On  
**Emerging Trends in Research Methodology  
(October 7-12, 2019)**

Under the Scheme  
**Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT)**  
Organized by

Internal Quality Assurance Cell  
Mata Sundri College for Women

&

MHRFDC  
Hansraj College

**MHRFDC TEAM**

Convener: Prof. Rama, Principal, Hansraj College  
Dr Jyoti Bhola, Coordinator  
Dr Lokesh Chandra Mishra, Deputy Coordinator  
Mr. Ashutosh Yadav, Deputy Coordinator

**FDP ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

Patron: Dr. Harpreet Kaur, Principal  
Dr. Lokesh Kumar Gupta, Coordinator  
Dr. Harinder M. Sandhu, Advisor, FDP  
Dr. Manisha Mathur, Coordinator, IQAC

**REGISTRATION**

- There is NO REGISTRATION FEE.
- Pre-registration to the programme is through online mode only.
- Interested participants are required to fill the online pre-registration form available at the following link latest by 30th September 2019.
- Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/2JCCLAY>
- MHRFDC Webpage: <http://www.mhrfdc.in>
- Mata Sundri College For Women Webpage: <http://mscw.ac.in/>
- Selected participants will be informed by 1st October, 2019.
- Accommodation/TA shall be provided/reimbursed to outstation participants.

Figure 2 Image of the Poster of the Faculty Development Programme

2. A Research Board was constituted under the aegis of the IQAC in November 2020. The Board will work towards creating an environment conducive to carry out research in college.

**Members of Research Board**

Prof. Harpreet Kaur, Principal  
Dr. Lokesh Kr. Gupta (Coordinator-IQAC)  
Dr. Harleen Kaur, Secretary  
Dr. Harinder M. Sandhu, Member  
Dr. Radhika Menon, Member

- The Department of Philosophy organised three National Seminars sponsored by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research.



Figure 3. A collage of Inter-disciplinary National Conference on Professional Ethics: Theory and Practice Organized on January 2020 in progress.

- The first lecture in the National Lecture series was delivered on Archives and Research by Dr. Meena Gautam, former Deputy Director, National Archives of India.
- To promote research, Department of Political science organizes a knowledge club. Knowledge Club sessions are broadly aimed at promoting critical enquiry in students through paper presentations on relevant themes, followed by debates and discussions around them. The students are encouraged to take up research on issue related to their discipline, and to present their views on the same. The paper presentations are followed by an open-house discussion. Following is a report Knowledge Club – 2019-2020 :-

**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE  
Knowledge Club – 2019 – 2020**

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**Session I - 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**Topic - America's withdrawal from Afghanistan and its implications on India**

The first session of the knowledge club focused on the America's withdrawal from Afghanistan and its implications for India. The topic was very relevant with regard to the contemporary politics and towards understanding of international relations. The students while making their presentation touched upon various aspects related to it. They highlighted how the terrorist attacks of 9/11 on America changed political dynamics across the world. The invasion of Afghanistan by US led forces had profound impact on Asia particularly for South Asia. This session gave a glimpse about the undercurrents at the international political level and how it reflects upon the nations. The US withdrawal from Afghanistan had serious implications for the entire regions especially in terms of stability and peace.

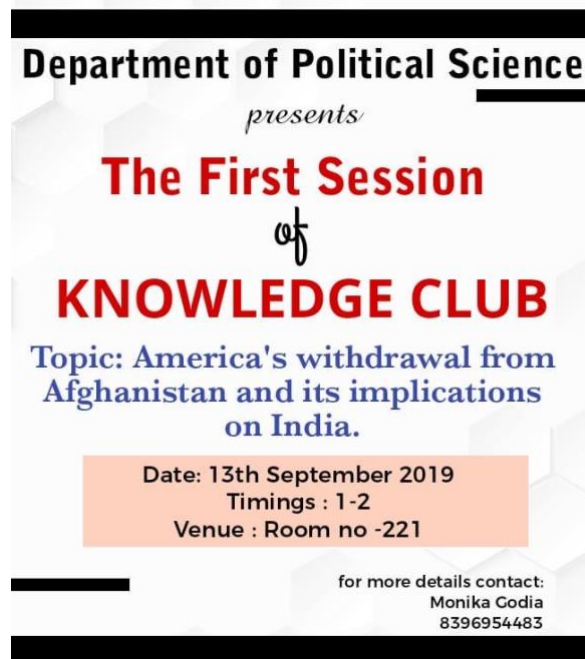


Figure 4 E-Poster



*Figure 5 A collage of the event being attended by a keen audience*

## **Session II - 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

### **Topic - Book Review of 1984 Dystopian Novel by George Orwell**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> session of the knowledge club was centered around the book 1984 written by George Orwell. The book is based on a dystopian social science fiction. The book review session was an opportunity for the students to explore readings options beyond their course having significant relevance in contemporary period. While presenting the review the students explored the themes totalitarianism, state, and mass surveillance. It showed how truth and facts are manipulated at the political level, how the government exerts its control over its citizens and why it is important for the people to understand the need to elect correct person to power.

**DEPARTMENT OF  
POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
presents  
**THE SECOND SESSION  
OF KNOWLEDGE CLUB**

**BOOK REVIEW**  
on  
**GEORGE  
ORWELL'S  
1984**

date : **25th Sept 2019**  
time : **1pm** for more details contact  
venue : **308** **Monika Godia**  
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Figure 6. A collage of the Second Session

**Session III – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020**

**Topic - Cooperative Federalism and Public Policy**

The third session of the knowledge club was centered around the subject of federalism and public policy. The Indian Constitution defines powers exercised by the different organs of the government. Public policy in essence represents the goals and actions of the government. Federalism denotes the dynamics between Centre and State. During this session, the students focused on the relationship between federalism and public policy, highlighting the Centre – State relations. For public policies to be successful it important that coordination amongst the various levels of government is maintained. Cooperative federalism is fundamental towards a smooth operations of government activities.

## **DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**

*presents*

# **THE FIRST SESSION**

*of*

# **KNOWLEDGE CLUB**

**TOPIC : COOPERATIVE FEDERALISM & PUBLIC POLICY**

**DATE - 31st january**

**TIME -12:00 pm**

**VENUE-room no: 221**

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Figure 7 E-Poster of the Knowledge Club





Figure 8 A collage of the Knowledge Club Event in Progress

Session III – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Topic - Voices of Dissent: Political Opportunisms or Right to Express**

Right to dissent is one of foremost rights given by the Indian Constitution. Citizen's right to ask, verify and challenge the government constitutes the very essential democratic ethos of accountability. For a democracy to work and sustain it is imperative that the people voices being heard.

Department of Political Science

*presents*

**THE SECOND SESSION OF  
KNOWLEDGE CLUB**

**TOPIC: VOICES OF DISSENT: POLITICAL OPPORTUNISM  
OR RIGHT TO EXPRESS**

Date :6th March

Time : 12-1:00pm

Venue : R.no 425

**FOR MORE DETAILS**

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Figure 9 E Poster




Figure 10 A collage of the Knowledge Club Event in Progress

6. In academic year 2020-21, Department of Elementary Education, organized a webinar on plagiarism titled as, Plagiarism: Causes and Consequences. The webinar aimed at an attempt by the college to enhance awareness on this issue for students and faculties alike. Detailed report of the event and images of the session in progress can be referred to the link - <https://mscw.ac.in/beled1.aspx>

  
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