

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The fundamental aim of the institution was clearly defined by the founding father of college, Pt. Gauri Dutt, a pioneer freedom fighter of Meerut. He aimed at inculcating the spirit of patriotism, developing the global leaders in different areas and preparing highly disciplined youth to serve the nation in both ways, by extending the frontiers of knowledge and spreading the message of patriotism and nationalism to the people residing in the area all around. D.N. College is one of the oldest and prestigious colleges of Northern India. The college is a co-educational, Government aided institution, catering the needs of urban and rural population of nearby areas.

Pt. Gauri Dutt Sharma, a staunch nationalist started a small Deva Nagri School in 1912 for teaching and popularizing Hindi. It became high school in 1921. That was the time when national liberation movement was at its peak and Deva Nagri School was incoming as the center of its activities. Having earned extra ordinary reputation in teaching and discipline, the Deva Nagri Shiksha Samiti, headed by Pt. Prayag Dutt Sharma as President and Seth Sharda Prasad as Hony. Secretary decided to start degree classes in 1958.

By dint of exemplary hard work and devotion the college continued teaching work under acute financial crisis. In 1964, the college started postgraduate classes in chemistry.

Initially the college began in a few rooms of D.N. Inter College hostel with B.Sc. classes having 25 students only but by 1968 a new building of Chemistry Deptt came into existence. The college received the first building grant from UGC in 1970 for constructing the departments of Botany and Zoology. Through the untiring zeal and efforts of the then Hony. Secretary Shri V.S. Gupta and Principal Dr. K.D. Agarwal, these blocks came into existence as the part of the building, which was under the possession of D.N. Polytechnic.

The College started post graduation classes in Economics in 1966. A new faculty of Commerce was added in the College in 1972 and Post graduation in Commerce was

started in 1979. In 1982 the college also started post graduate classes in Botany and Zoology and in Physics in the year 2000. Post graduation in English was started in 2001. Recently, the college has started B.Sc. (Computer Science) classes in 2012-2013. The college provides adequate research facilities in the subjects of chemistry, Physics, Botany, Zoology, Mathematics, Commerce, Economics and English and several students have taken doctorate degree from CCS University, Meerut under the supervision of faculty members of different departments.

In the past decade the college has added a large component of building comprising a huge double storied block of Commerce Deptt and lecture rooms, an administrative block, post graduate block of Physics, a spacious block of the college library, labs of Botany and Chemistry Deptt, a canteen and a gymnasium. The architect of all this progress is our Hony. Secretary, Seth Daya Nand Gupta. In spite of his extremely busy schedule, he always find time to visit and watch the progress of the college almost every day.

The college is managed by DEVA NAGRI SHIKSHA SAMITEE as an organization of educational institutions i.e. Intermediate College, Post Graduate College and Polytechnic College, has people with ideas, thoughts and creativity who passionately nurture talent to achieve excellence. Deva Nagri Shiksha Samittee has a general body and 33 members of Executive Committee having teachers and non-teaching staffs' representation also. The college is recognized under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act.

The College imparts education at under-graduate and post-graduate level and has facilities for research in subjects in the faculties of science, commerce, and arts. The college has a teaching faculty of 40 highly qualified academicians. The strength of students at under-graduate level is 2609 and at post-graduate level 548. Most of the faculty members are actively engaged in research. The several major and minor research projects are completed and running under faculty members and 178 students are pursuing research work for the award of Ph.D. degree under the supervision of faculty members. Several students are getting UGC, CSIR and Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowships.

The college has its own recognition for better results in the university every year, students of different subjects get positions in merit list of Ch. Charan Singh University, Meerut. The college has a distinguished reputation in the field of discipline. That is the reason that college remains first choice for admission among the students.

Appointment of teachers is made by U.P. Higher Education Service Commission, which is an autonomous body constituted for this purpose by the State Government.

University Grants Commission has recognized the college as "College with Potential for Excellence" (CPE) in 2010 and special grant of Rs. 1 Crore have been received under this scheme from UGC. The college has also been sanctioned Jubilee Grant and additional grant by the UGC in 2012-2013.

College has established a Central Computer Lab with internet facility. The Central Library has been computerized. The College also has INFLIBNET membership. A central research lab with adequate instruments has also been established for the benefit of post-graduate students, research scholars and faculty members. A Language Lab is also established for the benefit of the students.

All the roads of the college campus have been made cemented. The college auditorium has been renovated with green rooms. A block having ten halls/class rooms was constructed for Self-Financed departments. The Ist Floor building of Central Library is under construction and likely to be completed soon. UGC grant of Rs. 25,00,000/- was received for this purpose as Golden Jubilee Grant. The e-class room have been completed for e-learning of the students. Ist floor of Administrative Building has been completed.

To promote academic environment in the campus and to provide a forum for academic discussions with subject experts, the institution encourages organization of seminars and conferences. During last five years, several National seminars and conferences were organized with financial assistance from UGC and also from college funds. College provides support and facilities to faculty members for attending National and International Conferences, workshops and faculty improvement programmes.

The college administration is decentralized and committees like Proctorial Board, students' Council, Career Guidance and Counseling Cell, women Cell, Anti-ragging Committee, Health Center, Magazine Editorial Board, Grievances Redressal Cell, etc. have been assigned specific functions.

The IQAC was established in 2007 in the college, which gets feedback from students on curriculum and also about the faculty and appropriate corrective measures are taken. IQAC also holds meetings with students to resolve their academic problems.