

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

13.3.2026



IQAC meeting was held on 13.3.2026 in the office of the undersigned at 10:30 am

Agenda:

- Ensuring smooth conduct of ongoing practical and theory examinations as per Panjab University guidelines
- Admission duty list as well as help desk duty list to be prepared for admissions in new session
- Preparation and release of prospectus
- Boosting admissions for the upcoming session
- Preparation and release of college magazine
- 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. Shabana Gandhi
4. Dr. Namrata Sethi
5. Dr. Gaurav Kalra
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
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Chandigarh


MINUTES OF IQAC MEETING HELD ON 13.3.2026

Action taken report of the previous meeting was discussed:

| S.No. | AGENDA OF THE LAST MEETING | ACTION TAKEN |
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| 1. | Conduct of final PU examinations of all classes as well as completion of submission and uploading of internal assessment on PU portal | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PU final examinations were held as per university guidelines in the month of December. The Centre Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent were appointed and duties were assigned to staff members for invigilation • Heads of all the departments ensured that hard copies of internal assessment of all the courses were submitted to the examination committee and the same were uploaded on the PU portal. • Marks for all the external practicals conducted were uploaded on the PU portal. • Mid Semester Examinations for all the classes was conducted in the month of March. |
| 3. | Conduct of skill building and capacity enhancement activities and Placement drive to be planned for the current session | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College celebrated National Startup Day by organizing an online awareness- session on Startup building-From passion to Profession- under the aegis of the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC) on 20.1.2026. The programme was conducted for undergraduate and postgraduate students with the objective of fostering entrepreneurial thinking and innovation-driven careers. The session provided insights into the startup ecosystem in India, government startup policies, and the essential stages of startup building including idea generation, problem identification, innovation, funding avenues, incubation support, and mentorship. Students were encouraged to explore startup opportunities aligned with their academic disciplines and societal needs. • College organized an educational visit to Jhumroo Restaurant, an innovative food venture known for its strong farm-to-fork philosophy and emphasis on millet-based cuisine on January 30, 2026. The restaurant is led by the celebrated chef and entrepreneur Chef Vikas Chawla, who is widely recognised for his commitment to promoting healthy and sustainable food practices through millets. The visit was organized as a part of the curriculum |

for the subject Entrepreneurial Ventures in the Food Industry, with the objective of providing students of M.Sc. Foods and Nutrition (4th Semester) with hands-on exposure to the functioning, management and vision of a successful food enterprise. The experience proved to be highly enriching, blending nutrition science, entrepreneurship and real-world business insights.

- College organised a **Pre-Placement Talk** by ICICI Bank under the aegis of the Directorate of Higher Education, Chd. Admn. with the objective of preparing students for future career opportunities in the banking and corporate sector. The session was conducted by Mr. Rajesh, Regional Head, and Ms. Shivali, HR Head, ICICI Bank. The speakers provided comprehensive insights into the organisation's recruitment process, **career pathways, work culture, and the skills** expected from aspiring professionals. The experts emphasised the importance of communication skills, professional ethics, adaptability, and continuous learning in today's dynamic corporate environment. They offered a lucrative stipend amount of rs. **18000/- pm. during two months** training by the bank followed by package of 5 lacs per annum for post of relationship manager.
- A **one-week Yoga session** was conducted. The initiative was organized for NSS volunteers with a focus on their physical, mental and emotional well-being. During the session, volunteers actively participated in various yogic practices including asanas such as Tadasana and Sethu Bandhasana along with pranayama techniques like Brahmari, Anulom Vilom and Kapalbhathi. **More than 150 NSS volunteers** attended the session which brought a sense of relief, alertness and renewed freshness among the participants. The Yoga session proved to be highly energizing and rejuvenating offering a calming and enlightening experience to all the volunteers.
- College organized a **one-day workshop on "Role of Artificial Intelligence in Research"**

under the aegis of its Institutional Innovation Council, aiming to familiarize research scholars and postgraduate students with the emerging applications of artificial intelligence in academic research. The workshop was specially curated for PhD scholars and MSc students, keeping in mind their needs related to dissertation writing and research work. The session was led by Ms. Neha Sethi, who served as the resource person for the event.

- **Around 60 school students from Govt. Model High School, Sector 50, Chandigarh, visited College,** as part of an educational exposure programme aimed at providing insight into higher education, skill development, and career opportunities in the field of Home Science. The visit enabled students to understand the practical relevance of subjects through direct interaction with laboratories and facilities.
- An online orientation session under **the IBM Skills Build Program titled "I Can Become"** was successfully organized for students to introduce them to industry-ready career opportunities and free courses on digital skill development. The orientation informed students about various virtual courses offered free of cost under the program, including AI Foundations (ISTE & IBM), Cybersecurity Architecture, and Career Launch: Be an Entrepreneur, designed to equip learners with industry-relevant digital competencies. These courses will be provided free of cost, along with certification from IBM, enabling students to enhance their professional growth and career prospects. The orientation, held virtually on 17 February 2026, witnessed enthusiastic participation from more than 200 students from diverse streams of Home Science. Students expressed keen interest in enrolling for the free courses and appreciated the opportunity to gain exposure to real-world skills and structured learning pathways through this initiative.
- Colleg organized an **educational industrial visit to the Ortech Textile Plant of Tynor Orthotics Private Limited, Mohali** on February 18, 2026. The visit commenced with a

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| | | <p>comprehensive overview of the company's journey, mission and innovation-driven growth in the meditech domain, presented by Ms. Jaspreet Kaur, Assistant Manager. Her address enabled students to understand the organization's evolution and its contribution to advanced orthopedic and healthcare textile solutions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College organised an insightful session on Financial Literacy for NSS Volunteers on 18.02.2026. The session aimed to spread awareness about smart financial planning, savings and investment among youth. The resource person for the session was Mr. Arun Punia from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), Government of India. He delivered an engaging and informative lecture on the importance of managing personal finances wisely at an early stage of life. |
| 4. | Preparation for upcoming functions such as Sports Day and Annual Convocation Cum Prize Distribution | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College successfully organized its 59th Annual Athletic Meet on March 10, 2026. The one-day sporting extravaganza was marked by enthusiasm, vibrant energy and a strong spirit of sportsmanship among students. The event was inaugurated by Prof. Sudha Katyal, Principal of the College and Chief Guest, who unfurled the college flag and administered the oath-taking ceremony, formally declaring the meet open. The programme commenced with a synchronized march past by the students, led by Senior Under Officer and Parade Commander Manya (B.Sc. Dietetics, 3rd Year) and Sports Captain Shivani (M.Sc. Human Development, 1st Year). The ceremonial Presidency Torch was then lit by the college's outstanding athletes, symbolizing perseverance, dedication and excellence in sports. The event was further graced by Ms. Pranshi Arora, an international sportsperson and accomplished young fencer from Chandigarh, who attended as the Guest of Honour. The day witnessed enthusiastic participation in a variety of track and field events, including 100m, 200m and 400m relay races, long jump, shot put, discus throw and javelin throw. A special attraction of the event was the delightful performance by the |

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| | | <p>tiny tots of Chaitanya Laboratory Nursery School, which captivated the audience. The cultural segment also featured impressive student performances, including a graceful Manipuri dance, yoga demonstrations and a vibrant Bhangra performance, adding colour and cultural richness to the celebrations. At the conclusion of the meet, Kashish was honoured with the Best Athlete Award for her outstanding performance across multiple events, while the Best Marching Contingent Award was bagged by B.Sc. Home Science, 3rd Year.</p> |
| 5. | Extension Activities and Activities in sync with key Government initiatives | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under the Government of India's key initiative, Sarthi Project, NSS volunteers of actively participated in providing help and support to needy patients and their families at PGIMER, Chandigarh from January 20 to February 02, 2026. The Sarthi Project aims to offer guidance, emotional support and compassionate assistance to patients and their attendants during their hospital stay. NSS volunteers empathised with families of patients, helped them navigate hospital procedures and extended moral support to those undergoing physical and emotional distress. The initiative helped create a reassuring and humane environment within the hospital premises. • Seven Days Special Camp was held on the theme 'Clean Communities, Healthy Lives' under the able guidance of the worthy Principal, Prof. Sudha Katyal and NSS Programme Officers Mrs. Seema Jaitly and Dr. Neha Sharma. A total of 100 NSS volunteers enrolled for the camp, scheduled from January 23 to January 29, 2026. • Awareness Rally to celebrate National Voter's Day was held on January 25, 2026. The programme was organised in collaboration with the NSS Wing of Panjab University, Chandigarh, under the theme "My India, My Vote - Citizen at the Heart of Indian Democracy." The initiative aimed to educate and motivate citizens, especially youth about the |

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| | | <p>importance of voting and their role in strengthening democratic values.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College celebrated the 77th Republic Day with great enthusiasm, patriotism and a strong sense of dedication. The celebration commenced with the hoisting of the National Flag by the esteemed Principal, Prof. Sudha Katyal, followed by the solemn and reverberating recitation of the National Anthem. The program was enriched by captivating performances from the tiny tots of Chaitanya Laboratory Nursery School, whose innocence and energy left the audience spellbound. Adding to the patriotic fervor, NSS volunteers presented a soulful vocal performance followed by a vibrant group dance that resonated throughout the campus. • College observed a two-minute silence on January 30, 2026 in the memory of the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for India's freedom. Teachers, students, and non-teaching staff of the college gathered in the college premises at 11:00 a.m. to pay their heartfelt tribute. |
| 6. | Awards and accolades received | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • College participated in the Panel Discussion and Culmination Ceremony under Project DROP, a CSR initiative of Kia India, implemented by the Indian Pollution Control Association at Park Plaza Hotel Zirakpur on 29 January 2026. The programme focused on sustainable plastic waste management and the role of educational institutions in promoting environmental responsibility. The college was awarded a Certificate of Recognition for its efforts in source segregation and responsible plastic waste management. • Students showcased their creativity and entrepreneurial skills at the 15th Panjab University Rose Festival, Chandigarh held from February 6–8, 2026. The festival was inaugurated by Dr. Yojna Rawat, Dean, University Instruction, Panjab University, Chandigarh. Students set up multiple stalls featuring skill-based products reflecting their start-up activities and professional craftsmanship. Adding to the pride of the institution, two alumni students, Sakshi and Ekta, also participated by exhibiting their |

products at the festival. The stalls received a tremendous response from visitors and proved to be a major attraction especially among the young crowd. **The students were highly appreciated for their innovation, presentation and dedication by the Hon'ble Chief Guest.**

- Riya, a student of B.Sc. Home Science (Composite), 3rd Year, brought laurels to the college by **securing Third Prize in the Poster Making Competition at "ChemArt 2026 – Lab to Canvas: Turn Science into Art,"** an Inter-College Competition organised by the PG Department of Chemistry, Sri Guru Gobind Singh College, Sector 26, Chandigarh, on February 7, 2026.
- **Deepanjyot, a student of B.Sc. Semester IV,** brought laurels to the institution by securing **Third Position in the Stand-Up Comedy event at the Inter-State IT Fest "OSSIUM",** organized by PGGCG-42.
- Nancy and Niharika from M.Sc. Home Science of Government Home Science College, Chandigarh brought laurels to the institution by **securing First Prize in the Science Quiz Competition** at Inter College Science Fest organized by the Science Club "Neon" of PGGCG-11 on February 25, 2026.
- The students proudly showcased their talent and entrepreneurial spirit at the Science Fest "Biorhythm 2026" organized by GGSDS College on March 2, 2026. The event proved to be a grand success for the college, as students actively participated in various competitions and brought laurels through their outstanding performances.
Arushi and Monika M.Sc. Home Science- (Clothing & Textiles, Semester II) secured First Prize in Rangoli Making, while Sharishthi and Anaya (M.Sc. Clothing & Textiles, Semester II) clinched First Prize in Face Painting. Shifa (B.Sc. Home Science, Semester IV) won Third Prize in Pot Painting, and Prabhgun M.Sc.-Home Science (Foods & Nutrition, Semester II) achieved Third Prize in Poster Making. More than 25

students actively participated in a wide range of events including Science Quiz, Rangoli, PowerPoint Presentation, Poster Making, Face Painting, T-shirt Painting, and the organization of food stalls. **The entrepreneurial spirit of the students was also evident in the food stalls set up during the fest. One group offering Salsa Chips and Mojitos recorded impressive sales exceeding ₹ 12,000, while another group serving a Dahi Bhalla and Iced Tea combo achieved sales of over ₹ 6,000.**

- On the occasion of International Women's Day, **Ms. Anupreet Kaur Sobti, Ph.D. Research Scholar, Department of Foods and Nutrition, Government Home Science College, Chandigarh, was honoured with the prestigious Shepreneurs Award by The Times of India** in recognition of her contributions as a successful entrepreneur for her diet clinic, Dietaura. The award celebrates women who have demonstrated leadership, innovation, and excellence in their respective field.
- **Prof. Sudha Katyal, Principal has been honoured with the Prestigious Principal Excellence Award on March 13, 2026, in recognition for her exemplary contribution to the field of education. The award ceremony was organised by Gian Jyoti Institute of Management & Technology, Mohali.** The award acknowledges Dr. Katyal's visionary leadership, unwavering commitment to academic excellence and her significant role in strengthening the educational environment. Under her dynamic guidance, the institution has continued to promote quality education, innovation and holistic development among students. Her dedication to nurturing young minds and fostering an inclusive learning atmosphere has earned her wide appreciation in academic circles. This recognition stands as a testament to her tireless efforts and impactful service in the field of education.

Agenda items along with action to be taken discussed in IQAC meeting held on 13.3.2026:

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| 1. | Admission duty list as well as help desk duty list to be prepared for admissions in new session. Preparation and release of prospectus. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of college prospectus for 2026-27 will be done along with setting of admission dates in alignment with guidelines issued by Chandigarh Administration • To prepare admission and help desk duties for the staff in the month of June and July to ensure smooth conduct of admissions |
| 2. | Boosting admissions for the upcoming session | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty list to be prepared and staff to be sent to government and private colleges of Tricity to counsel the students about the courses in the college and home science as a field to boost admissions. |
| 3. | Preparation and release of college magazine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The annual college magazine to be prepared and released in this semester |