

# St. Xavier's College Jaipur

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## IQAC Newsletter



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## ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE JAIPUR'S INITIATIVES TOWARDS SDGs

The ethos of St. Xavier's College Jaipur is intricately woven with the principles enshrined in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as postulated by the United Nations. We embark on a collective journey, traversing landscapes of hope, resilience, and unified action. The 17 goals serve as our guiding compass, steering us through challenges and opportunities, and weaving a narrative of progress and transformation. They encapsulate humanity's aspirations, envisioning a future where equality, sustainability, and prosperity seamlessly converge. Beyond their noble essence, the SDGs serve as a clarion call for action, compelling us to take strides, both significant and incremental, towards a world where no individual is left behind. They echo our commitment to a tangible reality where sustainability thrives as an intrinsic part of our existence.

St. Xavier's College Jaipur, takes the initiative to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals through its various units, associations, committees and cells, such as Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), NCC, NSS, Red Ribbon Club, Rangers & Rovers. These entities engage in diverse activities throughout the academic year to promote and incorporate SDGs in the functioning of the college. As we navigate this landscape of Sustainable Development Goals, embracing milestones, confronting challenges, and amplifying voices that catalyse impactful change, let us collectively reiterate our dedication to a world shaped by inclusivity and resilience. Here, sustainability isn't just an aspiration but an integral facet of our collective reality.



# Principal's Message

Prof (Fr) S Xavier SJ

It is with immense pride I witness our collective dedication to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) taking firm root within our institution. The SDGs stand as a guiding blueprint for a world where equity, sustainability, and progress seamlessly converge. Here at our college, we wholeheartedly commit to nurturing a community that embodies the spirit of these interconnected goals. Through education, innovation, and fostering inclusivity, we aim to instill a deep understanding of the SDGs among our students. Each goal acts as a guiding compass, directing us toward a future where every action contributes to a more equitable, sustainable, and prosperous world. It is crucial to recognise that our efforts, regardless of their scale, play an integral role in this global movement. Let us seize this moment to learn, collaborate, and ignite positive change, recognizing that our combined endeavours extend far beyond our immediate surroundings, shaping a world where everyone can thrive. Together, let us translate our commitment to the SDGs into impactful actions, setting the stage for a brighter, more sustainable future. The present volume of our IQAC Newsletter gives a glimpse of the efforts the Xavian faithfully makes to turn SDGs into a reality at our level, to begin with.

# IQAC Coordinator's Message

Mr Yashwardhan Singh

Our college embraces the relevance of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as a guiding framework, aligning our initiatives with global priorities. By integrating SDGs, we contribute to international efforts, fostering a holistic approach to education, health, and sustainability, ensuring that our activities resonate with broader societal aspirations. The fourth volume of our newsletter highlights the significant progress of our college in promoting Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) throughout the academic session 2023-24. Various units organized impactful events, effectively raising awareness and inspiring action amongst students and staff towards the fulfillment of SDGs. As you flip through the pages of this newsletter, let the vibrant spirit of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) infuse you with inspiration and actionable ideas. Together, let us create a more connected and sustainable community. My hearty congratulations to our stellar newsletter coordinators and supporting members for weaving this issue around the theme *Initiatives towards SDGs*.





# World Science Day- Global Science for Global Well-Being: Following the Imprints of Sustainable Development Goals 2030

The *Department of Science* celebrated 'World Science Day 2023' under the theme 'Global Science for Global Well-Being : Following the Imprints of Sustainable Development Goals 2030' on 3 November 2023



Approximately 800 students from six different schools participated enthusiastically. The event showcased 75 impressive models depicting SDGs and various scientific factors from diverse educational institutions.

Professor Ashok Kumar, President of Social Research Kanpur, and Vice-Chancellor of CSJM University, Kanpur, graced the event as esteemed chief guest. In his address, he underscored the crucial significance of SDGs and highlighted recent advancements in the field of Science. Adding a captivating dimension, Mrs. Anuja Agarwal, the Coordinator of 'Anveshika' captivated young minds with her impactful experiments. Prof Fr S Xavier SJ, the Principal of St. Xavier's College Jaipur, delivered an insightful address on modern scientific advancements. Rev Fr Dr Raymond Cherubin SJ, Vice Principal, imparted his blessings on the occasion.

The event hosted engaging quizzes and extempore competitions, centered around the Sustainable Development Goals 2030. A highlight was the tree-plantation activity, where the chief guest and student representatives from each school planted trees in the serene Loyola Garden of St. Xavier's College Jaipur, contributing to environmental sustainability. An innovative addition was the installation of QR codes at the plantation site, linking the information about who planted each tree. As a gesture of appreciation for the students' active participation, each received a sapling symbolizing the importance of nurturing and preserving our environment.





## Initiatives Under Sustainable Development Goals

### Rainwater Harvesting

The availability of clean underground water is declining at a very fast rate resulting in unsustainable levels of exploitation. Water, being one of the five essential elements for the sustenance of life, is unevenly available across the country. Underground water remains the preferred source for domestic and agricultural purposes and hence, its extraction along with recharging and harvesting should be optimized. A recent study published in Geophysical Research Letters revealed that the excessive extraction of groundwater has shifted the Earth's axis of rotation at the rate of 4.36 cm per year towards the east. Our college is profoundly concerned about local and national issues and plays a key role in addressing such issues. To contribute in achieving the SDG 6 set by the United Nations, rainwater is collected in a tank of capacity 80 thousands liters and this water is utilised in watering of plants, fields, cleaning etc.



### Solar Power Station

Our college took an initiative to contribute in achieving the targets of SDG-7 and a 300 kWh on-grid solar power station was commissioned in May 2023. The average coal consumed in producing 1.0 unit of electricity ranges 0.69 – 0.89 kg and it produces roughly 2.0 kg of CO<sub>2</sub>. Thus, utilisation of clean solar energy for the generation of electricity is least polluting and helps in reducing the emission of CO<sub>2</sub> significantly.



## Bio-Composting of Organic Waste

The department of science consciously working on composting biodegradable waste that can reduce negative impact of climate change while also recycling nutrients. Keeping this thought in mind college campus had initiated an eco-conscious venture, employing bio composting – a microbial-driven process transforming organic waste into nutrient-rich compost for gardening and agriculture. This initiative centers on curbing solid waste, promoting resource reuse, and championing environmental preservation which aligns with SDG-13. The goal is to use microbial power to convert waste into valuable compost, promoting soil enrichment and sustainability in an effort to adopt greener methods.



## Vermicomposting Implementation

The Department of Science at St. Xavier's College Jaipur had initiated an impactful vermicomposting unit in the college as part of SDG-13. This sustainable endeavour aims to convert organic waste into nutrient-rich compost through earthworm-driven processes. The project not only creates high-quality compost but also fosters a public-private relationship by offering affordable compost to the local residents. The students have been benefitted by learning the process of vermicomposting while the college utilizes the produced compost for on-campus plantations, contributing to a greener environment. The proactive efforts of the management and expertise of the member of the department have been instrumental in the successful establishment of this eco-friendly initiative.





# Biodiversity and Green Campus

**B**iodiversity refers to all forms of life on earth that provide the core benefits, which humans derive from the environment viz. food, air, water security, and other natural benefits. Plants define the habitat of a site, providing structure, shelter and food as well as contributing to the overall biodiversity. Plants include trees, shrubs, grasses and herbaceous plants. To contribute to the global targets (SDG-15) set by the United Nations, our college has taken several initiatives to protect, restore and promote sustainable development. In our college campus, more than 120 plant species are cultivated and nearly 4000 plants in total are sustained. The 120 plant species are characterized into medicinal, forest, ornamental and fruit plants. Our college is a Green Campus where environment-friendly practices theoretically learnt in classrooms seamlessly merge with practical aspects of daily life not only to encourage sustainable and environmental-friendly practices at our college campus but also inspire students to adapt them in their personal lives. The green campus concept provides an opportunity for an institution to lead the way in re-imagining its environment and redefine paradigms through the development of sustainable solutions to meet humanity's environmental, social, and economic needs.

## Ayush Udhyan

**K**eeping in mind SDG-03 Aherbal garden namely 'Ayush Udhyan' has been established in St. Xavier's College Jaipur near gate number 02. Different herbal plants such as Veld Grape (*Cissus quadrangularis*), Gale of the Wind (*Phyllanthus niuri*), Holy Basil (*Ocimum sanctum*), Aloe Vera, Madagascar Periwinkle (*Catharanthus roseus*), Cathedral Bells (*Bryophyllum pinnatum*), Giloy (*Tinospora cordifolia*), Kalmegh (*Andrographis paniculata*) are planted. This herbal garden will be opened for local people to collect required herbs. Other medicinal plants will also be planted soon on our campus.



## Xavier's Open Gym

**T**he 'Xavier's Open Gym' was inaugurated on 17 November 2023, by Ms. Surbhi Misra, an acclaimed International Squash Player and **Maharana Pratap Awardee**, at the Loyola Garden. Ms. Misra, the Chief Guest, emphasized the fusion of physical fitness and mental well-being, urging youth to participate in sports for promising careers. The Open Gym, aims at fostering a health-conscious environment as part of SDG-03.



## Establishment of an E-Waste Collection Center

**T**he National Green Corps - Eco Club, in collaboration with the Swachhta Action Plan, inaugurated an E-Waste Collection Centre within the college campus with SDG-13 in mind. Eight designated bins facilitate for the disposal of various e-waste categories. GPS International, an E-Waste Management Company based in Jaipur, partnered with us to oversee this initiative. Bins are allocated for specific components like PCB, MB, mobiles, and more, including metallic items such as HDD, electric appliances, and burnt electronics.



## Transportation and Carpooling System to Minimise Carbon Footprint

**T**ransportation is a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, and college campuses are no exception. With a growing awareness of environmental issues, St. Xavier's College Jaipur explored sustainable transportation options to reduce their carbon footprint are target under SDG-13. It therefore promotes carpooling among students, faculty, and staff besides college transportation available for students.





# Activities Based on Sustainable Development Goals

## SDG 1 : No Poverty & SDG 2 : Zero Hunger

The Department of English, in collaboration with All About Happiness Foundation organized 'Syaahi', a stationery donation drive on 30 September 2023 for Govt. Upper Primary School, in Lalya ka Vaas the adopted village under UBA.



Enlightened Echeloned, the social initiative wing of the Department of English in collaboration with All About Happiness Foundation organized 'Share the Warmth' from 6 to 25 December 2023 under which 5000 blankets were distributed in different areas of Jaipur.



## SDG 3 : Good Health and Well-Being

The National Service Scheme (NSS) in collaboration with Sanjeevni - Life beyond Cancer organized 'Melodies of Hope' on 13 July 2023, to infuse joy, positivity, and solace into the lives of cancer patients at the SMS Hospital, Jaipur.

The Department of Business Administration in collaboration with Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Cell organized 'Health Camp in Jaisinghpura Village' on 20 September 2023. A free health check-up camp was set-up in the Jaisinghpura village to provide various free medical services to the community like ECG, eye



test, and distributions of free medicines for minor ailments to 167 villagers.

The Department of Psychology in collaboration with the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Cell, organized an 'Awareness Session on Perinatal Health'. The event was held in the community center in Narottampura Village on 4 November 2023 with an objective to spread awareness about the mental and physical aspects of prenatal and postpartum care of women additionally featuring the distribution of complimentary Calcium Tablets to the attendees.



The Mental Health and Counseling Cell (MHCC) hosted a session on 'Exam Stress and Preparation' on 18 November 2023 for first-year students. Led by Ms Sanbrita Acharya, a counselling psychologist and art therapist at the college, the session aimed to address mental health concerns during exams.



The Department of Psychology, in partnership with the Life Skills Enhancement and Anandam Cell (LSEAC) orchestrated a two-day 'Faculty Development Programme on Work Pressure and its Management' on 23-24 November 2023 for staff members. The resource person, Ms Sanbrita Acharya, the college counsellor, shared invaluable insights and personal experiences, guiding participants through navigating stressful situations, procrastination, burn out with prevention strategies.



The Gender Study and Women's Cell organized an insightful event on 'Breast Cancer-Being Aware and Battling' on 26 October 2023 for the female staff members and students. Dr Nidhi Patni, Clinical and Radiation Oncologist at the Bhagwan





The *National Service Scheme (NSS)* and *National Cadet Corps (NCC)* at St. Xavier's College Jaipur organized a workshop on '**International Year of Millets (IYOM 2023): Miracle Foods for Future**' on 9 December 2023. Dr. Medhavi Gautam, a renowned expert in Food and Nutrition, discussed the significance of millets, emphasizing their nutritional superiority over wheat and rice.

Mahaveer Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, provided evidence about the risk factors that predisposes women to be more vulnerable to breast cancer.

The *Life Skill Enhancement and Anandam Cell* organized '**Anandam Day**' on 20 December 2023. Students from various departments presented the projects on myriad communal and social concerns such as maintaining a healthy neighbourhood, opportunities for the transgender community, the effect of factory effluents on surroundings, care for the environment and financial literacy in rural areas.



The *Red Ribbon Club* in collaboration with *NSS, Debate Society, Gender Study* and *Women's Cell*, and *Xavier's Photography Club*, organized Red Ribbon Reel (Rock the Ribbon), Debate Competition, and Poster-making competitions on the theme '**Educate to Empower: Awareness Against AIDS**' from 29 November to 2 December 2023 to create awareness among the college staff and students. The Debate Society, organized a debate on the topic **Social Media Creates AIDS Awareness in Youth**.

The *Sports and Yoga Club* orchestrated a '**Fit India Week**' from 13-18 December 2023. The initiative was sanctioned by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (Government of India) to promote wellness. The session commenced with Ashtang Yoga and Raja Yoga, followed by various poses like



Ardhakatchakrasana, Vrikshasana, Tadasana, Sukhasana, Vajrasana, Matsyasana, Sukshma Vyayama, Vikshasana, Chakrasana, and Trikonasana, various sessions were organized for faculty members, students and the housekeeping staff.



The *National Service Scheme* in collaboration with the *Red Ribbon Club* organized a '**Blood Donation Drive**' in the college campus on 27 September 2023. The blood donation drive was in conjunction with Suman Blood Bank. Around 56 units of blood was donated by the students and staff of St. Xavier's College Jaipur.

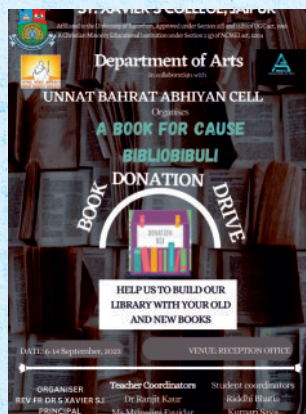




# SDG 4 : Quality Education

The *Department of Arts* in collaboration with the *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Cell*, organized '**Bibliobuli - A Book for Cause**', a book donation drive from **6-13 September 2023**. The books collected by the students were donated to the **Arrupe Central Library Extension Centre** at Maa Sharda Public Sr. Sec. School at Chatarpura.

The *Arrupe Central Library Committee* organized a comprehensive orientation programme for '**Skill Enhancement Course**' first-year students on **26 August 2023**, to provide a holistic skill enhancement experience, equipping them with essential tools for academic and personal growth.



The *Department of Economics* organized a donation drive '**Ek Abhilasha**' on **22 November 2023** at Narottampura's Government School. The department donated a printer and computer system to support access of technology to the school children. Honouring Dr Sapna Newar's death anniversary, the department's annual drive secured funds through alumni, students, and faculty. A total of 56,788 rupees was collected, with alumni contributing 43,281 rupees.



The *Minorities Welfare Committee* organized an informative session on '**Minority Scholarships**' on **4 October 2023**, to give an insight about the objective, motive and other relevant details of the scholarship.

The *Department of Science* organized an educational trip to '**Nahargarh Biological Park**' on **6 October 2023**. The students got to know about various plants and animal species. The educational trip was an enriching experience for the students.



# SDG 5 : Gender Equality & SDG 10 : Reduced Inequalities

The *Department of Political Science* in collaboration with *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) Cell*, celebrated the '**International Day of the Girl Child**' on **11 October 2023**, at Sunder Public Senior Secondary School. The theme of the celebration was **Our Time is Now - Our Right, Our Future**. The students of Political Science taught self-defense techniques to the school and college students.

The *Gender Studies and Women's Cell (GSWC)*, *Anti-Sexual Harassment Cell*, and *Department of Psychology* organized an enlightening online session in observance of the '**International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women**' on **25 November 2023**. Ms Vandana Bhansali, Advocate at the Rajasthan High Court, who served as the speaker, highlighted the intricate dimensions of violence against women and discussed the legal strategies for its eradication.

The **Birth Anniversary of two National Leaders, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri** was celebrated on **2 October 2023**. Representatives from Nai Bhor Sansthan, a transgender community, children from Jeevandaan Charitable Society, and students from the two village schools, adopted under the *UBA* scheme were part of the celebrations.







AICUF in collaboration with the *Department of Political Science* organized a session on 'Transgender - Issues, Challenges & its Prospective Solutions' on 15 September 2023. 'Pushpa Ji' who is the head of the transgender community in Rajasthan discussed the various challenges the transgender community faces in day-to-day life and focused on discriminatory laws, the issue of acceptance by society, the lack of medical facilities, lack of legal rights of marriage and having a family.



AICUF in collaboration with the *UBA Cell* organized 'International Day of Persons with Disability' on 9 December 2023. The Navchetan-Jeevandan Charitable Society provided refreshments and AICUF students donated Rs. 2500/- as a gesture of solidarity with the caretakers



## SDG 6 : Clean Water and Sanitation & SDG 7 : Affordable and Clean Energy

The *Swachhta Action Plan (SAP)* committee in collaboration with the *NGC Eco Club* organized a three day online workshop, 'Swachh Udyam: Balancing Technology, Hygiene, and Sustainability', from 27 to 29 September 2023 on fostering environmental awareness, advocating tech solutions, and promoting sustainability among the youth, the workshop thus catered to diverse themes.



SAP in collaboration with the *Department of Science* hosted the 'Swacchta Quiz Quest' on 30 September 2023 where students formed eight teams of 2 members each. Aditya Rathore and Saloni Kothiwala won first prize.



## SDG 8 : Decent Work and Economic Growth

The *Department of Commerce*, in collaboration with *HDFC Bank*, under the aegis of *Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan (UBA) Cell* St Xavier's College Jaipur, organized a social extension activity on 'Financial Literacy- Secure your Finances, Secure your Future' at Khatwara Village on 18 October 2023. The session aimed to empower the local community with the essential financial knowledge and skills.



The *Department of Economics* organized 'Synergy 23 - Revitalizing the Rural Economy' on 27 and 28 October 2023. An industrial visit to Bagru, was organized to explore the hand block printing industry. On day two, the event 'EconoPoly' took place, alongside the event named 'State of the Nation'. Following these events, 'Rural Rupantar' and 'Press Quest' were held, where students presented the documentaries prepared by them from their industrial visit and presented business ideas based on their observations.



The *Department of Economics* organized its fifth Dr Sapna Nevar Memorial Lecture on the topic 'Digital Rupee and its Impact on the Indian Economy', on 15 December 2023. Dr Oum Kumari R, Assistant Professor at Jaipuria Institute of Management conducted a session highlighting the impact of the digital rupee on the Indian economy, shedding light on the recent developments. Given the global adoption of digital currencies, the



lecture emphasized evaluating the potential implications of this shift, especially concerning the Indian Rupee.





# SDG 9 : Industry Innovation and Infrastructure



The *IPR cell* in collaboration with *Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management (RGNIIPM)* organized an online workshop on 'Intellectual Property Rights: Patents and Designs' on 13 October 2023. Dr. Bharat N Suryawanshi, Assistant Controller of Patents & Designs, RGNIIPM Nagpur delivered his talk on the proceeding of filing for Patents & Designs. The speaker explained all the aspects of Patents, Designs, Trade Mark, Copyright and GI tags.

Mr Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Resident Director of PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Rajasthan Chapter, served as the resource person for 'Brainstorming on Academia-Industry Interface (BAII)' conducted by *FDTEPC Cell* on 7 November 2023. His lecture underscored the pivotal role of academia-industry collaboration in fostering innovation and economic growth, sharing valuable insights from his own collaborative experiences.



The *Department of Science* in collaboration with *UBA Cell*, organized an educational tour to the 'Rajasthan Agricultural



Research Institute, Durgapura' on 16 December 2023. With much excitement, the students investigated the nursery, went through the entomology museum, and drove through the agricultural fields. This hands-on learning opportunity was a knowledge bank, offering priceless insights into various farming practices. The incorporation of *UBA* village residents was the

fundamental component of this expedition, underscoring the visit's focus on community development.

The newly constructed 'Board Room' was inaugurated on 10 November 2023. The institution celebrated a monumental occasion when our esteemed Chief Guest Justice Deepak Maheshwari Ji, Former Judge of the Rajasthan High Court inaugurated the precious contribution of the alumni.



# SDG 12 : Responsible Consumption and Production & SDG 13 : Climate Action

*National Service Scheme* and *Swachta Action Plan* organized 'World Environment Day-Lifestyle for Environment' on 5 June 2023, on the theme 'Beat Plastic Pollution'. Aligning with the government's 'Lifestyle for Environment' initiative, the college conducted a tree plantation drive and set up bird feeders.



The *National Service Scheme (NSS)* engaged in the 'Green India Mission', conducted three impactful plantation drives on 12 and 20 July 2023, and 15 August 2023. College students and NSS volunteers planted trees at the Loyola Garden, fortifying the college surroundings in green.



An orientation programme was organized for the *National Green Corps - Eco Club (NGC)* on 30 September 2023. The event was held on Google Meet. A brief overview of the *National Green Corps* was provided, along with the past activities of the *Eco Club* in the college. Ms Ruhi Sinha briefed about the threats of e-waste and how to minimize it. Ms Poorvi





Medatwal discussed the segregation of wet and dry waste that can be easily carried out at home.



The *National Green Corps (NGC) - Eco Club*, a unit of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Government of India, in collaboration with *Rangers and Rovers, Bharat Scouts and Guides (BSG)* organized 'Best Out of Waste' event on 7 November 2023. The event aimed at highlighting the importance of reusing and recycling materials to prolong their usage.



The *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) Cell* in partnership with the *Department of Business Administration*, organized a

## SDG 14 : Life Under Water

In the heart of our campus lies the Water Harvesting - Aquaculture Unit. More than just a decorative element, this system serves a dual purpose, providing an educational focal point and actively contributing to sustainable living and responsible resource management. The Water Harvesting Unit is a carefully crafted system that combines aesthetics with functionality.



seven-day 'Self-Empowerment Training Programme' for village girls from 11-18 December 2023. The initiative aimed to equip them with diverse artisanal skills for self-sufficiency. The workshop culminated in an exhibition showcasing the crafted products. The event offered a platform for their talents, resulting in a significant generation Rs. 9400 as revenue from sales.

The *Swachhta Action Plan (SAP)* in collaboration with the *National Green Corps (NGC)* successfully organized a Two Day Training Workshop titled 'Go for Organic Cultivation' from 18-19 December 2023 for the support staff of the college. The event aimed to promote sustainable and environment friendly agricultural practices through hands-on training and informative sessions.

## SDG 15 : Life on Land

St. Xavier's College Jaipur, is situated beside the Nevtta Dam, Jaipur, Rajasthan, which provides a tranquil and healthy ecosystem to the campus. An 'Avian Biodiversity Study' was conducted to establish baseline

information on the number of visiting bird species in and



around the campus. So far, 30 species have been identified within our campus. The abundance of food, favourable climatic conditions, tree and temporary shelters indicate the conducive ecological and condition of the environmental the campus. Fr Dr Arokya Swamy SJ, the Rector of





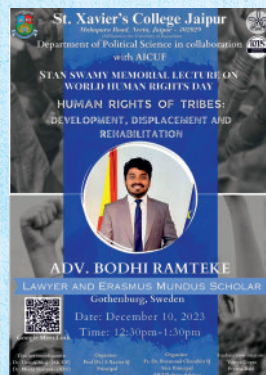
St Xavier's College Jaipur, captured photographs of the birds, and the identification process was done by Dr Juniet Maria Jose, Assistant Professor in the Department of Science at St. Xavier's College Jaipur.

## SDG 16 : Peace, Justice and Strong Institution

The *National Service Scheme* and the *Department of Business Administration*, in collaboration with the *Muskaan Foundation*, conducted a 'Road Safety Session' on 22 November 2023 focusing on the Good Samaritan Law and Basic Life Support, held in the college auditorium. The event aimed to raise awareness among students about road accidents.



The *Department of Political Science* in collaboration with *AICUF* hosted an online session titled 'Human Rights of Tribe Development, Displacement and Rehabilitation' to commemorate World Human Rights Day on 10 December 2023. Advocate Bodhi Ramteke, a lawyer and Erasmus Mundus scholar from Gothenburg, Sweden, graced the session, enlightening over 90 students from the Department of Political Science and AICUF.

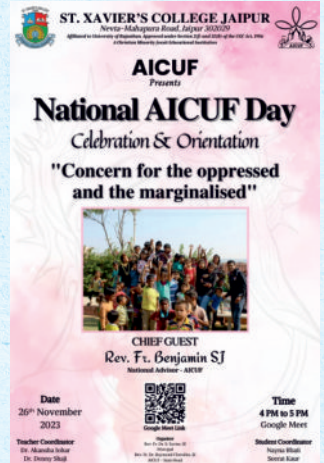


The *Consumers' Society* in collaboration with *Xavier's Fintech Commerce Society* organized an event 'Lecture on Awareness



on Consumer Rights' on 13 December 2023. Advocate Alka Bhatnagar delivered an insightful address on various aspects of consumer rights. She emphasized the importance of informed consumer choices, discussed legal frameworks protecting consumers, and highlighted recent developments in consumer protection laws.

*AICUF* organized an online event marking 'National AICUF Day' on 26 November 2023, focusing on advocating for the oppressed and the marginalized. The event delved into the silent struggles of the youth, paralleling their unheard voices to the cries of the marginalized. Discussions centered on rectifying these challenges, urging students to unite and drive societal betterment, particularly among their peers.



## SDG 17 : Partnership for the Goals



An MoU was inked between *PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry* and *St. Xavier's College Jaipur* on 7 November 2023, paving the way for exchange of industrial visits, and collaborative initiatives.

The college also signed an MoU with *Muskaan: Foundation for Road Safety* on 27 September 2023.

Another MoU was signed on 30 October 2023 between *NSS* and *Sanjeevani - Life Beyond Cancer*





# Activities of November and December 2023

Rangers and Rovers Club of the college participated in 'Governor Testing Camp' from 30 October-1 November 2023, at the Scout and Guide Camp. Notably, Vanshika Sharma, a second-year BSc student from St. Xavier's College Jaipur, represented the institution admirably as the sole eligible candidate, having completed both the Nipun testing and the Governor Training Camp.



The Placement and Internships Cell conducted an online session titled 'Unpacking India's Education Crisis through the Teach for India Fellowship' on 3 November 2023 to delve into the complexities of India's education crisis through the lens of the Teach for India Fellowship. The event aimed to provide valuable insights into the challenges faced by the education system in India and how the fellowship offers a unique opportunity for passionate individuals to contribute towards positive change.

The Department of Business Administration and the Department of Commerce celebrated Xavier's Annual Departmental Festival - Envision X Vendesto '23 with the theme 'Navigating the Nexus, Synthesizing Connections' from 4-5 November 2023. The fest was graced by the presence



of guests like Mr Nitesh M Kumar Sharma, Mr Aditya Baid and Mr Rajendra Daga.

The Department of Arts organized a Guest lecture on 'Emergence of Sufism and Bhakti Cult in India and its



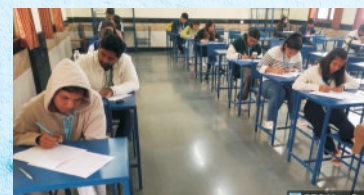
Relevance with the Modern Age' on 3 November 2023. The keynote speaker Dr V K Dixit, former Associate Professor, DAV PG College, Dehradun addressed the students and discussed the significance of Sufism and Bhakti in a proficient way and laid emphasis on the importance of the Bhakti Movement and Sufism in modern times.

Diwali was celebrated by the Xaverian family including the Management, staff and faculty members of St. Xavier's College Jaipur and XIMI on 10 November 2023 as a remarkable feature of our academic community showcasing our unity and togetherness. The esteemed presence of Chief Guest Justice Deepak Maheshwari, Former Judge of the Rajasthan High Court, added extra sparkle to the event. Justice Deepak Maheshwari's insightful speech was followed by the unveiling of the first edition of IQAC Newsletter, heartfelt expressions of gratitude, and joyous birthday celebrations, making this day truly memorable.



The Internal Examination Committee at St. Xavier's College Jaipur successfully conducted the Mid-Term Examinations for the students of the First Semester NEP Batch from 28 November to 1 December

2023. The examinations adhered strictly to the institution's academic calendar and guidelines. To accommodate students effectively, the exams were organized in two shifts.



The NCC unit organized 'NCC Weapon Training and Ship Modeling Classes' on 1-2 December 2023. The NCC cadets of St. Xavier's College Jaipur embarked on a two-day training visit to 3 Raj Naval Unit JLN Marg, Jaipur, Rajasthan. Under the supervision of Commanding Officer CDR Pradeek Kumar and other officials, the cadets engaged in a variety of activities



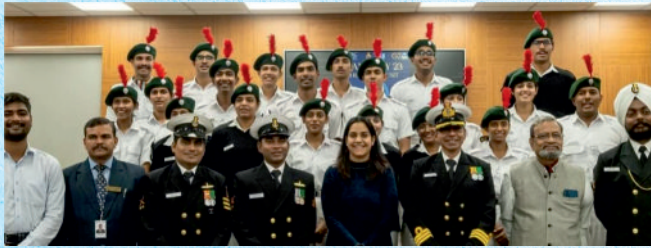


that broadened their knowledge and skills in various aspects of naval training.

AICUF organized the 'Feast of St. Francis Xavier' on 2 December 2023. The AICUF students presented a melodious tribute to St. Francis. XMS and AICUF students performed inspiring songs which was followed by the oath taking ceremony which was taken by the newly elected office bearers of AICUF for the session.

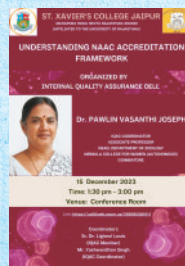


The NCC cadets attended the 'Navy Day celebration' at JECRC University on 4 December 2023. The event was organized to commemorate the Indian Navy's glorious history and its contributions to the nation's security.



The 'Scout Guide Training Camp' held at Bani Park Jaipur, from 4-8 December 2023 provided an enriching experience for participants from Rangers and Rovers. The camp not only equipped the students with valuable scouting skills but also fostered a sense of camaraderie and responsibility.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at St. Xavier's College Jaipur, conducted a comprehensive session on 'Understanding the NAAC Accreditation Framework'. This enlightening session was held on 15 December 2023. Dr Pawlin Vasanthi Joseph, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Zoology, and IQAC Director at Nirmala College for Women (Autonomous), Coimbatore, was our esteemed resource person. The session provided valuable insights into the NAAC accreditation process.

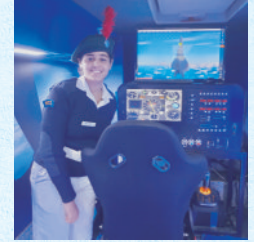


The All India Catholic University Federation (AICUF) of St. Xavier's College Jaipur, organized a 'Christmas Get-Together' on 20 December 2023 for the staff members. AICUF, Xavier's Music Society, maintenance staff, and the teaching staff all got together to perform carols for the event. The reverend fathers each conveyed their Christmas message culminating in a special prayer led by Rev Fr Dr Nelson D'silva. As a Christmas



gift, the management gifted blankets to staff members. The programme ended with high tea.

NCC cadets from St. Xavier's College Jaipur participated in Indian Air Force Induction Publicity Exhibition Vehicle (IPEV) Programme on 22 December 2023 at St. Xavier's School, C-Scheme, Jaipur. The event, organized by the Indian Air Force (IAF), focused on the Induction Publicity Exhibition Vehicle (IPEV) and aimed to provide cadets with insights into the IAF and potential career opportunities therein.



The Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Cell organized a 'Bal Mela: Where Joy Takes Flight, and Childhood Dreams Ignite' for students of the government schools from villages adopted under UBA on 22 December 2023. Mr. Patrick Bäurer and Ms Aguska Mnich, World champions in freestyle football, exhibited 'Freestyle Fusion,' showcasing tricks and motivating students toward sports. Our Chief Guest Mr Sarthak Mishra, from the All India Football Federation, shared insights on the pivotal role that sports play in our lives and encouraged students to explore opportunities in sports for their careers.



On 26 December 2023, as part of the Anandam Project prescribed by the University of Rajasthan, a visit to 'Garima Greh - Nai Bhor Sanstha' in Khatipura, Jaipur was conducted by Dr Ranjit Kaur (Assistant Professor, Department of English) and Ananya Acharya (Student, MA English Final, Department of English). Nai Bhor Sanstha is a transgender shelter home run by social activist Pushpa Mai, who is a transwoman herself. A donation of health and hygiene kits, along with beauty kits, was made to the NGO. The funds for the same were raised by the group members of 'Astitva' who are final-year postgraduate students of English at St. Xavier's College and by the teacher coordinator, Dr Ranjit Kaur. The visit was indeed an overwhelming experience.





# ACHIEVEMENTS



Dino Dhankad BA I Year (NEP batch) won the **President Polo Cup 2023**.

*Ribbon Club*) at Swasthya Bhawan in a state-level function for his outstanding contribution to the field of Blood donation and AIDS awareness campaign.



The Volleyball team of St. Xavier's College Jaipur won the **Runner's Trophy in Volleyball Men Inter-College Tournament 2023**.



Prof Fr S Xavier SJ, the Principal of St. Xavier's College Jaipur delivered a Plenary Lecture in Calcutta University Regional Science Congress on 22-12-23.

NSS volunteer **Kumari Saya** of BA Pass Course II Year St. Xavier's college Jaipur, has been selected for the **Pre Republic Day Parade Camp** held in Manohar Memorial PG College, Faridabad, Haryana from 25 October to 3 November 2023.



Dr Dharmveer Yadav was awarded as the '**Best Paper Presenter**' at the **International Conference on 'Integrated Intelligence and Communication System'** organized on 24 and 25 November 2023.



NCC unit of St. Xavier's College Jaipur won the **Second Rank in the Inter-College Watermanship Championship 2023**.



Ms Mrinalini Faujdar published a book on the topic '**MAKE IN INDIA: A Pragmatism or Realism**'.



**Khushali Sharma** from the Department of Economics won the first prize in the '**Agree to Disagree**' debate competition organized by Jaipuria Institute of Management, Jaipur, during the fest **Abhyudaya 2023: Be the Difference** on 9 December 2023.



Dr Pradeep Soni received a **State Award** from the **Rajasthan State AIDS Control Organization (Red**





Sr Dr Ligimol Louis secured **Second position** in paper presentation in the **National Seminar** on 'Biosustainability and Challenges' organized on **12 - 13 December 2023**.



Fr Dr Amaldass SJ published a book for **Value Added Course Material (VAC)** under NEP programme.



Dr Mahua Majumdar Bose, Dr Leena Sharma and Dr Shikha Arora Bakshi were awarded **Shiksha Ratan Award** today for their invaluable contribution in the field of education and teaching.



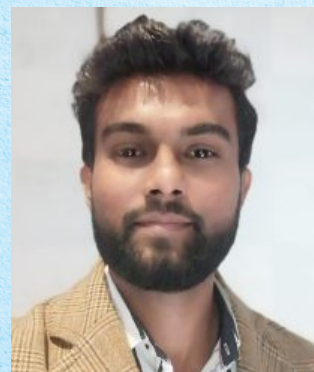
Dr Ranjit Kaur, Dr Atiq Kelsy and Dr Rama Hirawat became **Ph D supervisor** under the University of Rajasthan.



Suchitra Sharma (MA English Batch 2021-22) and Ishika Dhadda (BBA Batch 21-22) were declared as **GOLD MEDALISTS** in the University of Rajasthan Merit List published recently.



Anshika Kanwar of BBA II year has won the **Silver medal** in 25 meters Standard Pistol event in the 66th **National Shooting Championship** held in Bhopal from 19 November to 9 December 2023.



Dr Antony Nitin Raja received an appreciation award from **Springer Nature** for reviewing **three articles** in 2023 and he is also a member of **Springer Nature's Reviewer Community**.







# Academic Calendar (Nov 2023)

DATE	DAY	EVENT	Cell/Club/Committee/Dept
2	Thu	Faculty Meeting	Principal Office
3	Fri	World Science Day Celebration	Dept of Science and XSI Club & UBA Cell
		Pre-Placement online session on "Unpacking India's Education crisis through the Teach for India fellowship"	TIPC
4-5	Sat	Envision X Vendesto	Dept of Commerce and BBA
6	Mon	Lecture on the relevance of Sufism and Bhakti movement in the modern era	Dept of Arts (History)
7	Tue	Foundation Day Ranger and Rovers	Ranger and Rovers
		Interaction Session: Brainstorming on Academia-Industry Interface (with Staff only)	FDTEPC
		Best out of Waste	NGC & RR
8	Wed	Special Lecture on Sustainability & Globalization	Dept of Arts (Geog)
		Career Counselling Session (Pol Science)	Dept of Pol Science
10	Fri	Diwali Celebration & Inauguration of MDP Board Room	Principal Office
17	Fri	Inauguration of Xavier's Open Gym	Sports & Yoga Society
18	Sat	Session on Exam stress and exam preparation	MHCC
20	Mon	Skill Enhancement & Ability Development Certificate Course (ICDL) - Open for all streams	Dept of Comp Science
22	Wed	Aanandam Day Celebration	LSEAC
		World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims & Session on the Good Samaritan Law and Basic Life Support	Dept of Business Adm & NSS
		EK-Abhilasha (Donation Drive)	Department of Economics & UBA Cell
23	Thu	FDP on Work Pressure and How to Manage It for Staff	Dept of Psychology & LSEAC
24	Fri	FDP on Work Pressure and How to Manage It for Staff	Dept of Psychology & LSEAC
25	Sat	National AICUF Day Celebration & Orientation (Online)	AICUF
		International Day-Elimination of Violence against Women (Online)	GSWC, Anti sexual harassment cell and Dept of Psychology
		Mid-Sem Exams for First Year (NEP Batch)	Exam Cell





# Academic Calendar (Dec 2023)

DATE	DAY	PARTICULARS	Cell/Club/Committee/Dept
1	Fri	World AIDS Day Awareness Competitions (Reel Making, Poster Making, and Debate)	Red Ribbon Club, GSWC, SXPC, Debating Society, NSS
		Weapon Training & Ship Modeling Class (1-7 Dec)	NCC
2	Sat	Debate on 'Social Media creates AIDS Awareness in Youth'	Debating Society
		Feast of St. Francis Xavier Celebration	AICUF
4	Mon	Navy Day Celebration (JECRC University)	NCC
		Nipun Award Training Camp (4-8 Dec)	Rovers & Rangers
5,12 & 18	Tue, Tue & Mon	Faculty Meeting	Principal Office
7	Thu	Enlightened Echelon: Share the Warmth - Blanket Distribution Drive	Dept of English & ABH NGO
9	Sat	Visit to Specially-abled Children (World Disability Day Celebration)	AICUF & UBA Cell
		Workshop: Millets Miracle Food for Future - International Year of Millets	NCC & NSS
11	Mon	Social Drive - Self-empowerment programme in Jaisinghpura Village (Training Session for 7 days) - UBA Activity	Dept of BBA & UBA Cell
13	Wed	Lecture on Awareness on Consumer Rights	Dept of Comm & Consumer Society
		Fit India Week (13-17 Dec)	Sports & Yoga Club
15	Fri	Dr. Sapna Newar Memorial Lecture (ELS II)	Dept of Economics
		Session on Understanding the NAAC Accreditation Framework	IQAC
16	Sat	Visit to Rajasthan Agriculture Research Institute Durgapura (Lab to Land)	Department of Science and UBA
18	Mon	Two days Training on Go for Organic Cultivation (Support Staff)	SAP and NGC
19	Tue	Two days Training on Go for Organic Cultivation (Support Staff)	SAP and NGC
20	Wed	Christmas Celebration	AICUF
		Art Exhibition programme	Dept of BBA & UBA Cell
		Aanandam Day Celebration	LSEAC
21-22	Thu-Fri	Mid Term Exam (Phase 2) Re-test	Exam Cell
22	Fri	Bal Mela (For Village School Students)	UBA Cell





# Coordinators' Message



SDGs  
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As we present the 4th edition of our newsletter, spotlighting the incredible spectrum of activities embracing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) within our college, our hearts swell with pride and gratitude. The unwavering commitment and infectious enthusiasm demonstrated by every member of our college community in driving these initiatives embody the very essence of positive change we ardently pursue. The diverse tapestry of initiatives, events, and projects echoes our collective resolve to confront the pressing global challenges encapsulated in the SDGs.

Our active involvement and innovative approaches stand as a testament to the immense potential for profound impact within our community. It's truly inspiring to witness how each endeavour, regardless of its scale, aligns with our grand vision for a more sustainable, just, and prosperous world. May this newsletter stand as a testament to our unwavering dedication and serve as a gentle reminder that our combined actions lay the groundwork for a brighter future. Let us persist in our collaborative, innovative pursuit of these noble goals.

Heartfelt thanks for your steadfast support and unyielding commitment. Together, we stride forward towards a tomorrow brimming with promise and possibility.

Sr Dr Ligimol Louis (HOD, Science & IQAC member),  
Dr Antony Nitin Raja (IQAC member),  
Dr Mahak Bhatia, Dr Juniet Maria Jose  
&  
Dr M Shanmugam

WE ARE NOT A TEAM BECAUSE WE WORK TOGETHER  
WE ARE A TEAM BECAUSE WE RESPECT, TRUST AND CARE FOR EACH OTHER.