

O/O THE PRINCIPAL GOVT. HOME SCIENCE COLLEGE
SECTOR 10-D, CHANDIGARH

10.09.2024


IQAC meeting was held on 10.09.2024 in the office of the undersigned at 10:30 am

Agenda:

- Ensuring seamless curriculum delivery for the semester
- Preparation for upcoming Panjab University Youth and Heritage Festival
- Conduct of activities boosting skill enhancement
- Celebrations of Poshan Maah
- On the spot agenda as per due permission from the chair

The following members were present for the same:

1. Dr. Reetinder Brar – In charge
2. Dr. Neha Sharma
3. Dr. Namrata Sethi
4. Dr. Gaurav Kalra
5. Dr. Shabana Gandhi
6. Ms. Akshata Verma
7. Ms. Sakshi
8. Anupreet Sobti – Student Representative
9. Poonam Bhardwaj – Student Representative
10. Anuja Nanda Malik – President Alumni Association
11. Dr. Himesh, CEO and Founder Skill Labs


Principal,
Govt. Home Science College,
Chandigarh



MINUTES OF IQAC MEETING HELD ON 10. 09. 2024

Action taken report of the previous meeting was discussed:

S.No.	AGENDA OF THE LAST MEETING	ACTION TAKEN
1.	Ensuring smooth conduct of ongoing final semester examinations as per university guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Final semester practical and theory examinations were conducted smoothly as per guidelines issued by Panjab University Centre and Deputy Superintendent from the college were nominated for co coordinating all examination related activities
2.	Prospectus preparation and guidelines for admission to be set	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The prospectus was released in accordance with the guidelines set by Chandigarh Administration for centralized admissions The admission process began smoothly on 15th June for undergraduate courses followed by post graduate courses
3.	Review of new syllabus and scheme of studies as per NEP guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The syllabus and scheme of studies was approved by Board of Studies and Faculty of Science, Panjab University. The new NEP aligned syllabi has been implemented in the academic session 2024-25 for the new incoming students. The faculty and students were given an in-depth orientation program to explain the guidelines of NEP.
4.	Admission duty list as well as help desk duty list to be prepared for upcoming new session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admission and Annual Duty list for the session was duly prepared and the faculty was notified of the same at the staff meeting during the end of the previous academic session A help desk was set up during the vacations to facilitate any queries regarding admissions. Faculty members on rotation basis were put on duty at the help desk helping solve all admission related issues.
5.	Awards and Achievements of Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Aaina Kaushal of M.Sc. Foods and Nutrition (Sem 4) was awarded 5 thousand cash as third prize in poster presentation on her dissertation based work 'Diabetic-Conducive Patient Care via Finger Millet-based Pasta Utilisation' in National Scientific

		<p>Conclave organised by EPIC (Empowering Physicians in International Practices for Advanced Patient Care)- 2024, Sweet Diabetes Foundation in Hyatt Regency, Chandigarh on 19th May, 2024</p>
6.	<p>Commemoration of important days and flagship programs of the Government was ensured through conduct of various activities related to –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebration of World Environment Day • Celebration of International Yoga day • Celebration of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking • Awareness Session on Newly Enacted Criminal Laws • Observation of Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign • Organization of Session on Transgender Inclusiveness • Organization of Session on Co-existence with Other Living Beings • Celebration of Independence Day • Celebration of Akshay Urja Diwas • Celebration of National Sports Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To mark the World Environment Day, college organized Tree Plantation Drive. 20 NCC Cadets planted trees and medicinal plants inside the college premises under the able guidance of worthy Principal of the college, Prof. Sudha Katyal. All the NCC Cadets participated with great enthusiasm and zeal. • To celebrate 'International Yoga Day' observed every year on June 21, Five Days Online Yoga Session kick started in college on June 17, 2024 for both faculty and students. The camp involved the conduct of yoga activities as well as awareness sessions about the health benefits of yoga through demonstrations and talks. • College celebrated 'International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking as an expression of its determination to strengthen action and cooperation to achieve the goal of a nation free of drug abuse' on June 26, 2024. To mark the celebrations of this day, an online awareness session was organised for the students to sensitise them regarding the harmful effects of drug use and abuse. The theme of the session was 'The Evidence is Clear: Invest in Prevention'. Mrs. Seema Sharma along with Dr. Neha Sharma, (Coordinators of the session) enlightened the students regarding ground realities related to drug abuse. They further elaborated on various reasons of youth getting into substance abuse and its impact on their overall health. More than 50 students participated with enthusiasm in the session and promised to contribute their part as a responsible citizen in supporting the society against the problem of drug abuse.

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• College conducted an online awareness session on newly enacted criminal laws Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam (BSA) which came into effect from July 01, 2024. The session was aimed to educate the students and faculty about these laws. Ms Madhu P. Singh (Ex- Justice, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh) was the resource person. She is also currently serving as a Practicing Advocate at Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh and a Proud Alumni of our college.• College observed Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign in the campus. The campaign started with Poster making and Slogan writing to invoke the feeling of patriotism in the hearts of the students and promote awareness about the tricolor. Around 60 NSS Volunteers made beautiful posters and wrote slogans to showcase their love for the tricolor, honoring brave hearts and freedom fighters. NSS Wing also organized Tiranga Yatra to add to fervor of Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign. More than 70 NSS Volunteers participated with great zeal and became a part of Tiranga Yatra. In collaboration with Horticulture Wing, Engineering Department, Chandigarh Administration, college also participated in the "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam", One Tree at a Time, a Tree Plantation Drive to mark the celebrations of upcoming Independence Day.• Transgender Cell organized an awareness session on 9.8.24 on the implementation of 'The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019. Mr. Amit was the resource person of the session. He is currently serving as a Counsellor, Transgender Awareness Cell in the Department of Social Welfare, Panjab University, Chandigarh. He highlighted about the challenges and difficulties faced |
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by the transgender and clarified various common myths on who transgender are.

- NSS Wing in collaboration with Peedu's People, an international nonprofit organization conducted an awareness session on 'Co-existence with Other Living Beings' on August 09, 2024. The event, facilitated by Mr. Inder Sandhu (Founder of the organization) was a transformative fun filled experience for the enthusiastic NSS Volunteers focusing on animal protection and understanding their rights. The session aimed to raise awareness about proper treatment of animals and various ways of co-existence with them.
- The 78th Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm. The event started with the hoisting of the national flag by the Principal of the college, Prof. Sudha Katyal followed by the National Anthem. Students gave enthralling performances on patriotic songs and showcased unity in diversity by donning the attire of different states. Tiny tots of Chaitanya Laboratory Nursery School also participated enthusiastically in the celebrations and gave mesmerising performances. NCC Cadets and NSS volunteers performed beautifully through singing and dancing on the tunes of patriotic songs.
- The Environment Society- Harita celebrated Akshay Urja Diwas, sponsored by CREST, Chandigarh Administration on August 21, 2024, on the theme "Impact of Akshay Urja in India." Various Intra-college competitions such as **Poster Making, Slogan Writing, Jute bag Painting and T-shirt Painting** were organised for the students, aimed to create awareness about importance and developments of renewable energy in India. Around **120 students** participated wholeheartedly in the competitions. In **poster making competition: Neha (BSc**

FD 2nd Year) bagged 1st prize, Vanshika (MSc Clothing & Textiles) bagged 2nd prize, Khushi (BSc FD 3rd Year) bagged 3rd prize and Farzana (BSc Home Science 1st Year) bagged consolation prize. In **Slogan writing competition: Sania (BSc FD 2nd Year) won 1st prize,** Poonam Bhardwaj (MSc Human Development 1st Year) won 2nd prize, Karishma Sharma (PGDFD) won 3rd prize and Pawanpreet Kaur (BSc Home Science 1st Year) won consolation prize. In **T-shirt painting competition: Bishnu Kumari (BSc FD 2nd Year) won 1st prize,** Tanisha (MSc Clothing & Textiles 2nd Year) won 2nd prize, Luxmi (MSc Clothing & Textiles 1st year) won 3rd prize and Mannjot (MSc Clothing & Textiles 2nd Year) won consolation prize. In **Jute Bag painting competition: Lawanya Sharma (BSc FD 2nd Year) won 1st prize,** Sukanti (MSc Clothing & Textiles 1st year) won 2nd prize, Anjali Nagpal (MSc Clothing & Textiles 1st year) won 3rd prize and Shifa (BSc Home Science 1st year) won consolation prize.

- College proudly celebrated **National Sports Day on August 28-29, 2024** to commemorate the birth anniversary of the legendary hockey player, Major Dhyan Chand, often revered as one of the greatest sportsmen in Indian history. The rationale of the event was to bring together students, faculty, and sports enthusiasts to pay tribute to the iconic figure whose legacy continues to inspire generations. The celebration commenced with a series of sports competitions, including **volleyball, table tennis and yoga demonstrations,** allowing students to showcase their talents and engage in friendly competition. The event got an overwhelming response as more than **100 students** participated wholeheartedly in the various events. The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm and camaraderie, reflecting the true essence of National Sports Day.

7.	Orientation Session Conducted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College welcomed its new academic batch of 2024-25 with an engaging and vibrant orientation programme on August 13, 2024. The event was meticulously designed to introduce the newcomers to college's rich heritage, academic culture, entrepreneurial opportunities and start-up ventures. The event kick started with an inspiring inaugural address by the Principal of the college, Prof. Sudha Katyal, who welcomed the new students and emphasized the importance of academic excellence, personal growth, and community engagement. Redefining the already established meanings of the initial four letters of alphabets i.e. (A for Attitude, B for Be Self Driven and Self-Motivated C for Acceptance of Challenges and changes and D for Dedication and discipline). Following the welcome address, Prof. Reetinder Brar provided an overview of the rules and regulations to be followed by the students in the campus. Moreover, students were introduced to various departments, faculty members, and student support services such as Diet Counseling, Personal Counseling and placement and entrepreneurial opportunities. Additionally, representatives from the student union and various clubs shared insights into the vibrant campus life and encouraged new students to actively participate in co-curricular activities. The event concluded with a campus tour, where students were introduced to the state-of-the-art resources and infrastructure available to them. • Similarly Orientation program of resident students was also conducted on 30.08.2024, where they were apprised of all the rules and regulations of Hostel life. After the orientation program an interactive session on Stress Management and Character Building was held by Swami Bhitiharananda Maharaj, presently serving as a secretary of Ramakrishna Mission Ashram, Chandigarh. Swami ji emphasized on quintessential aspects of life, which were followed by torch bearer of Indian spiritual knowledge systems and revered saint Swami Vivekanand ji, such as Healthy lifestyle, Time management and Mindfulness along with some
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		<p>relaxation techniques. He also encouraged residents of hostel to indulge themselves in productive activities that help them to maintain equilibrium in their life styles and reduce their stress level. In his concluding words, Swami ji stressed that regular practice of stress-reducing techniques and seeking support when needed can contribute to a more balanced and fulfilling life. Principal of the college, Prof. Sudha Katyal motivated students to involve in recreational activities and made them understand that stress management is essential for maintaining both mental and physical well being. By implementing these strategies, they can improve their quality of life and enhance their overall well-being.</p>
8.	Accolades won by college	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our college has been ranked at 51st position in NIRF India Rankings 2024, which was announced by the Honorable Education Minister of Government of India, Mr. Dharmendra Pradhan. Our college is the only College in tricity to achieve this distinguished achievement of ranking in top 51 colleges of India this year. Maintaining its legacy of excellence, college has been ranking in top 100 colleges for 6th time consecutively in a row which is a testament to its wonderful achievements and distinctions in all the academic spheres.

9.	Workshops and Entrepreneurial Skill Building Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College organized one day Rakhi Mela on Aug. 17, 2024. The main objective was to provide a platform to the students to exhibit and sell handmade Rakhis specially prepared for the festival. The budding entrepreneurs of the college displayed innovative rakhis varying from elegant yet simple threads to ornate ones studded with pearls and stones. The price range varied from Rs.10 to Rs.100. To endorse the festive spirit, many students also put up heena stall and food stalls including bhel Puri, Golgappe and millet cakes. The stalls attracted a huge footfall. There was a heavy rush of students and employees, crowding the stalls to pick up Rakhis from an array of eye catching designer Rakhis. • An empowering workshop on Personality Development and Menstrual Hygiene was successfully conducted on 23/8/2024. The workshop aimed to empower students with essential life skills and knowledge, fostering both personal and professional growth. The Workshop was organized in collaboration with Proctor and Gamble and Right Side Story as the training partner. More than 150 students of B.Sc., M.Sc. and Diploma enthusiastically participated in the event. The session was led by Ms. Aditi, Counseling Psychologist, Right Side Story, who delivered an engaging and insightful presentation. Students were given Goodies including Whisper sanitary pads and razor kits sponsored by Proctor and Gamble, in the concluding session of workshop. All participants were also awarded with certificates on successful registration for the workshop.
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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Similarly college organized a workshop on Menstruation and Personal Hygiene on August 29th, 2024 for over 150 students from UG and PG hostel residents. The resource persons for the event were Ms. Aditi, Counselling Psychologist, Right Side Story (NGO) and Ms Avni, Marketing Head, Right Side Story(NGO) who emphasised on the necessity of creating a balance between personal and menstrual health to lead a healthy life style. Both the speakers encouraged students to 'Be Their Own Boss' by being confident, independent and being comfortable in their own skin. They clarified the doubts of the students regarding their menstrual well being and busted several myths regarding menstruation and personal health in managing a healthy lifestyle. They further motivated students to grow and prosper by taking care of themselves and not neglecting their health. They explained the importance to recognize that menstruation is a natural and healthy part of life. Strategies like maintaining a healthy lifestyle, practicing self-care, and seeking support when needed can help maintain confidence and manage the effects of menstruation. In concluding part of the workshop, students were provided a sanitary kit from Procter and Gamble. Principal of the College, Prof. Sudha Katyal, emphasised that menstrual health is a natural part of life and it's important that we create a supportive and inclusive atmosphere where no one feels uncomfortable or isolated because of it. She also stressed that our college is committed in providing access to necessary resources, such as hygiene products and health education, so that all students can manage their menstrual health with dignity and confidence. |
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Activities to support holistic development of students

- The Literary Society hosted a vibrant and engaging event titled '**Dress as Your Favourite Character**' within the premises of the college. It brought together students from various departments for a day of creativity and camaraderie. The event saw an impressive turnout, with participants enthusiastically donning costumes that paid homage to their beloved literary, cinematic, and animated characters. The participants showcased their costumes, demonstrating their passion for the characters and their incredible attention to detail and craftsmanship. Adding to the charm were several photo booths and themed backdrops where students could capture memories of the day as their beloved characters. A panel of judges evaluated the costumes based on originality, accuracy, and creativity, with prizes awarded to the most outstanding participants. The winners, **Jiya, from B.Sc. Home Science (Most Creative Costume), Jiya, from B.Sc. FD (Best Overall Costume), Vaidehi and Manya from B.Sc. Home Sc. (Best Group Costume)** received accolades and prizes for their outstanding efforts, with costumes that truly brought their characters to life. Special recognition was also given to those who crafted their costumes by hand, showcasing impressive skills in design and craftsmanship.
- College organized '**Talent Hunt cum Freshers' Fiesta**' on **8.9.2024** for the new batch of students. The college provided wonderful platform to new students to showcase their hidden talent and creativity. Multifarious competitions were organized, including **literary, poem recitation, dance, singing, rangoli and mehndi**. Each category saw enthusiastic participation. The day was fun-filled and a wonderful way for students to build confidence, connect with their peers, and celebrate their diverse abilities. **Mahi of**

B.Sc. Fashion Designing and Muskan of B.Sc. Home Science were crowned 'College ke Tashanbaaz'. The event was sponsored by 93.5 Red FM and Ligo Bags.

- College was abuzz with excitement as it hosted a vibrant **Talent Hunt cum Fresher's Party for resident students**, welcoming over 176 new students, including 85 from PGGC-11, Chandigarh, for the 2024-25 batch. The event, filled with energy and cheer, saw the presence of hostel committee members, faculty and the College Principal, Prof. Sudha Katyal. The festivities were further enhanced by a dynamic sound setup, including Mic, Sound and DJ, worth Rs. **10,000 sponsored by Health Direct Nutriva.** The event kicked off with the auspicious lighting of the lamp, symbolizing the start of a new journey for the students. Following this, a series of exhilarating activities unfolded, featuring a stunning fashion show, cultural performances, and a talent showcase where students wowed the audience with their creativity and skills. The standout performers were felicitated for their exceptional contributions, receiving titles such as **Ms. Freshers, Best Hairdo, Ms. Confident, and Best Dressed.** In her closing remarks, Prof. Sudha Katyal, Principal, congratulated the winners and applauded the remarkable talent displayed by the freshers. She encouraged the students to embrace college life with enthusiasm and commitment. Her motivational speech inspired the audience, setting a positive tone for the year ahead.
- **Student Council Elections** were held on the campus on 5.9.24 as per Panjab University rules and guidelines. All the students willingly came forward to vote for their office bearers. A large turnout was seen for the elections. **Poonam Bhardwaj** of M.Sc. HD was elected **College President, Kirti Dhiman** B.Sc FD was elected **Vice President** and **Neelakshi** from B.S. HD was unanimously elected as **Secretary.**

Agenda items along with suggestions given in IQAC meeting held on 10.09.2024:

S. No.	AGENDA	SUGGESTIONS
1.	Ensuring seamless curriculum delivery for the semester 2024-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The time table and workload for the new session to be prepared and uploaded • Ensuring regular conduct of classes, timely completion of syllabus and revision before midterm and final examinations • Date sheet for Mid Semester Examinations to be prepared and conducted
2.	Preparation for upcoming Panjab University Youth and Heritage Festival events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students to be identified and preparation and rehearsals to be conducted for upcoming Youth Festival
3.	Conduct of activities boosting skill enhancement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To plan and conduct webinars, seminars, workshops focusing upon skill enhancement
4.	Celebrations of Poshan Maah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poshan Maah to be observed in the month of September and activities conducted in sync with the themes of Poshan Abhiyaan
5.	Exhibition by Clothing and Textiles As part of Textiles week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibition as part of the Tex-Style Week celebration will be organized, where students will showcase their range of innovative and sustainable products.
6.	Preparation of Syllabus as per NEP 2020 for 2 nd year of B.Sc Honors in Home Science and B.Sc Fashion Designing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The syllabus for these classes will be prepared and the same will be sent for approval for Panjab University Academic Boards and bodies to be implemented from 2025-26