

# Departmental Activities

## Mass Singing of National Anthem

Department of Commerce, Delhi School of Economics organised mass singing of National Anthem at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016 following a directive from the University Grants Commission and the Ministry of Human Resource Development. The event witnessed solidarity amongst all faculty members towards the Nation



Prof. Kavita Sharma, Head of the Department, Faculty members and students reciting the National Anthem

## Swachhta Abhiyaan Initiatives

The Swachhta Abhiyaan Committee of Department of Commerce organised several activities to support the initiative of Swachh Bharat taken by our Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi. The list is as follows-

- **2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2016 (Friday) - Cleaning of office Almirahs**

It started by spreading awareness amongst staff members of the Department. They were briefed about minor things that would help in keeping the Department clean.

In the first activity the committee requested staff members to clean redundant stuff kept on their respective almirahs.



Office staff cleaning almirahs

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- **5<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 (Monday)- Cleaning of Department Surrounding**



Cleaning of entrance of the Department



Cleaned entrance of Department

On this day the committee planned to keep the surroundings of the Department clean, therefore cleaning employees took extra care to clean all the waste kept at the entrance of the Department.

- **8<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 (Thursday)- Shramdan activity**

The Clean and Green Society of the Department organized “Shramdan” activity at the Department of Commerce, Delhi school of Economics. Prior to activity, a notice was put up on the Department website and Notice board to inform and encourage students, faculty members, staff members to participate in the same.

The committee started the activity through a plantation drive, where Prof. Kavita Sharma (Head of the Department) along with the Swachh Abhiyaan Committee members planted the sapling in the garden of the Department to motivate the members and students of Department.



Prof. Kavita Sharma, Head of the Department , Faculty members and students planting sapling

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- **9<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 (Friday)- Cleaning of classrooms desks**

The purpose of the activity was to create awareness amongst students regarding keeping their surrounding, classrooms and Department premises clean. Volunteer students and faculty members of the committee visited each classroom in mid of the classes being held and the students were asked to check all the garbage kept under their desks and on the floor.

All the stuff was collected in the plastic bags and was shown to the students to make them realize the impact of their littering.



Littering being collected by society members

To create involvement of the students of each class, suggestions were taken from them on how to keep the surroundings cleaner. All the students were asked for their cooperation for the same. The event ended with a positive note and feeling amongst all the students & members of the Department.



Garbage collected from the classrooms of the Department

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- **15<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 (Thursday)- Placement of Dustbins in each classroom**

The committee organized the activity in which volunteer students and faculty members were gathered. They took the dustbins to each classroom and students volunteers assembled the dustbins themselves. The students were encouraged to adopt a sense of ownership about the classrooms and their cleanliness.



Dustbins are being installed in each classroom with the help of volunteer students



Dr. Abha Shukla, Faculty, Department of Commerce sensitizing students about keeping surroundings clean

The dustbins were placed according to the suggestions of the students of each class.

## Students' Activities

Exciting events and participation of over 4300 students in form nearly 2000 teams from over 140 colleges and B-Schools across India including the IIMs, FMS, IMT Ghaziabad, SCMHRD, IMI, SRCC, NITIE and other premier ones, made the two day extravaganza extremely successful. This year's success has proved that Atharva has now evolved into a mega event that has gathered much fame and acclamation both in the academia as well as in the corporate. And for that, team Atharva is highly grateful to the participants, the corporates and the volunteers.

### Foundation of Eco-Club- Vasant Panchami Celebration

In today's age when every country and society is pacing towards economic growth & development on a one-way road, nature and environment have been given back seat on the wagon. Department of Commerce has step up to do its bit which has led to the formation of the Eco-Club.



Prof. Kavita Sharma, Head Department of Commerce, Dr. Urvashi Sharma, MBA(HR) Coordinator, Dr. Ashish Chandra, MBA(IB) Coordinator, faculty members and students attending Vasant Panchami Celebration on Eco-Club Foundation in the Department of commerce

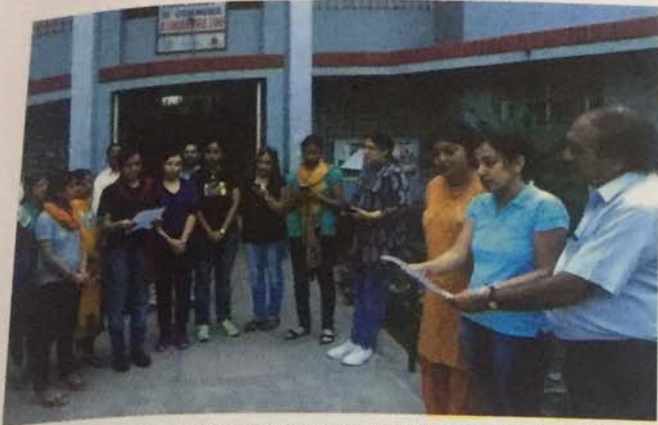
Eco-club was founded on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2016 by the students of MBA-IB under the guidance of Prof. Kavita Sharma-Head, Department of Commerce, Dr. Ashish Chandra-Course Coordinator, MBA-IB and Dr. Urvashi Sharma-Course Coordinator, MBA-HRD. A small ceremony was held on this occasion where Prof. Kavita Sharma, Dr. Ashish Chandra and Dr. Urvashi Sharma along with the faculty members planted sapling in the department lawns.

On the occasion of Foundation of Eco-Club in the Department of Commerce, team IISAC celebrated the Vasant Panchami in the department premises.

Eco Club will strive to make the department a cleaner and a greener place.

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- Penalty for not following the instructions in the form of compulsory Shramdan.
- Participating for the cleanliness and awareness at the selected space during vacations/Sundays.
- Running an awareness Campaign at the selected area.



Faculty members and Staff taking pledge for 'Swachhta Abhiyan' on 2nd October, 2014



Faculty members cleaning the corridor and notice boards during 'Swachhta Abhiyan'

## Celebration of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas

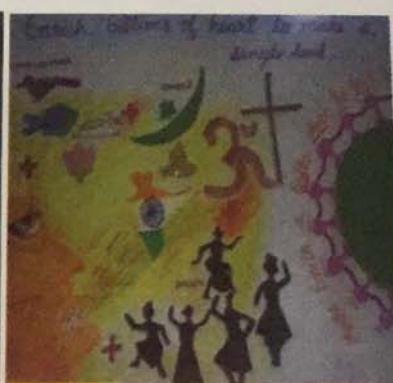
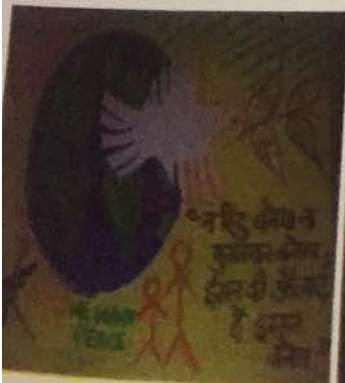
The Department of Commerce celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Patel on October 31, 2014 for spreading the message of unity, safety and security. All the faculty members and students participated in the event and took the pledge for unity, safety and security of the nation. A documentary was played representing Sardar Patel's contribution towards India's unity, safety and security. Students participated in the poster making and slogan writing competitions based on the theme of the event. The program came to a close with the singing of National Anthem.



Faculty members and students taking pledge for 'Ekta Diwas' at Sardar Patel's Birth Anniversary



Screening of the documentary on Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's life and his contribution towards country



Poster making competition organised by the Department on 'Ekta Diwas'

# Department Updates

## Sankalp- A Social Responsibility Cell

A new Social Responsibility Cell - "Sankalp" has been formed w.e.f. Sept 28, 2016 by the students of MBA(HRD), Department of Commerce, DSE, University of Delhi, to work with the sole aim of building socially responsible managers.

The cell will help students to develop sensitivity towards the society and provide opportunities to apply their management skills to social problems.

**The Student Convenor of the Cell :** Jayant Khullar

**Co-Convenor :** Abhinav Shrivastav

**Nodal faculty of the Cell:** Dr. Urvashi Sharma.

The project is focusing on computer literacy to underprivileged students in collaboration with a non-government organization, Shades of Happiness



## Clean & Green Society of Department

President- Nissar (M.com)

Joint secretary- Gaurav (M.com) & Vinayak (MBA-HR)

## Ph.D. and M.Phil. Related changes

In the Departmental Research Committee meeting dated 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, it was decided that at the time of pre-Ph.D. seminar the title of the thesis for presentation should be the same as in BRS memorandum. Otherwise the candidate has to submit an application duly forwarded by the supervisor for the change in the title of the thesis, provided the change is minor only at the time of pre-Ph.D. seminar.

### Online M.Phil./Ph.D. admissions

As per the Bulletin of Information for M.Phil. & Ph.D. and Admission portal, all candidates seeking admission to the M.Phil./ Ph.D. Programme were required to register online for both the categories:

- (a) the candidates appearing through written examination and Interview, and
- (b) the candidates appearing directly in Interview

As per the Ph.D. online application form a candidate was required to mention proposed theme and scope of research for Ph.D. along with a write up of 2500 words on primary sources/field work, methodology, hypotheses, research questions and issues in the proposed field of research.

Apart from the online application as per the past practice all the eligible candidates who applied for "Direct admissions without written examination" category and shortlisted candidates on the basis of written examination were required to submit seven copies of the research proposal in the Department of Commerce for the blind review by two faculty members. On the basis of review results candidates were called for the Ph.D. interview.

All the selected research scholars paid their fees online through the M.Phil./Ph.D. admission portal.

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### Meeting of the Editorial Advisory Board

The second meeting of the Editorial Advisory Board of 'Journal of Commerce & Business Studies' was held on September 24, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. in the room of Head of the Department. Following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. J.P. Sharma: Editor-in-chief
2. Dr. Kavita Sharma: Editor
3. Dr. Sunaina Kanojia: Associate Editor
4. Prof. Stuart Locke: Professor and Chairperson, Department of Finance, University of Waikato, New Zealand
5. Prof. Rattan Sharma: Formerly in IIM Lucknow, MDI, SP Jain Centre Mumbai

It was resolved in the meeting to make special efforts for the publicity of the Journal, streamlined review process and constitution of the review board.



Members of Editorial Advisory Board of 'Journal of Commerce & Business Studies' present during 2nd meeting of the board held on 24-09-2014



Prof. Stuart Locke, Professor & Chairperson, Department of Finance, University of Waikato, New Zealand and Prof. J.P. Sharma, Head of the Department in discussion during 2nd meeting of the Editorial Advisory Board held on 24-09-2014

### Swachhta Abhiyan in the Department

The Department successfully organised the launch of "DU Swachhta Abhiyan" on October 2, 2014 on the day of Gandhi Jayanti. Faculty members, staff and students actively participated in the cleanliness drive. The whole day was planned in advance and a schedule was circulated to implement the plan. The main highlights of the plan were:

- All the faculty members, staff and students gathered in the garden area for "Swachhta Shapath" where they took a pledge to keep their surrounding clean.
- Then whole staff began the cleanliness drive by cleaning the front area and garden area of the Department
- Cleaning of class rooms, notice boards and wash rooms was started after a short tea break and a small room which was lying unused earlier was restored which is now available for taking optional paper classes.



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- Cleaning of computer lab, office, examination room and pantry was done by the associated staff members during the post lunch session of the cleanliness drive where faculty members cleaned their respective rooms.

The day ended with the meeting with all the faculty members, staff, and students. In which all of them shared their experiences of the day and gave ideas to maintain Swachhta in the Department. Based on the basis of the feedback and suggestions received from the Faculty.

Faculty Members, staff, and students of the Department proposes the following yearly plan for the implementation of the "Swachhta Abhiyan":

### **CLEAN DEPARTMENT: Proposed Action Plan**

To work out a sustainable model, Department proposes the following action plan;

- Proper Communication of such event to all the students through email as well as website
- For arranging such events vacations days of non-teaching staff should be considered. Work on swachhta on off days
- Pest Control/Mosquito repellent
- Discard of scrap material (Check rules regulation for disposal)
- Cleaning of pavement at the back of the Department building (nearby Hindu College)
- Involve students of M.Com. MBA (IB), MBA (HRD) by forming a team.
- Class timings should be adjusted to for the cleaning by the staff
- Random inspection in classrooms on a weekly/fortnight basis. Identify the most clean and untidy class by the team. Launch of cleanliness award.
- Use of pinup boards in the classroom
- Water tank and water purifier cleanliness
- More number of toilets and cleanliness of toilets is required
- Gardening funds for the plantation and one area should be restricted
- Red sand stone in the pit area near the gate and stone benches can be build there
- Five important guidelines should mentioned in the classrooms to maintain the cleanliness
- Make a Project outline (Photoshop software can be used) and approach alumni for the funds
- Slogan competition on the theme of Swachhta
- Outcome of the Swachhta Andolan should be properly assessed and shared at all levels
- Proper instructions to maintain the cleanliness should be mentioned in the washrooms, classrooms, computer lab and open area.

### **CLEAN DSE CAMPUS/COMMUNITY WORK: Proposed Action Plan**

- Students team with the support of faculty will have one activity each month for "Swachhta Abhiyan". For this the team may identify an area(village/monuments/railway station etc.)