

**VASANT KANYA MAHAVIDYALAYA
ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20**

A) A Brief History

Inaugurated on 10th July, 1954 by Dr, C.P. Ramaswamy Iyer, the then Vice-Chancellor of Banaras Hindu University, Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya, a postgraduate institution has withstood the challenges of time to leave its imprint in the world of women's education only due to the fact that it draws sustenance from the vision of Dr. Annie Besant, Mahamana Madan Mohan Malaviya, Dr. Rohit Mehta and others who worked to link up education with culture and balance freedom with responsibility. With a holistic end in mind, the college pursues the motto "education as service", so that the students become responsible citizens, able to serve the community. The academic, the co-curricular and the extra-curricular events brace the young girls to face, understand and address the challenges of the ever-changing society.

A group of extremely efficient, committed and qualified teachers under the able administration of open minded Principals have successfully tried to achieve the goals for which the college has been established. The college at present is teaching 14 subjects in Arts and Social Science streams at UG level i.e. *English, Sanskrit, Hindi, Philosophy, AIHC & Archaeology, Music (Vocal), Music (Instrumental), Painting, Home Science, History, Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, Economics* along with PG and Ph.D courses in 5 subjects i.e *Hindi, English, Home Science, Sociology, Psychology*. In 2020-21, post-graduation in six more subjects – AIHC & Archealogy, Economics, History, Political Science, Philosophy and Sanskrit will be introduced alongwith Geography at undergraduate level. The college runs two certificate courses under self-financing scheme -**Spoken English and Fashion Designing**.

V.K.M. has a group of 47 qualified and competent faculties who have been appointed as per U.G.C. norms. As the pursuit of excellence happens to be a continuous process, workshops, seminars, lecture series, faculty development programmes are held from time to time. These upgrade the information and efficiency of the teachers. The outcomes of such positive endeavors reflect on the quality of teaching.

The college is fortunate to have students from many states of India as admission is through All India Entrance Test conducted by BHU. The college follows the reservation policy of the Government of India in admission. SC/ST, OBC & PH are accordingly admitted in various UG/PG courses.

B) Achievements of Activities and Programmes

Academic Achievements –

In the academic session 2019-20, 1363 students were enrolled in the undergraduate courses and 294 in Post-graduate courses. This session 27 students were enrolled in Fashion Designing certificate course and 08 students in Spoken English Certificate course. At present the total number of Research Scholars enrolled under the supervision of our faculty members is 57. One research scholar was admitted in Deptt of Hindi in this session. Two research scholars from Deptt of Hindi and Sociology were awarded Ph.D. in this session.

Curricular Activities

Various lectures, workshops and visits were organized, both at the UG and PG levels, to impart latest information to the students and to spread awareness regarding the recent trends so as to enlighten and empower them in their academic pursuits.

The details of lectures and workshops organized by various departments are given below:-

Department of AIHC & Archeology

- Students of the Department attended in the 15th James Princep Memorial Lecture on “Gandharan and Related Coinage: The Legacy of James Princep” organized on 15.10.19 at Jñāna-Pravāha(Centre of Cultural Studies & Research,Varanasi). Speaker was Dr. Shailendra Bhandare, Ashmolean Museum,UK.
- Students participated in INTACH’s Heritage Education Programme, College Volunteer Training Workshop, organized at INTACH HECS and INTACH VARANASI CHAPTER at Arya Mahila P.G.College, Varanasi on 18.10.19.
- Students of the Department attended special lecture on “Excavations at Ayodhya (Ramjanmabhumi)”, organized by Archaeological Survey on 22.01.2020. The guest speaker was Dr. B.R. Mani (Director of Ramjanmabhumi Excavation) (Ex A.D.G. ASI, Former G.D. National Museum).
- Students of Department of AIHC & Arch. attended seven day workshop on “Historical Heritage of Kashi”, organized by Vasanta College for Women, Rajghat, from 10.02.2020 to 17.02.2020. Speakers were Prof. Vidula Jayaswal, Dr. B.R. Mani, Prof. Maruti Nandan, Prasad Tiwari, Dr. Subhash Chandra Yadav. Chief speaker in the Valedictory Session was Prof. O.N.Singh.
- On 09.11.2019, a class seminar on “Concept and Methods of History Writing in Ancient India” was organized. Students were divided in three groups: Puranas, Ramayana, Mahabharata.
- On 13.11.2019, a class seminar on “Art and Architecture of Early Medieval India” was organized. Students were divided in three groups: Temples and Sculptures of North India; Temples and Sculptures of South India ; Temples and Sculptures of Eastern India.

Department of English

- On 19.09.2019, Prof. Harish Narang from Department of English, JNU delivered a lecture on ***Translation and Transliteration*** was organized by the Department. The programme was attended by 96 students of B.A. Part III and M.A. Part I and II.
- Department organized International Poetry Festival “***Redemptive Musings***”, on 19.10.2019. The programme was attended by renowned national and international poets which included Mr. Sudeep Sen, Bhagirath Chowdhary, Dr. Jhelum Chattraj, Dr. Jernail S.Anand. The programme was attended by nearly 1000 participants including students, staff and national and international poets.
- A workshop on “Feature Journalism and Photojournalism” was organized on 28.01.2020. Miss Elka Sinha, a renowned photographer was the resource person. The workshop was attended by 84 students, and 14 students were selected for further training.
- A workshop on “Potery Recitation” was organized on 18.02.2020. The resource persons were Dr. Bina Singh, Head, Deptt of English, Dr. Niharika Lal, Associate Prof., Dr. Supriya Singh, Asst. Prof.,Dr. Purnima Singh, Asst. Prof. and Dr. Dharmendra Kumar, Guest Faculty, Deptt of English. 224 students of various Departments attended the workshop.

The Department of English, Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya organizes lectures seminar, workshop and symposiums from time to time to allow our students to explore their full potential and be guided in their quest of learning language and literature by eminent scholars, poets, writers and academicians to have an enriching effect on their academic life.

The Department of English celebrates International Mother Language Day every year as a confluence of poetry and organizes national and international poetry fests and workshops so that students have first hand experience of writing and reciting poetry. The poetry festival this year was

graced by poets across the globe and various poets presented online who couldn't grace the occasion personally.

Prof. Harish Narang's Lecture was an enriching experience for the students who look for a career in Translation and Translation Studies.

Similarly Miss Elka Sinha's workshop exposed the students to the horizons of Feature Journalism and Photo-Journalism which was also a learning experience and a career oriented guidance for students in the field of journalism and reporting.

Department of Home Science – The Department organized 3 lectures, 16 workshops and 1 exhibiton.

- A lecture on “Presentation for Job Ppportunities & Advance Studies in Field of Textiles” was organized on 06.4.2019. Resource person was Mr. M.M. Tiwari, Director NITRA, Ghaziabad. The lecture was attended by 75 students of Home Science.
- A lecture on “Diet Counselling” was organized on 19.09.2019. Resource person was Ms. Manisha Singh, Dietician of Oriana Hospital. The lecture was attended by 250 students.
- A lecture on “Anaemic Prevention in Girls” was organized on 23.09.2019. Resource person was Swami Dr. Varishthanandji of Rama Krishna Mission. The lecture was attended by 150 students.
- A workshop on “Fashion Photography for Portfolio Development” was organized on 19.08.2019. Resource person was Mr. Rajkumar Singh, Photo Artist. Around 55 students of Fashion Designing and M.A. Home Sc. attended the workshop.
- A workshop on “Handicraft Article Development” was organized from 28.08.19 to 29.08.2019. Resource person was Ms. Sadhna Gupta, Designer, Pidilite. Around 15 students of M.A. II year attended the workshop.
- A workshop on “Free Hand Painting” was organized from 11.09.19. Resource person was Ms. Sumaiya Ansari, Alumni, VKM. Around 19 students of fashion designing attended the workshop.
- A workshop on “Jwellery Designing” was organized from 20.9.19-21.09.19. Resource person was Ms. Anushree Jaiswal, IPS, Allahabad University. 18 students of fashion designing attended the workshop.
- A workshop on “Applique & Techinques of Khatwa & Traditional Embroidery” was organized from 20.9.19-21.09.19. Resource person was Dr. Shrishti Purwar, IPS, Allahabad University. The workshop was attended by 30 students of M.A. II year and B.A. III year.
- A workshop on “Pattern Making” was organized from 20.9.19-21.09.19. Resource person was Mrs. Ranjana Keshari, IPS, Allahabad University. The workshop was attended by 18 students of M.A. I year.
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- A workshop on “Block Printing & Screen Printing” was organized from 8.11.19 to 9.11.19. Resource person was Mr. Ramswaroop, Artisian. The workshop was attended by 20 students of Fashion Designing.
- A technology based enterprenuership programme on “Zari-Zardozi” was organized for the students of Fashion Designing.
- A workshop on “Madhubani Painting” was organized on 07.1.2020. Resource person was Ms. Manisha Soni, Alumni and Research Scholar. The workshop was attended by 20 students of Fashion Designing.

- A workshop on “Warli Painting” was organized on 08.1.2020 for which our resource person was Ms. Manisha Soni, Alumni and Research Scholar, VKM. The workshop was attended by 20 students of Fashion Designing.
- 20 students of Fashion Designing attended Fabric and Jewellery Workshop at IIGJ, Kuber Complex, Varanasi on 03.02.2020.
- A workshop on “Weaving Techniques” was organized on 12.02.2020 for which our resource person was Master Weaver. The workshop was attended by 50 students of Fashion Designing, M.A. I and II year.
- A workshop on “Product Development” was organized on 20.02.2020 & 22.02.2020 for which our esteemed resource person was Ms.Pooja Singh, Designer. The workshop was attended by 40 students of Fashion Designing, M.A. I and II year.
- A workshop on “Hand Printing” was organized on 19.02.2020- 20.02.2020 for which our resource person was Ms. Sadhana Gupta, Designer Pidilite. The workshop was attended by 20 students of Fashion Designing.
- A workshop on “Fashion Sketching and Block Figure Making” was organized on 26.08.2020-29.08.2020 for which our resource person was Ms.Amrita Kumari, Freelance Designer. The workshop was attended by 58 students of Fashion Designing. M.A. I year and B.A. III year.
- Fabric Jewellery Workshop for the students of Fashion Designing was held in IIGJ, Kuber Complex on 03.02.2020.
- On the occasion of World Photography Day, a one day workshop on “Fashion Photography” was organized by the Department on 19.08.2019. Ms. Rakjumar singh, Photo Artist was the resource person. Students of M.A. and Fashion Designing attended the workshop.
- Department organized Nutrition month from 6.9.19 to 7.9.19 in which around 75 undergraduate students participated in various competitions like Poster, slogan, collage, fireless cooking competition.
- An exhibition Kala Darpan was organized from 3.3.2020-4.3.2020. Approximately 800 students from VKM and other institutions visited and viewed the demonstrations of needle work, printing and various craft.

Department of Hindi

- A class seminar on ‘समीक्षा सिद्धांत’ was organized on 12.04.2019.
- Students of B.A. III year participated in Group Discussion on the topic ‘स्त्री विमर्ष’ on 25.04.2019.
- Tulsi Jayanti was celebrated on 7.08.2019. Students of UG and PG participated in the programme.
- Teachers’ Day was celebrated on 05.09.2019. Students of UG and PG participated in the programme.
- On 13.09.2019, on the eve of Hindi Diwas, Poster making and Slogan writing competition was organized by the Department. The winners were declared on 14.09.2019. In Poster Making competition- first prize was won by Ms. Ritika Singh, II prize by Chandani Vishwakarma and III prize by Sudha Yadav. In slogan competition the first prize was won by Karuna Jaiswal, second position was won by Shivani Singh, third position was won by Ms. Ananya Singh and consolation was won jointly by Rani and Renu.
- Hindi Diwas was celebrated on 14.09.2019. Main Speaker was Prof. Sriprakash Shukla, Dept. of Hindi, Coordinator, Bhojpuri Study Centre BHU. He gave lecture on the topic “हिन्दी की जातीय परंपरा व उसकी समकालीन चुनौतियाँ”. The programme was attended by students and faculty members of VKM.

Department of Music Vocal

- Students of the Department presented Kulgeet and Mangalacharan in different events held from time to time in the college:
 - Students of B.A. I and III year presented Kulgeet and Mangalacharan on the occasion of Librarian's Day on 10.08.2019.
 - Students of B.A. I, II and III year presented Kulgeet and Hindi Euology on the occasion of Hindi Diwas on 14.09.2019.
 - Students of B.A. I, II and III year presented Sarjana Geet in the inaugural session of Sarjana on 18.09.2019.
 - Students of BA I, II and III year presented Kulgeet and Annie Besant Euology on the occasion of Annie Besant Day on 1.10.2019.
 - Students of BA I, II and III year presented Flag Hosting song, poetry and patriotic song in the Republic Day function on 26.01.2020.
 - Students of B.A. I, II and III year presented Mangalacharan and Kalidas padhya in the concluding session of Sanskrit Chandogan Workshop on 29.01.2020.
 - Students of B.A. II, III and Softskill students of B.A. I year presented Sarsawati Suktpath and other Bhajans on the occasion of Basant Panchami on 30.1.2020.
 - Students of B.A. II year and Softskill students of B.A. I year presented Kulgeet and Mangalacharan in the one day National Seminar on Kautilya organized by the Dept. of Political Science on 28.02.2020.
- A workshop on "Symbolic Painting" was organized from 10-16 January, 2020. Students of B.A. II and III year (Soft Skill) participated.
- A workshop on "Vadhyas- Nirman" was organized on 27.02.2020. Resource person was Sri Satish Sharma. He demonstrated how to tune and string tanpura.

Notable Achievements of the Department

- Two students of the Department, gave performance in the prestigious stage of Varanasi "Subah- E- Banaras":
 - 1) 11.04.2019 Ms. Manjari Shukla B.A. III year
 - 2) 30.05.2019 Ms. Hemlata B.A. II year
- Ms. Manjari Shukla, student of B.A. III year secured gold medal for obtaining highest marks in Music Vocal in the BHU Convocation ceremony held on 24.12.2019.

Achievements by the Department in SPANDAN

- Ms. Aayushi Goswami – BA I year – Solo Classical – III prize
- Indian Group Song – III prize
- Jashika Sood – B.A. III year – Light Music – First Prize
- Jashika Sood – B.A. III year – Western Solo – First Prize
- Western Group Song – First Prize

SANGEET SANCHETNA

Education Visits –

- 1) Dhrupad Mahotsav – 2020 Date : 24.01.2020

Organized jointly by Shrikant Mishra Dhrupad Foundation, Varanasi; Dhrupad Sansthan, Bhopal and Faculty of Performing Arts, BHU. Students of B.A. I, II and III year attended the programme. Artist – Pt. Vinod Kumar Dwivedi (Dhrupad Artist) ; Sri Adityadeep and Sri Tetsuya Kaneko (Pakhawaj); Sri Umakant Gundecha and Sri Anant Ramakant Gindecha (Dhrupad Artist)

2) Purvacharya Memorial Sangeet Programme Date: 05.02.2020
Organized by the Faculty of Performing Arts BHU. Students of B.A. I, II and III year attended the programme.

Artist – Dr. Gyanesh Chandra Pandey (Vocalist), Sri Satish Kumar Singh (Bansuri), Dr. Swarvandana Sharma (Vocalist); Dr. B. Satyavar Prasad (Mridangam)

3) Vasintiki Date : 01.03.2020

The programme was organized by Gnana – Pravaha. The programme was based on “Gulabadi” a popular musical tradition of Varanasi. Students also witnessed museum of musical instruments. The programme was attended by present as well as old students of the Department.

Department of Music Instrumental

- Students of VI semester of Department of Music (Instrumental) performed at prestigious stage of Varanasi “Subah-e- Banaras” on 19.04.2019 under the guidance of Dr. Meenu Pathak.
- Under Sangeet Sanchetna “Felicitation Ceremony” of Padmsri Rajeshwar Acharya was organized on 03.04.2019.
- Students of the B.A. Part III of the Department visited Faculty of Performing Arts, BHU on 06.02.2020.
- Students of the B.A. Part I and II of the Department visited Faculty of Performing Arts, BHU on 07.02.2020.
- Ms. Dipti Tiwari of the Department performed solo in the inter-college youth festival “Spandan” on 23.02.2020.
- A workshop was organized on 27.02.2020. Resource person was Sri Satish Sharma. He demonstrated how to tune and string Sitar.

Department of Political Science

- A lecture by Prof. Swaran Singh, Professor and Chairperson, Centre for International Politics, Organization & Disarmament School of International Studies JNU was organized on 28.08.2019.
- A lecture on “*Citizens Amendment Act 2019*” was held on 22.02.2020. Guest Speaker was Prof. Hemant Kumar Malviya, Deptt of Political Science, BHU.
- Students of the Deptt visited Sarnath on 15.02.2020.

Department of Psychology

Guest Lectures

- On 29.08.2019 a lecture on “Human Excellence” was organized. Speaker was Prof. Jitendra Mohan Emeritus Prof., Deptt of Psychology, Panjab University Chandigarh. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. Ist semester.
- On 23.09.2019 a lecture on “Experimental Research Design” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Tushar Singh, Asst. Professor, Deptt of Psychology, BHU. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.
- On 24.09.2019 a lecture on “Social Psychology: Issues and Challenges” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Sudha Srivastava, Former Head, Deptt of Psychology, VKM. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.
- On 23.10.2019 a lecture on “Organisational Culture” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Jai Singh, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Psychology, Raipur, CG. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.

- On 13.11.2019 a lecture on “Attention and Performance” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Tryambak Tiwari, Asst. Professor, Deptt of Psychology, BHU. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.
- On 25.01.2020 a lecture on “Concept and Theories of Rehabilitation Psychology” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Usha Verma Srivastava, Senior Clinical Psychologist & Guest Faculty, Deptt of Psychology, AMPG. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.
- On 29.01.2020 a lecture on “Character Strength and Virtues: Classification assessment and nurturance” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Purnima Saxena Awasthi, Associate Professor, Deptt of Psychology BHU. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.
- On 03.02.2020 a lecture on “Methods of Neuroscience” was organized. Speaker was Dr. Yogesh Arya, Associate Professor, Deptt of Psychology BHU. The lecture was attended by 30 students of M.A. II Semester.

Workshops

- A workshop on *Rorschach Inkblot test: Administration & Interpretation* was organized on 21.10.2019. Dr. Rakesh Kumar Tripathi, Associate Professor, Deptt of Geriatric Mental Health, KGMU, Lucknow, was the resource person. The workshop was attended by 90 students of BA VI , MA II and M.A. IV Semesters.

Internship Programmes

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Field of Clinical Psychology. ➤ e.g. Preparation of case – history. ➤ Diagnostic techniques. • Counselling and Therapy 	June, 2020 (Duration : 3-4 Weeks)	Done under reputed clinical Psychologists and Psychiatrists in various Mental Hospitals and Mental health Institutes	M.A. II Semester (05 students) M.A. IV Semester (05 students)
Internships to be undertaken during June,2020, in the cities mentioned below:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Psychiatry Department, Ram Manohar Lohia, Hospital, Gomti Nagar. • The Psychiatry Department, Tihar Jail, New Delhi. • Cosmos Institute of Mental Helth and Beahavioural Science, Delhi Psychiatry Center, New Delhi. • SOS Village Bhopal. • Institute of Psychometric Assessment and counselling New, Delhi • AIIMS, Bhubaneswar. • Ranchi Institute of Neuro- Psychiatry & Allied Science, Ranchi. • Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi. 			

Throughout the session 2019 - 20, the Department of Psychology has endeavoured to expose both B.A. & M.A. students to a variety of co - curricular activities, including Guest Lectures by eminent Scholars, events reflecting Industry - Academics interface, visits to, and participation in various Internship programmes in mental hospitals in different cities of India. The department was actively engaged in conducting online academic activities also including webinars special Lectures and orientation programmes on highly relevant topics.

Not only have these activities resulted in enhancing better understanding of the study courses, but also constituted an invaluable supplement to formal teaching, fostering motivation and interest beyond classroom learning.

Department of Philosophy

- A special lecture was organized by the Department on 03.09.2019. Speaker was Prof. Balaganapati Devarakonda, Professor & Head, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi.

Department of Sanskrit

- The Vagvardhini Sabha was organized from 13.09.19 to 23.09.19. The Vagvardhini Sabha commenced in the presence of Chief Guest Dr. Kamala Pandey and Mrs. Jayshree Shukla on 13.09.2019. In all 60 students were present. It is a seminar conducted by the students. The students were trained in reciting sholka. Students of BA Part 2 and BA Part 3 benefitted from this training.
- A lecture on “Vedant Darshan” was organized on 13.02.2020. Dr. Kamla Pandey was the resource person.
- Dr. Kamala Pandey organized an e-lecture on “Praman in Samkhya Darshan” on 04.06.2020 in which some students from BA Part 1, BA PART 2 and BA PART 3 participated.

Department of Sociology

- A lecture on “*Historicism And Empiricism*” was organized on 7.11.2019. Speaker was Prof. Ajit Kr. Pandey, Head, deptt. Of Sociology, BHU, Varanasi. The lecture was attended by 100 students of B.A. III year, M.A. I & II Year and Research Scholars of the Deptt attended the lecture.
- A lecture on “*Deconstruction: An approach to understand social reality*” was organized on 27.05.2020. Speaker was Dr. Supriya Singh, Asst. Prof., English, VKM. The lecture was attended by 100 students of B.A. III year, M.A. I & II Year and Research Scholars of the Department attended the lecture.
- A workshop on “*Process of Group Interaction and Personality Development*” was held on 05.02.2020. Dr. Kalpana Anand, Dept. of Sociology, VKM was the resource person. The workshop was attended by 34 students of M.A. Previous year, Sociology.
- A workshop on “*Crime in India*” was held on 15.02.2020. Dr. Kalpana Anand, Dept. of Sociology, VKM was the resource person. The workshop was attended by 45 students of B.A. Final year, Sociology.

Departmental Achievements – Two students of M.A. II year of the Department of Sociology qualified NET examination in the session 2019-20 :

1) Ms. Kiran Pathak

NTA Ref. No. 190520599241

Roll No. – UP1805216154

Result Date – 31.12.2019

2) Ms. Sarvagya Shree

NTA Ref. No. – 190520547573

Roll No. – UP1805218615

Result Date – 31.12.2019

C) Extra-Curricular Activities

SARJANA- The Academic and Cultural Forum

Events of Sarjana 2019-20 were organized in two phases. Phase I started on 18th Sept 2019 and continued till 21st Sept 2019. whereas Phase II was organized in the Feb 2020 from 6 to 8 Sixteen literary and fine art events were organized in Phase I including Photography, Cartooning, Documentary making, Collage, Poster - making, Mehandi, Rangoli, Essay writing, Speech, Poetry recitation, Elocution, Debate, Group discussion, Turncoat, Quiz, and Business Planning.

The events of Phase II were devoted to visual arts. Competitions of vocal music, instrumental music, theatre and dance took place in this Phase.

The cultural fest was inaugurated by the former Principal of Sunbeam School, Ms. Anuradha Bhatia and the valedictory session was graced by the famous theatre artist Shri Rati Shankar Tripathi.

Overall 350 students participated in the various events of Sarjana out of which 62 obtained gold medal, 63 silver medals, 49 bronze medals and 72 students were encouraged with the consolation Prize.

Besides this 90 students participated as volunteers in the Documentation, Decoration and Hospitality Committee of Sarjana.

SPANDAN

The Inter Faculty Youth Festival 'Spandan 2020' was organized by BHU from 23-27 February, 2020, in BHU, in which 100 students of UG and PG participated in different events. In all the College won 14 prizes and was the Second Runner Up. The details are as below:

- **First Prize** – Light Vocal Solo, Group Song Western and Western Vocal Solo, Short Play
- **Second Prize** – Dance Classical Solo, Choreography, Sanskrit Poetry Recitation, Skit, Collage Making, Poster Making, Cartooning, Mehandi
- **Third Prize** – Classical Vocal Solo, Group Song Indian

SPORTS

Details of students participated in various sports in the session 2019-20

S.No	Nme of the students and class	Name of the sport and date	Details	Others
1.	Ritika Chaurasa B.A. II year	Taikwando 20.10.2019	Won gold medal +18 year -45 Kg wt	Organized by Commando Academy of Martial Arts at Suman Motors, Nirala Nagar, Lane No.5, Mehmoorganj, Varanasi.
	Sanjana Kannoujia Ba I year		Won silver medal +18 year - 45 Kg wt	
	Manisha Mourya BA I year		Won bronze medal +18 year -45 Kg wt	
	Archanta Bharti BA III year		Won silver medal +18 year - 50 Kg wt	
	Shivanhi Kumari BA III year		Won bronze medal +18 year -50 Kg wt	
	Khushboo Kumari BA III year		Won silver medal +18 year - 55 Kg wt	
	Ranjana Chaurasia BA II year		Won bronze medal +18 year -55 Kg wt	
	Deekhsa Jaiswal BA I year		Won gold medal 16-17 year -59 Kg wt	
	Meenakshi Rai BA I year		Won silver medal +18 year - 59 Kg wt	
	Sakshi Gupta BA III year		Won gold medal +18 year - 63 Kg wt	
	Drishti Bhattacharya		Won silver medal +18 year -	

S.No	Nme of the students and class	Name of the sport and date	Details	Others
	BA III year		63 Kg wt	
	Ritu Jaiswal BA III year		Won bronze medal +18 year -63 Kg wt	
2.	Astha Pandey B.A. I year (AIHC & Arch)	Badminton 26-30 September 2019	Selected for next level to play at Atal Bihari Bajpayee Univ, Bilaspur, Chattisgarh on 03-06 November, 2019. Participated	Inter Faculty Badminton Competition – 2019 organized by BHU.
	Kritika Wadhava B.A. I year (Home Sc.)			
	Pushpa B.A. III year (Psychology)			
	Priyanka Jaiswal B.A. I year (Painting)			
4.	Tanya Khatri B.A. II year (Economics)	Swimming, September 2019	Participated	Inter Faculty Swimming Competition – 2019 organized by BHU.
5.	Poonam Saini B.A. II year (Psychology)	Kabaddi Trial Match 13.12.2019	Participated	Two students of the college were selected for next level in the Kabaddi Trial organized by BHU.
	Parul Kumari B.A. II year (Sociology)			
	Rashi Pathak B.A. II year (Philosophy)			
	Shivani Singh B.A. I year (Sanskrit)			
	Shruti Pandey B.A. I year (English)			
	Suman Kumari B.A. I year (Sociology)		Selected for next level	
	Nisha Yadav B.A. II year (Sociology)			
7.	Neeti Raj	Basketball Competition 25.01.2020	Participated	Inter Faculty Basketball Competition – 2019 organized by BHU.
	Anushka Ghoshal			
	Manisha Gupta			
	Pranjal Raj Anand			
	Shrishti Agrahari			
	Akansha			
	Deeksha			
	Kavita Sonkar			
	Gurpreet Kaur			

Every year the College organizes Annual Sports Meet. But due to Covid-19 Pandemic, this year it was not organized.

NCC

- Anushka Ghoshal of UNIT-28 UP GIRLS BN NCC, BHU scored AYE GRADE in 'B' CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION held in 2019 & attended MILITARY HOSPITAL ATTACHEMENT CAMP in 2019(secured first position in theory & practical of basic medical assistance during emergencies).
- Pallavi Kumari of B.A. II year, Political Science participated in NCC.

NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

One Day Camp

- On 14.09.2019 at 12.00 pm in the afternoon in Room Number -14 of Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya, all the five units organized Swami Vivekananda Chicago Speech Memorial Lecture. On this occasion the Keynote Speaker Dr. Shanta Chatterjee, Head, Department of Sanskrit made the volunteers aware about the importance of the great Speech delivered on 11 September, 1893 at Chicago in the Parliament of the World Religion and made the world aware about the brotherhood of the global community and established the service of humanity as the only religion. In her Lecture Dr. Shanta Chatterjee enlightened the students for their responsibility towards society and also highlighted the similarities between Swami Vivekananda and Annie Besant. In the afternoon from 2.30 to 3.30, the students participated in the quiz session titled 'Sadbhavna ke Vaste, Sanvidhan ke Raste'. Five Day Skill Development Workshop was organized from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm.
- On 17.09.2019, College and Sajha Sanskriti Manch in collaboration organized 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandh. Various programmes were organized to commemorate the day. The programme was inaugurated by a singing troop holding a Business Book of World Record. With their invigorating voice filled a sense of social responsibility in the students. Father Anand of Sajha Sanskriti Manch requested the student volunteers to work together for attaining National Compassion and constitutional ideals. With the help of a short film, he emphasized the importance of secularism and universal brotherhood. Adding to the theme Sajha Sanskriti Manch presented a powerful short play on "Bhookh Banam Dharma" and later Dr. Anoop Shramik had an interactive session with student. He referred to the provisions in the Constitution for secularism and human rights. Jagriti Rahi of Juvenile Justice Court also gave examples from constitution In her interaction with students. N.S.S Programme Officers highlighted the role of Mahatma Gandhi and B.R.Ambedkar in formulating our Constitution which is based on coexistence and mutual respect. It is important to remind the countrymen about it from time to time. In this regard the volunteers of N.S.S have an important role to play. The programme ended by felicitating the five programme officers for their exemplary contribution concluded with a group sing in which everyone participated.
- On 29.09.2019, in Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth, Kashiyana Foundation organized a National Seminar on Gandhi Ji's view on "Nasha Mukta Bharat". In this students of First Unit Radha Kumari, Nisha, Jyoti Yadav and Juhi (BA 2nd Year Arts) participated and earned certificates.
- On 22.10.2019, N.S.S. of Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya and Sajha Sanskriti Manch, Sadbhavna Sangam and Vishwa Jyoti Sanchar Samiti in joint collaboration organized a conference on World Peace commemorating the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi and various cultural events were organized to commemorate the day. On this occasion the volunteers were felicitated by Muktakashiya Manch for their outstanding contribution towards society.

Cleanliness Drive & Seven Day Camp

A Cleanliness Drive was organized by NSS from 1.8.19 to 15.8.19. The activity included cleaning of the college campus including office, staff room, class rooms, Library, canteen and labs by NSS Volunteers. Plantation of trees, Cleanliness Awareness Rally and a seminar on cleanliness was also organized. Volunteers also spread awareness about cleanliness in the neighbourhood areas.

A seven day camp was organized between 09.02.2020 to 17.09.2020. Based on the objectives of community service, the students of the college in the seven day camp completed their resolution of service to humanity. Fulfilling the objective of the camp the volunteers were thoroughly trained and we're made aware about their responsibility towards the society. Thus, the dual aim of the camp was

achieved. The four Units worked in four wards of Varanasi putting in their full effort. The four wards selected by the Units were- Birodpur, Bhelupur, Nagar and Bhadani.

The guest speakers included- Ms. Sarita Mishra, District Coordinator for elimination of Filariasis; Dr. Bharti Rastogi, Associate Professor, Dept. of Sociology, MGKVP, Dr. Manoj Kumar Srivastava, Vice President, National Dental Health Association, Dr. Bala Lakhendra, Coordinator, NSS, BHU, Dr. Purnima Mishra, Dr. Umesh Chandra and Dr. Siddarth Mittal.

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

The College has registered itself in the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan in March 2018, a programme launched by the Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD) for enabling the villages in India to achieve sustainable development and better quality of life. The College has adopted 5 villages to conduct the programme. Several visits of students and teachers have been made in the adopted villages to establish familiarity with villagers and to know their major problems. In all villages a meeting was conducted with gram pradhan for assessing the rural development programs running through gram panchayat. Household survey and village survey were done in selected villages with the help of more than 100 students. This facilitated our students to experience village environment and village life and they gained motivation for contributing in village development. A health awareness and women empowerment workshop has been conducted in village Kukuraha. In village Babatpur a workshop on vermicompost and its use in organic farming of vegetables has been conducted and a self help group of 10 women was formed for the purpose. A visit to Anganwadi Kendra in Babatpur village was conducted for assessing the various programmes running through it. A plantation programme was conducted with the association of Lions club and students of primary school in Babatpur.

International Poetry Fest

An International Poetry Festival was organized by Department of English on 19.10.2019. The occasion was graced by poets from across the world and various authors from across the globe participated through Audio-visual Presentation.

The "International Poetry Fest: Redemptive Musings was graced by World Renowned Poet Sudeep Sen who delivered the Keynote address and the Guest of Honour, Mr. Bhagirath Chowdhary, Renowned Author and Academician and chaired by Dr. Jernail Singh Anand, Former Head, Department of English, DAV College, Punjab.

Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal, Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya welcomed the guests. She introduced the guests to the audience and made them aware of the glorious history of the college and Annie Besant's contribution in the field of education. She stressed on the importance of Positive Poetry for the solution of problems prevalent in society.

In her address Smt. Uma Bhattacharyya, Manager, Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya welcomed the guests and emphasized on the importance of poetry as poems are the medium to express our emotions. That's the reason why poetry touches everyone's heart. On this occasion the collection of poems Redemptive Musings was inaugurated by the guests. Dr. Bina Singh, Convener of the Poetry Fest presented the Concept Note. As a Subject Expert Sudeep Sen presented the picturization of his poem Silence and presented the poem "Prayer Flag": A Creative collaboration between Sudeep Sen and Shovana Narayan. The session was compered by Dr. Niharika Lal, Organizing Secretary of the poetry fest.

The fest continued into three sessions, two in English and one in Hindi which saw presentation of poems by nearly 70 poets from across the globe. Some International poets also presented their poems virtually through videos. The anthologized poets include Aneeta Chitale from Maldives, Antonio J.

Rivas Melean from Venezeuela, George Onsy from Egypt, Isah Wisdom from Nigeria, Jyotirmaya Thakur from London, Mary Lynn Luiz from USA, Pramila Khadun from Mauritius, Muhammad Shanazar and Shahid Abbas from Pakistan. Tariq Muhammad from North Carolina and India, Selvam Pujari from Nepal, Anchal Rana from Bangalore, Sudeep Sen from New Delhi, Jernail Singh Anand, Head and Principal, DAV College Punjab. Renette Dsouza from Mumbai Anil Deshwal Dash from Haryana, Arindam Roy from Gurgaon, Aruna SriMedipally from Telangana, Bhagirath Chowdhary, Binay Laha from West Bengal, Brajesh Kumar Gupta "Mewadev" from Banda, Bhanumati Mishra from BHU, Debender Sahu from Mumbai, Ezil Vendhan, Iranii Saikia, Jaweed Ahmed from Hyderabad, Jhilam Chattaraj from Hyderabad, Manjula Asthana Mahanti, Molly Joseph from Kerala, Manju Singh from Sitapur, Manthena Damodar Chary from Telangana, Meenakshi Goswami from Assam, Neha Kumari, BHU, Otteri Selva Kumar, Tamilnadu, Parmananda Mahanta, Odisha, Perugu Ramakrishna from Andhra Pradesh, P.S. V. Prasad Sahu, Telangana. Parshuram Rao Gande from Karimnagar, Rajbabu Gandham, Rakuomoni Saikia from Assam, Ranjana Saran Sinha from Nagpur, Ranu Uniyal from Lucknow, Ramesh Singh from BHU, Rita De West Bengal, Sengepu Nageswara Rao from Telangana, Shikha Chatterjee from Allahabad, Sunita Paul from Kolkata, Vandita Dharni from Allahabad, Vinamrata from Muzaffarpur, Bihar, Volivoju Sammaiah Chary from Telangana, Williamsji Maveli, Bindi Sharma and Anuradha Banerjee, Rachna Srivastava, Bina Singh, Kamala Pandey, Asha Yadav, Banibrata Mahanta, Shanta Chatterjee, Nairanjana Srivastava, Supriya Singh, Manju Kumari and Purnima were the local participants.

The programme ended on the bank of River Ganges. The Valedictory was conducted by Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya in collaboration with Subah-e-Banaras. It was a dazzling evening with performances by Sri Somyakanti Mukherjee, Anamika Prasad, Jashika Sood and group which saw rendition of gazal, geet and Bhartnatyam performance. The programme was conducted by Dr, Bina Singh and Dr. Seema Verma.

D) Awards of Excellence (Students)

Scholarships, Medal and Prizes –

Each year, prestigious scholarships and one gold medal, awarded by alumni and retired teachers of the College, are given to meritorious students. During 2019-20, the following prizes and scholarships were given to students-

S.No.	Scholarship Name	Students Name	Class	Subject
1.	Radheshyam Sharma Scholarship	Ms. Deepali Sihare	B.A. III Year Arts	
		Ms. Kriti	B.A. II Year	
2.	Smt. S. K. Dar Scholarship	Ms. Kirti Verma	B.A. II Year	
3.	Smt. Radha Sinha Smriti Scholarship	Ms. Anamika Prasad,	B.A. III Year	Psychology
4.	Late Roop Narayan Attrey Puraskar	Ms. Sakshi Mishra	B.A. I Year Arts	
5.	Late Shiv Mangal Pandey Smriti Purakar	Ms Khushboo Singh Patel	B.A. I Year (Social Sc.)	
6.	Smt Prabh Nath Vyas Smriti Puraskar	Ms. Kanak Ranjan Chaubey	M.A. II Year	Home Sc.
7.	Sri Ramnath Vyas Smriti Scholarship	Ms.Urvashi Kumari Gupta	B.A. II Year	History
		Ms. Jyoti Kumari	B.A. II Year	Economics

8.	M. V. Kalvint Smriti Scholarship	Km. Manajri Shukla	B.A III Year	Music Vocal
9.	Late Leelawati Devi Smriti Puraskar	Ms. Devanshi Verma	B.A III Year	Psychology
		Ms. Puja Rawtani	B.A. III Year	Home Sc.
10.	Late Sushil Narayan Dubey Smriti Puraskar	Ms. Suruchi	B.A III Year	Economics
		Ms. Anand Shubham	B.A III Year	Economics
11.	Late Ramti Devi & Dr. Balkrishna Dubey Smriti Puraskar	Ms. Yashasvi Rai	B.A III Year	Philosophy
		Ms. Deepti Pal	B.A III Year	Philosophy
12.	Rani Lokeshwari Devi Smriti Scholarship	Ms. Anjali Jaiswal	B.A III Year	Home Sc.
13.	Triveni Devi & Kishori Raman Prasad Memorial Scholarship	Ms. Radha Kumari	B.A. II Year	
		Ms. Harshala Pradhan	B.A. II Year	
14.	Lt. Laldhari Pathak Swatantrata Sangram Senani Swarna Padak	Ms. Urvi Mishra	B.A III Year	Economics
15.	Smt. Sheela Sahasrabudhey Sanskrit Puraskar	Ms. Renu Pal	B.A. III Year	Sanskrit
		Ms. Abhilasha Patel	B.A. III Year	Sanskrit

Eight students of the college were awarded BHU gold medal for securing highest marks in their respective subjects -

S.No	Name of the student	Award
1.	Ms. Ananya Kanth	BHU Medal for securing I position in B.A. Hons. Political Science, Final examination, 2019.
2.	Ms. Urvi Mishra	BHU Medal for securing I position at B.A. Hons. Economics Final Examination 2019
3.	Ms. Jyoti Rani	Ms. Soumita Dutta Memorial Gold Medal for First Position in BA English BHU Medal for securing I position in BA English Sri Durga Dutt Iswari Dutt Prize of Rs.100/-
4.	Ms. Priya Pandey	Aghoracharya Baba Kinaram Gold Medal for securing highest CGPA in BA Philosophy BHU Medal for securing I position in B.A. Philosophy Bhagwan Das Prize of Rs.100 Prof. T.R.V. Murti prize of Rs.100/-
5.	Ms. Manjari Shukla	BHU Medal for securing I position in B.A. Music Vocal
6.	Ms. Huma Khatoun	BHU Medal for securing I position in B.A. Painting Kumar of Sant Rampur Prize of Rs. 100/-
7.	Ms. Shivangi Mishra	Randhir Singh Padak for securing First position among Lady candidates in B.A. Sanskrit
8.	Km. Anjali Jaiswal	BHU Medal for securing First position in Home Science Rani Vishnupal Kumari Prize of Rs. 100/- for first position in Home Science

E) Student Centric Activities

The various cells of College organized different activities, programmes and workshops throughout the session to enable the students and staff to enhance their educational, professional and personal skills under the aegis of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). Significant activities of IQAC in the session 2019-20 are as below:-

- In view of obtaining regular feedback and opinion of parents/ guardians who are one of the major stakeholders of the institution, IQAC held a Parent Teacher Meet on 02.04.2019. On this occasion Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal, made the parents aware of some important rules of the College. Dr. Indu Upadhyay, Co-ordinator, IQAC, shared the achievements and activities of the college with parents through PowerPoint presentation. About 50 parents participated in the meet, shared their experiences with the college and gave their valuable suggestions.
- A lecture on “Participation of Women in Labour Market” was held on 27.09.2019, by IQAC. The speaker was Dr. Ellina Samantroy, Co-ordinator, Centre for Gender and Labour V V Giri National Labour Institute, Noida. The lecture was attended by faculty members and 50 students of the college.
- A meeting of Non-teaching Staff on 22.01.2020. The meeting was addressed by Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal and Dr. Indu Upadhyay, Coordinator, IQAC. Working environment and organizational behaviour were discussed. Diary and pen were distributed to staff members.
- A meeting of Faculty Members was held on 23.01.2020. The meeting was addressed by the Principal, Prof. Rachna Srivastava. Committee wise duty distribution for the next semester and upcoming schedule of all departments including guest lectures and seminars were discussed.
- IQAC and Women Study Cell ‘Udaan’, organized a two day Industrial Motivational Campaign in collaboration with Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME) on 14.02.2020 and 15.02.2020. In the programme the subject experts shared their views to make students aware towards self employment. The resource persons were Dr. Nitish Dhawan, Asst. Commissioner, UP Handloom and Textiles; Ms. Roli Singh, Asst. Manager, Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI); Sri P.K.Mishra and Sri Dinesh Singh, Asst. Director, The Khadi and Village Industries Commission; Sri Samar Abbas, Branch Manager, SBI; Sri Pramod Srivastava, Factory Member, Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad. On 14.02.2020, the programme was attended by 140 students of B.A. III year and M.A. I & II year. On 15.02.2020, the programme was attended by 50 students of B.A. III year and M.A. I & II year.

Student Advisory and Discipline Committee Report

1. Students participated in “Aakar”, an Inter College Youth Fest, organized by Sunbeam College For Women, Varuna, Varanasi on 29.01.2020. The Chief Guest of the event was Dr. Deepak Madhok, Chairman, Sunbeam Group of Educational Institution. Total three prizes were won by students in this Inter- youth Fest. Jashika Sood won first prize in Solo song, Nukkad naatak got second place and Anshu kumari won third prize in Sports, lemon race. 30 students of UG and PG of the College, participated in the programme.
2. Students of the college participated in “Vividha”, an Inter College Youth Fest, organized by Sunbeam College for Women, Bhagwanpur, Varanasi from 01.02.2020 to 02.02.2020. The Chief Guest of the event was Dr. Deepak Madhok, Chairman, Sunbeam Group of Educational Institution. Total four prizes were won by students in this Inter College Youth Fest. Ms. Anamika Prasad won second prize in Solo Classical dance. Ms. Khushi Gupta and Gauri got first prize in English Debate and Bipasha Banerjee won second prize in Newspaper Canvas painting.

3. An orientation programme for the students of Vasant Balika Vihar, College Hostel was organized on 22.08.2019. Prof. P.Krishna from Krishnamurti Foundation of India Rajghat, Varanasi was the guest speaker. His words of advice and guidance to the girls were keys to prepare them to embark upon a new journey of their life.

Academic Activity Committee

In view of the importance of burning issue of Citizens Amendment Act and emanating controversies leading to Shaheen Bagh protest, it was considered pertinent to create awareness among students. As such a debate on “Citizens Amendment Act” was organized on 22.02.2020 in the seminar hall of VKM. Chief Guest was Prof. Hemant Malviya. 40 students of BA Part I, II, and III participated.

Sanskrit Matrimandalam

Sanskrit Matrimandalam organized Chandogaan Workshop from 10 Jan 2020 to 29 Jan 2020. Resource persons were Dr. Kamala Pandey, Dr. Hema Krishnan (VCW), Dr. Vikash Dixit. The topic of the workshop was “*Shashtartha Mahvidya*”.

The students were trained to properly and correctly recite Sanskrit shlokas and chhand. In this training programme students of BA Part 1 , BA Part 2 and BA Part 3 VKM participated along with students of the Department of Sanskrit Faculty of Arts and Research Scholars of Prachya Vidya. YouTube Channel of Sanskrit Matrimandalam was inaugurated

Udaan – Women Study Cell

- A one month computer course was organized by the Cell. 86 students from the college were enrolled for one month computer course. They were divided in four batches. Four instructors (Ms Neha Kumari, Ms Mahjabin Fatma , MS. Jyoti Kumari, And MS. Deepshikha) conducted the classes. 36 students completed their course successfully and received the certificates. (30.8.2019 – 30.9.2019)
- A lecture cum interaction session was organized on “Cyber Literacy” in collaboration with SAARC, Varanasi and Youth Day committee on 06/09/2019. Ms. Ranjana Gaur from SAARC was the resource person.
- A lecture on Entrepreneurship Skill Development was organized on 09/09/2019 in collaboration with Deptt of Home Science. Mr. Rajesh Bhatiya was the keynote speaker.
- A “Two days industrial motivational campaign for unemployed youth towards self employment” was organized on 14/02/2020 & 15/02/2020. The programme was organized in collaboration with IQAC, VKM and MSME, Varanasi with the following panel of experts:
 1. Dr. Nitesh Dhawan , Assitt Commissioner, UP handloom and textiles
 2. Ms. Roli singh, Assitt Manager, SIDBI
 3. Sh. K.P.Mishra, Assitt director, KVIC
 4. Sh. Dinesh Singh, Assitt. Director, KVIC
 5. Sh. Samar Abbas Rizvi , Branch Mangaer, SBI
 6. Sh. Parmod Shrivastava, Faculty Member, EDI, Ahmedabad
 7. Smt Abhilasha Poddar, M.D., Samyak Creation
 8. Sh. V.K. Rana, Assitt, Director, MSME
 9. Sh. Surendra Sharma, Assitt. Director, MSME
 10. Sh. Rajesh Chauhan, Assitt. Director, MSME300 students of VKM attended this event.

- International Womens day was organized on 05.03.2020. Chief Guest was Dr Vidhi Nagar, Associate Professor, faculty of Visual arts, and Guest of honor was Smt Uma Bhattacharya, Manager , VKM. 16 students got Udit Samman, and 36 students received computer training certificate on this occasion from the Principal Prof. Rachna Srivastava and the guests of the day.

Seminars & Workshops organized during the session

One Day Seminar on Understanding Statecraft and Inter-State Relations in Kautilya's Arthashastra

A one-day seminar on “**Understanding Statecraft and Inter-State Relations in Kautilya's Arthashastra**” was organized on 28th February, 2020 by Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya. It was the part of a project sanctioned under the IMPRESS scheme of ICSSR, entitled ‘**State-craft, Mandal Theory and Six-fold Policy in Kautilya's Arthashastra: The Contemporary Relevance.**’ Key note speaker was Colonel P.K. Gautam, Consultant, Institute for Defense Studies and Analysis. Chief Speaker was Prof. Rakesh Upadhyay, Bharat Adhyayan Kendra, Banaras Hindu University along with Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Project Director and Principal, Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya.

Col. P.K. Gautam elucidated Mandal theory and Six-fold policy of Kautilya's Arthashastra, also presenting relevant examples from current international order. Prof. Rakesh Upadhyay threw light upon Ancient Indian and Western political thought, explaining value of Kautilya and his epic work. Prof. Rachna Srivastava explicitly pointed out the proficiency of Kautilya's statecraft in Arthashastra, its implimentation in Mauryan administration and the journey between disappearance and resurfacing of Arthashastra. She also explained the immense possibilities present in Kautilya's Six-fold policy and Mandala theory that could be useful for India in present times.

The seminar initiated discussions not only on State-craft, Mandal Theory and Six-fold policy of Kautilya's Arthashastra but also on the means to be used to strengthen the state. It also brought out as to how Arthashastra served as a commentary on the high-level of diplomacy prevailing in Kautilya's era. Other eminent guests present were Smt. Uma Bhattacharyya (Manager, VKM), Mr. P.H. Gohil (President, Indian Section of Theosophical Society), Mr. V. Narayanan (Treasurer, Indian Section of Theosophical Society) along with teachers and several students. The theme presentation was done by Dr. Ashish Kr. Sonker and Vote of Thanks was given by Dr. Poonam Pandey, the organizing secretaries of the seminar.

Seven Day Workshop on E-Content Development 27.04.2019 to 3.05.2019

Under the aegis of Vasant Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Seven Day Workshop on “E-Content Development” was organized from 27.04.2019 to 3.05.2019. The workshop commenced with the welcome note of Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal VKM, Concept Note was presented by Dr. R.P.Sonkar and the Keynote address was delivered of Dr. S.K. Tiwari, Deputy Director, HRDC, BHU on “Journey from E-Content to MOOCs and SWAYAM (2007-2017) and discussed that digital creation and development of course material electronically is e-content development. The process of e-content development began 12 years back in 2007. It is the medium through which students can develop global competence and learn from distant educators across the globe. With the help of technology MOOC course is run by the name SWAYAM in India. In 2005 with the help of EDUSAT network, 58 Universities were connected. The chief aim of e-content is to create new knowledge and to disseminate existing knowledge. The workshop was conducted by Dr. Shubhra Sinha and vote of thanks was presented by Mr. Shashikesh Kumar Gond.

On 28.04.2019, on the second day of the Workshop Chief Guest Dr. J. Sarkar, System Manager, Computer Center, Banaras Hindu University presented his views on the use of ICF in education. He discussed various usages of internet and gave important information on how to access various educational websites and resources. The programme was conducted by Dr. Manoj Kumar Singh, and Dr. Kalpana Anand delivered the formal vote of thanks.

On 29.04.2019, Prof. N. Prasad, Dean, Central Library, BHU presented his views on “Access to Information Resources. He pointed out that valuable information is present around us in the form of text, voice, film etc. He gave information on each source in detail. The programme was conducted by Dr. Akhilesh Rai and vote of thanks was given by Dr. Supriya Singh.

On 30.04.2019, Dr. Sri Ram Pandey, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Library and Information Sciences gave online demonstration on ‘How to Access Online Educational resources. He also highlighted the use of OER and how to access and create OER. How to download and use free online material for referencing was also discussed by him.

On 01.05.2019, Prof. Vivek Kumar Singh, Department of Computer Science, BHU delivered lecture on the topic - Scholarly Article Search & Academic Visibility.

On 02.05.2019, Dr. Sneha Tripathi, Assistant Librarian, VLIR-UOS Scholar, Central Library, Banaras Hindu University, delivered lecture on Plagiarism. Prof. Aditya Tripathi, Library and Information Science, BHU delivered lecture on the topic “How to develop E-content for teaching & learning”.

On 03.05.2019, Sri Brijesh Kumar Chaurasia, Professional Assistant, VKM delivered lecture on the topic - Useful tools for E-Content Development. The valedictory session of the Seven Day Workshop commenced with the Valedictory Address of Prof. Rachna Srivastava. The report was read by the Co-Convener of the Seven Day Workshop, Dr. Shashikesh Kumar Gond and the vote of thanks was given by Dr. R.P. Sonkar.

Celebration of Important Days and Anniversaries

Besides holding curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, College also promotes the sense of discipline and respect for tradition, eminent personalities and values among its students by celebrating various days and jayantis.

International Yoga Day

The International Yoga Day was celebrated on 21.06.2019 disseminating the fact that yoga can contribute in a holistic way to achieve an equilibrium between mind and body. Staff of the college participated with full interest and enthusiasm.

Tulsi Jayanti

Tulsi Jayanti was celebrated on 7.08.2019. Relevance of Tulsidas literature in present scenario was discussed. About 100 students of UG and PG participated in the programme.

Librarian’s Day

Librarian’s Day was celebrated on the occasion of 127th Birth Anninversay of Padmshri Dr. S.R. Ranganathan (Father of Library Science) on 10th August 2019. To commemorate the occasion contribution of Dr. S.R. Ranganathan in the field of Library Science and development of Indian Librarianship was discussed. The programme was attended by students and staff.

Hindi Diwas

On 14.09.2019 from 1.00 pm onwards “Hindi Diwas Fortnight” was celebrated. Prof. Shree Prakash Shukla, Department of Hindi, Banaras Hindu University was the Chief Guest. He presented lecture on “Hindi Ki Jaati ya Parampara va Uski Samkaleen Chhunautiyan”. In his lecture he said that, to give a meaningful dimension to the flexibility of Hindi language the authors of Hindi language have played a very important role. Scholars like Bhartendu Harishchandra, Mahatma Gandhi and Madan Mohan Malviya struggled to establish Hindi language as a medium of instruction and get it a place in the Indian Constitution. This helped the students to learn in their mother tongue and quench their quest for knowledge.

Dr. Asha Yadav welcomed the Guest and presented the Concept Note. She presented the crux of “Hindi ki Jaatiya Parampara”. While chairing the session Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal, enriched the students with her valuable address and encouraged the students to take pride in Hindi language.

On 13.09.2019, a day prior to the event was dedicated to the cause of Hindi language and Poster and Slogan Competition were held for students to increase awareness for the use of Hindi language and the results of the event were declared on 14.09.2019. In poster competition Ritika Singh got first position, Chandni Vishwakarma got Second Position and Sudha Yadav got 3rd position. In the slogan competition Karuna Jaiswal, Shivani Singh and Ananya Singh received the First, Second and Third positions respectively; while Rani and Renu received consolation prizes. Commemorating the occasion the Department of Music presented a melodious song on “Hindi Language”, the song was presented under the able direction of Dr. Seema Verma, Department of Music Vocal and was accompanied by Sri. Saumya Kanti Mukherjee on tabla. The programme was organized and conducted by Dr. Sapna Bhushan; and Dr. Shashi kala presented the formal vote of thanks. On this occasion Dr. Tripti Rani Jaiswal, Dr. Shanta Chatterjee, Dr. Nandini Verma, Dr. Madhuri Aggarwal, Dr. Swarvandana Sharma, Dr. Meenu Pathak, Dr. Aarti and others made their valuable contributions.

Youth Day

157th Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda was celebrated as Youth day on 11th January, 2020. Swami Varishthananda ji from Ramkrishna Mission was the guest speaker. He delivered the lecture on the topic “Inculcating Values among Youth for Nation Building”. Around 200 students and staff attended the lecture.

World Photography Day

On the occasion of World Photography Day, a one day workshop on “Fashion Photography” was organized by the Department on 19.08.2019. Ms. Rakjumar singh, Photo Artist was the resource person. Students of M.A. and Fashion Designing attended the workshop.

Progression of Annie Besant Spirit

On 1.10.2019, a programme was organized to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Annie Besant. On this occasion Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal, VKM discussed the educational ideals of Annie Besant as an integral part of student life and described Annie Besant as India’s true ally. On this occasion keynote speaker Dr. Swarvandana Sharma linked Dr. Annie Besant with music and presented a very important dimension of Annie Besant’s life to the audience.

Continuing the celebration of her birth anniversary, on 25.10.2019 an essay and poster competition was organized and the winners of the competition were felicitated by Manager, Mrs. Uma Bhattacharya and Principal, Prof. Rachna Srivastava. On this occasion Dr. Manju Kumari with the help of Annie Besant Quiz introduced the students to the life, personality and work of Dr. Annie

Besant. The programme began with Kulgeet and was followed by Annie Besant song penned by Dr. Asha Yadav and composed by Dr. Meenu Pathak. Kulgeet was performed under the direction of Dr. Seema Verma. Vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Shashikala. The programme was successfully hosted by students, Miss Sakshi and Miss Divyanshi Srivastava. On this occasion all faculty members along with members of the committee were present. The herculean task of judging various events was performed by Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Dr. Shanta Chatterjee, Dr. Asha Yadav, Dr. Purnima and Dr. Arti Kumari. The programme was organized by Dt. Shashikala and Dr. Nairanjana Srivastava.

Antar-rashtriya Matribhasha Diwas

As per the directives of University Grants Commission, Antarrashtriya Matribhasha Diwas “*Kashi Kavyanjali*” was celebrated on 20.02.2020. The programme was organized by the Dept. of English. The programme began with Kulgeet and floral tribute to Dr. Annie Besant, the founder of the College. The guests were welcomed by Dr. Bina Singh, Head, Deptt of English and felicitated by Principal, Prof. Rachna Srivastava. The chief guest of the programme was retired Principal of Women’s College, BHU, Prof. Chandrakala Tripathi, a scholar of Hindi literature. Prof. Tripathi in her address spoke about the significance of mother tongue. She focussed on the language and silence of women and also the sweetness and beauty of Bhojpuri. The programme was celebrated with poetry recitation in Sanskrit, Marathi, Gujrati, Bhojpuri, Hindi, Urdu, English and Bangla. About 60 poems were presented. The manager of the college Mrs. Uma Bhattacharyya in her address threw light on the significance of emotions and feelings in the creativity and fluidity of language. Programme was attended by a large number of students and teachers of not only VKM but also of other local colleges.

F) Eminent Visitors to the College

From time to time eminent guests visited the college and shared their valuable thoughts and experiences with students and faculty members. A brief list of such visitors is given below:

S.no	Name of Event and Date	Guests visited
1.	Seven Day Workshop on E-Content Development. Date :- 27.04.2019 to 03.05.2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. S.K. Tiwari, Deputy Director, HRDC, BHU
2.	Lecture by Deptt of Political Science. Date:- 28.08.2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Swaran Singh, Professor and Chairperson, Centre for International Politics, Organization & Disarmament, SIS, JNU.
3.	A lecture on “Human Excellence” was organized by Deptt of Psychology. Date : 29.08.2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Jitendra Mohan, Emeritus Prof., Deptt. of Psychology, Panjab University Chandigarh
4.	Lecture by Deptt of Philosophy. Date : 03.09.2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Balaganapti Devarakonda, Prof. & Head, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi.
5.	Lecture on <i>Translation and Transliteration</i> organized by the Deptt of English. Date :- 19.09.19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Harish Narang from JNU
6.	Lecture on “Participation of Women in Labour Market” organized by IQAC Date:- 27.09.2019.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Ellina Samantroy, Co-ordinator, Centre for Gender and Labour V V Giri National Labour Institute, Noida.

7.	International Poetry Fest “The Redemptive Musings” Date :- 19.10.2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr.Sudeep Sen, World Renowned Poet • Mr. Bhagirath Chowdhary, Renowned Author and Academician. • Dr. Jernail Singh Anand, Former Head, Department of English, DAV College, Punjab
8.	Youth Day Date :- 11.01.2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swami Varishthanand, Ramkrishna Mission, Varanasi
9.	Two days industrial motivational campaign for unemployed youth towards the self employment organized jointly by IQAC and Women Study Cell “UDAAN” Date :- 14/02/2020 & 15/02/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Nitesh Dhawan , Assitt Commissioner, UP Handloom and Textiles • Ms. Roli singh, Assitt Manager, SIDBI • Sh. K.P.Mishra, Assitt director, KVIC • Sh. Dinesh Singh, Assitt. Director, KVIC • Sh. Samar Abbas Rizvi , Branch Manganer, SBI • Sh. Parmod Shrivastava, Faculty Member, EDI, Ahmedabad • Smt Abhilasha Poddar, M.D., Samyak Creation • Sh. V.K. Rana, Assitt, Director, MSME • Sh. Surendra Sharma, Assitt. Director, MSME • Sh. Rajesh Chauhan, Assitt. Director, MSME
10.	A one day seminar under ICSSR project; on “ <i>Understanding State craft and interstate Relations in Kautilya’s Arthashastra</i> ” organized by Project Director, Prof. Rachna Srivastava. Date :-28.02.2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Col. P.K.Gautam, Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis (IDSA) • Prof. Rakesh Upadhyay, Bharat Adhyan Kendra, BHU.

G) Educational visits and outreach programmes

- 50 students of Deptt of Home Science visited Kiran Viklang Kendra on 03.04.2019.
- 35 students of M.A. I & II year of Home Science Deptt visited Trade Centre, Badlapur on 05.04.2019.
- 35 students of Fashion Designing and M.A. I, II year of Home Science visited IIGJ, Kuber Complex on 12.09.2019.
- 40 students of B.A. III year of Home Science visited Oriana Hospital, Ravindrapuri, Varanasi on 13.09.19 to 14.09.2019.
- 20 students of Fashion Designing visited Trade Centre, Badlapur on 04.12.2019.
- 55 students of Fashion Designing, M.A. I & II year of Home Sc. visited IICT, Bhadohi on 13.02.2020.
- 20 students of M.A. I year, Home Sc., visited TFC, Varanasi on 18.02.2020 & 19.02.2020.
- Students of Deptt of Political Science and Philosophy visited Sarnath on 15.02.2020.
- Students of B.A. I, II and III year of Deptt of Music Vocal attended Dhrupad Mahotsav 2020 on 24.01.2020 organized jointly by Shrikant Mishra, Dhrupad Foundation, Varanasi; Dhrupad Sansthan, Bhopal and Faculty of Performing Arts, BHU.

- Students of B.A. I, II and III year of Deptt of Music Vocal attended Purvacharya Memorial Sangeet Programme on 05.02.2020.
- Students of the Deptt of Music Vocal attended musical programme “Vasintiki”, organized by Gnana-Pravaha, Varanasi on 01.03.2020. They also visited the museum of old musical instruments.
- Students of the B.A. Part III of the Deptt of Music Instrumental (Sitar) visited Faculty of Performing Arts, BHU on 06.02.2020.
- Students of the B.A. Part I and II of the Deptt of Music Instrumental (Sitar) visited Faculty of Performing Arts, BHU on 07.02.2020.
- 30 Students of M.A. IV Semester of Deptt of Psychology visited Old Age Home, Sharda Ashram, Ram Krishna Mission on 19.02.2020.
- Students of Deptt of Sanskrit visited Jnana-Pravaha on 21.03.2020.

H) Academic Contribution of the Faculty Members –

For details please refer to Annexure –A

I) Achievements of Faculty members (National / International)

- **Prof. Rachna Srivastava, Principal, Dr. Mamta Mishra, Head, Deptt of Philosophy, Dr. Seema Verma, Associate Professor, Deptt of Music Vocal, Dr. Manoj Kumar Singh, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Philosophy and Dr. Pratima Singh, Deptt of Philosophy** were honored by Guru Vandan Karyakram organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad – Swami Ramtirth ji ka Yogdaan “Ojaswi”, 22nd October, 2019, for their contribution in the field of education.
- **Dr Anjulata Singh, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Psychology, VKM**, received **IPA Academic Excellence Award-2020** (Presented by Indian Psychological Association at 107th Indian Science Congress held at University of Agricultural Sciences Bangalore during January 3-7, 2020).
- **Dr. Garima Upadhyay, Associate Professor, Home Science**
 - received Hero against Fight of Diabetes Award 2020 at Madhumeh avam Hridyaghat Mukh Bharat Abhiyan.
 - National Nutrition Award 2019, at India International Centre by Nutriion and Natural Health Sciences, Association, New Delhi.
 - was awarded third in poster presentation 2019 ‘Bio preservation as ecologically benign approach for food safety’ during National workshop on “Recent advancement in food packaging and preservation held on 8th June 2019 at Kamdhenu Hall, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
- **Dr. Anshu Shukla. Assistant Professor, Deptt of Home Science**, was sanctioned project under IMPRESS scheme of ICSSR entitled “Assessing marital attitude of unmarried adolescents for various domains (marriage, co residence and family formation)”
- **Dr. Sunita Dixit. Assistant Professor, Deptt of Home Science**, was sanctioned project under IMPRESS scheme of ICSSR entitled “Ergonomic Intervention for Occupational Health Hazards faced by Handloom Weavers in Varanasi”.
- **Dr. Purnima, Assistant Professor, English**, received Hero against Fight of Diabetes Award 2020 at Madhumeh avam Hridyaghat Mukh Bharat Abhiyan.

J) Non-teaching Activities :-

- **Dr. Amit Kumar Ishwar, Tabla Accompanist, Deptt. of Music Instrumental (Sitar)**, performed in the welcome programme on 12.02.2020, organized by ICCR, of Vice President of Vietnam Mrs.

Dang Thi Ngoc Think. He was felicitated by Sri M.Venkaiah Naidu, Vice-President of India, organized at Hyderabad House, New Delhi.

- performed in the felicitation ceremony of President of Myanmar, Mr. Win Myint and his wife Lady Daw Cho Cho, organized at Hyderabad House, New Delhi at 27.02.2020. He was felicitated by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Sri Narendra Modi. The programme was organized by ICCR.

- Under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, **Sri Vishal Prajapati, LDC**, attended the Regional Workshop for participating Institutes, to initiate work in adopted village cluster in north regions of the country, in collaboration with AICTE and UGC on 20.06.2019, in IIT, BHU.

K) Placement Services and Training Programmes

Guidance and Counselling Cell

Apart from rendering regular counselling services to students, the cell organized two student centric programs during the session 2019-20.

The finely crafted lectures by eminent resource persons provided comprehensive information about the career opportunities in teaching profession from primary to higher education and the proper manner of making impressive CV and facing interviews.

- On 16.09.2019, a lecture on **Careers in teaching** was organized. Dr. Priyanka, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Home Science was the resource person for the event. The lecture was attended by students of B.A. III year and M.A. II year.
- On 10.02.2020, a lecture on **Preparing for a Successful Career: How to make CV and Face Interview** was organized for which Dr. Tushar Singh, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Psychology, BHU, was the resource person. The lecture was attended by 90 students of B.A.VI, M.A. II and M.A. IV Semesters.

Placement Cell

The cell enlightened and educated the final year students of BA and MA about different job opportunities available to them. Out of those, 4 students of M.A. (H.Sc) have joined 8 weeks internship in December, 2019 in Indian Institute of Gem and Jewellery Design, Varanasi.

L) Campus Development / New Infrastructure created

A new building of the College, to accommodate new classes, is coming up in the premises of the Theosophical Society, Indian Section. It comprises 11 classrooms, 3 labs, 1 staff room, 4 store rooms and is equipped with elevator and stilt parking facility. A new hostel building, Rohit Mehta Bhawan, has also been constructed in the premises of the Theosophical Society, with a capacity to accommodate more than 150 students. The same was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, BHU, Prof. Rakesh Bhatnagar on 23.07.2019.

M) Innovative Teaching and Research programmes

- Classes conducted through online platforms and e-content was shared in the form of PDF, PPT, Youtube lectures etc. from time to time with the students.
- **Dr. Anshu Shukla, Assistant Professor**, Deptt. of Home Science, was sanctioned project under IMPRESS scheme of ICSSR entitled "Assessing marital attitude of unmarried adolescents for various domains (marriage, co residence and family formation)"
- **Dr. Sunita Dixit, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Home Science**, was sanctioned project under IMPRESS scheme of ICSSR entitled "Ergonomic intervention for Occupational health hazards faced by handloom weavers in Varanasi"

N) Academic Collaborations / MOU

An MOU was signed between the college and Social Action and Research Center (SARC) from 1.07.2018 for the next three years, in order to develop collaboration for counselling, training and other academic activities and to promote mutual understanding between the college and SARC in mutually beneficial areas, as in the past years.

O) Library Facilities, number of books, periodicals, research publications added to the library during the year

The college library organized various programs including library orientation and book fair to make students aware of the importance of the library as an educational resource. They have been informed about the different online and offline study materials availability and the process to access that.

Overall the events organized helped the optimum utilization of library resources and enhanced the interest of the students in their course.

The details of the programme is as below :-

- Librarian's Day was celebrated on 10.08.2019 in the Reading Room of the Library. Students and Staff of VKM attended the programme.
- Library Orientation Programme for students of B.A. I Semester (Social Sciences) was organized on 24.08.2019; for the students of B.A. I Semester (Arts) was organized on 26.08.2019; for the students of M.A. I year (All Group) on 27.08.2019 in the seminar Hall. Mr. Brijesh Chaurasia, Professional Assistant. along with other library staff was the resource person.
- Book Exhibition was held on 26 & 27 September 2019 and 30.09.2019.

P) Number of Ph.D Awarded

In this session two research scholars were awarded Ph.D. The details are as below –

- Ms. Baby Sonkar of Deptt. of Sociology was awarded Ph.D. She was doing her research under the supervision of Dr. Kumud Ranjan, Head Department of Sociology.
- Mr. Sujeet Sehgal of Deptt of Hindi was awarded Ph.D. He was doing his research under the supervision of Dr. Sapna Bhushan, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Hindi.

Q) NET / JRF /GATE/ CSIR etc.

Two students of M.A. II year of the Department of Sociology qualified NET examination in the session 2019-20 :

1) Ms. Kiran Pathak

NTA Ref. No. 190520599241

Roll No. – UP1805216154

Result Date – 31.12.2019

2) Ms. Sarvagya Shree

NTA Ref. No. – 190520547573

Roll No. – UP1805218615

Result Date – 31.12.2019

R) Future Goals

- To accelerate academic excellence.
- To equip the new building with modern equipments.
- To introduce B. Com Course and establish the Department of Statistics and Mathematics
- To organize lectures, seminars, symposiums and workshops on relevant topics to increase awareness amongst the stakeholders.
- To develop e-content for available courses.
- To encourage faculty members to update their knowledge
- To organize lecture/workshops on MOOC courses.
- To organize training programmes and skill development programmes to make students job ready and future ready.
- To provide training of self- defence to the students.
- To make the students volunteer for spreading awareness towards heritage conservation.
- To facilitate job placement of students.
- To propagate moral and theosophical education.
- To make students aware of their social responsibility
- To sensitize youth towards rural development.
- To enable students to combat life and learning challenges posed by COVID-19 pandemic.