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செறிவறிந்து சீர்மை பயக்கும்

அறிவறிந்து ஆற்றின் அடங்கப் பெறின

**அறிய வேண்டுவன அறிந்து நல்வழியிலே அடக்கத்தோடு நடக்கும்
பண்பைப் பெற்றால், அதன் செறிவை அறிந்து மேன்மையும் உண்டாகும்**

Warm Greetings to all. It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the 39th College Day celebrations. A warm welcome to our esteemed Chief Guest for the day, Ms.Bharathi Bhaskar, Orator par excellence, writer, Motivational speaker and debater.

I welcome the President, Punjab Association - Dr. Vikram Aggarwal, General Secretary - Shri. Ramesh Lamba, Treasurer, Shri Ajay Bhalla, Correspondent - Shri. Sunil Hasija, Vice President and Chairman (Non Academic) - Shri. Vijay Bhatia, and other esteemed members of the Punjab Association, Vice Principals, Deans, the Heads of the Department, the faculty, the parents, students and invitees present here today for the 39th Annual Day Celebrations of Anna Adarsh College for Women.

If ever there was a cause, if ever there can be a cause, worthy to be upheld by all of toil or sacrifice that the human heart can endure, it is the cause of Education - Horace Mann

The Punjab Association took up the most worthy cause of education building educational institutions and Anna Adarsh College for Women came into existence in 1985.



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Don't be afraid to give up the good to go for the great.— John D. Rockefeller

After the 'A' grading by NAAC in the first cycle, the college was awarded 'A+' in the second cycle and now we have achieved the highest grade - A++ in the 3rd cycle.

Placed within the top 151-200 band by the National Institutional Ranking Framework 2024 and figuring among the top 10 arts and science colleges in the city in the ranking by India today, our work this year has been to consolidate best practices, forge new ideas for the future and cast our aspirations a notch higher than last year.

Humble beginnings to Humongous growth

Starting out in 1985 with just a small group of dedicated faculty handling a small group of enthusiastic students, the college today has grown into a mighty institution with 241 faculty members, with 5806 students, offering 30 programmes including UG, PG and Research streams.

Doing the common exams uncommonly well

A combination of the intelligent effort and assiduous study by the students with the expertise and encouragement of the faculty enabled 84 of our students to emerge as rank holders with 7 being gold medallists in their respective subjects. The pass percentage for the academic year 2023-2024 is 97.

Expanding the knowledge horizon

Faculty of the college balance their academic, research, administrative and social responsibilities seamlessly.

They fulfill their academic commitments not just by handling classes but also by being a part of syllabus framing, curriculum development and assessment, as Chairperson, external expert and members of the Board of Studies of various colleges, universities, academic and research bodies (114 faculty members have shared their academic expertise). They don multiple hats as



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editors and review board members of journals. They are committed to research and serve as research supervisors(11 faculty members) along with presiding over doctoral committee meetings. Faculty members have published 92 books and book chapters, and presented 112 research papers.

They conduct FDPs and participate in FDPs of other institutions apart from attending orientation/refreshers and professional Development programmes. 177 faculty members participated in Faculty Development and Professional Development programmes during the year 2023-2024. The institution has offered 6 Faculty Development and Professional Development programmes, 2 Administrative training programmes during the academic year 2023-2024.

Faculty Development Programme/ /Administrative Training Organised Professional Development Programme organised by the institution;

- 1. Post Graduate and Research Department of Commerce (Shift - I) organized a Faculty Enrichment Programme on the topic Accounting Andragogy in Fostering Knowledge and Professional Skills of Faculty.*
- 2. National online faculty Development Programme on e-Content Development was conducted by IQAC.*
- 3. Workshop on understanding NIRF parameters was conducted at college level by IQAC.*
- 4. International online workshop on Mastering MS Office Application word and PPT Programme at college Level was organised by IQAC.*
- 5. Post Graduate Department of Computer Science (Shift - I) organized a Faculty development programme on the topic Futuristic Approaches and Research breakthroughs in AI.*
- 6. Department of Commerce (Honours) conducted a Faculty Enrichment Programme on the topic "Process of E-filing Tax Return".*
- 7. Rotaract Club organized a Literacy Awareness Programme for Housekeeping Staff.*



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8. College MIS conducted an Administrative Training Programme to Non-teaching faculty for updating and retrieval of data using MIS Portal.

We are one of few colleges in the city where 138 faculty hold doctoral degrees, with many of them currently working towards their Ph.Ds.

Apart from infrastructure to enable learning, the college has adequate facilities to cater to food and entertainment needs of the students. With an exhaustive collection of physical and digital resources, the library promotes reading and research.

For tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.”– Malcolm X

The Departments, clubs and committees organized around 280 conferences, seminars, symposiums and workshops, guest lectures and other activities for the students to expose them to the best of speakers and topical trends in their subjects. They also celebrated different commemorative days enabling the students to focus on relevant themes in a deeper and immersive fashion.

An assortment of programmes were organized in association with the Ministry of Human Resources, Govt. of India sensitizing the students to issues of national importance.

Competitions on a range of current topics from commerce to career, from books to baking were conducted through different modes - writing, memes, sketching, quizzes, essays, videos, rangoli, etc.

Most of the department offers Capacity Building, Skill Development programs (around 28 events have been conducted in the institution). Add on, certificate and Value added courses (45 nos)



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which are relevant, practical and application oriented to the students, matching their skills with the demands of the job market are also offered.

A Publication becomes a guardian of knowledge, a reservoir of information

The college has an impressive track record in terms of publication. Every Department has a vibrant newsletter chronicling in depth the achievements and events of the department. Adarsh Vani, the college magazine with a fresh theme, logo and colorplay every year is where every single activity on campus, every single achievement of every student and faculty finds a place. Adnel is the college newsletter that provides a birds eye view of the happenings on campus.

Networking is not about just connecting people. It's about connecting people with people, people with ideas, and people with opportunities - Michele Jennae

Over 1634 students were benefited through collaborative activities including MoUs and linkages in the form of internships, training programmes, research projects. The college networks with academic institutions, companies, hospitals, corporates and NGOs to bring in fresh ideas and new opportunities for faculty and students.

Success isn't given. It's earned on the track, in the field - with blood, sweat and tears.

With singular effort and complete commitment to the sport they play, students won in 6 international, 11 national, 17 state and 18 university level games this year in a variety of games like Discus, fistball, silambam, chess, throwball, badminton, Taekwondo and cricket. The Sports Day was celebrated with a dazzling display of synchronized fitness and dance performances along with martial arts. A total of 38 sports and cultural events were conducted during the year. The NCC unit of the college led formations and Defense techniques, characteristic of the cadre.

The clubs work towards helping students on sharpening their artistic and creative skills and be a part of a social service engagement, be it helping the underprivileged or working for



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environmental protection. The NSS unit of the college is engaged in citizen centric programmes all through the year.

In a world where you can be anything, be kind– Jennifer Dukes

The individual departments have a social service extension programme with orphanages, old age homes and schools for disadvantaged children creating a culture of giving back to society in the student community.

Keeping up with the beats

Dancing with the feet is one thing but dancing with the heart is another

The intercollegiate and inter departmental culturals, Neherika and Meghmalhar saw the students dance with grace and sing with joy as they participated in individual and team competitions. This was preceded by Manjari, the culturals for the freshers with an impressive turnout.

To handle yourself - use your head, to handle others - use your heart - Eleanor Roosevelt

Student leaders are trained to work not just intelligently but also empathetically. Democratically elected through an e-voting system, the Student Council members work in tandem with the administration resolving student issues and are involved in the conduct of all events on campus.

The best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.—Theodore Roosevelt

The placement cell prepares the students for their careers through mock interviews, discussions and aptitude tests. Every effort is taken to further the prospects of students in securing a job they aspire for.

The exclusive placement officer matches the needs of the industry with the available student talent pool. This year the total number of placement offers has crossed 596 as we await further recruitments.



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If you can change your mind, you can change your life - William James

It is in changing the thinking pattern that we can hope to enable our students to convert their potential capabilities to potent action.

The counseling center provides a safe and supportive environment for students to contemplate and understand their thinking patterns, decision making and life choices.

The college has a medical dispensary with a doctor and a full time nurse to attend to the physical well-being of the students.

Being There

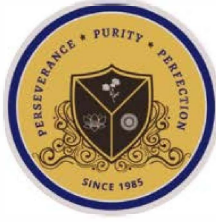
The management provides 384 scholarships and freeships to the students in association with government, NGOs and private bodies each year. The beneficiaries are students from socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds and students excelling in sports. 50 Endowment prizes for students instituted by the management, Principal- HoDs - present and past, faculty, alumni, well wishers, private bodies like the Kothari Foundation and Sekhari Foundation will be presented today.

Of, For and By Women

Through the year, several programmes focussing on women's rights, safety, entrepreneurship, career choices, physical fitness, mental wellbeing were conducted under the aegis of Adarsh Stree Shakti programme.

Nostalgia with a purpose

Alumni get together and events help foster a bond between the old students and the new. Interactive sessions with successful alumni are hosted by all departments to bolster student morale and enable them to see themselves as future achievers.



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Connecting the Dots

The IQAC - The Internal Quality Assurance Cell creates the roadmap for activities and events in the college - outlining the purpose, aim and objective of every programme and defining the structure to be adopted. The IQAC regulates, monitors, strategizes and supports the conduct of events ensuring that they reflect the ethos of the institution.

Creating a Presence

The College has a comprehensive website for online information and a physical digital display board on campus that is dynamically updated. Events are telecast across platforms including traditional print and trending social media.

In conclusion, I would like you students to ponder on the words of Ariana Dancu on how women look upon the world.

She made the broken look beautiful and the strong look invincible. She walked with the Universe on her shoulders and made it look like a pair of wings.

May you shoulder responsibilities with confidence and strength.

தேடிக்கொண்டே இருங்கள்
வேண்டியது கிடைக்கும் வரை
அருகில் இருந்தால்
அதிர்ஷ்டம்
தூரத்தில் இருந்தால்
நம்பிக்கை
கிடைக்காமல் போனால்
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