

Annual Report of College Activities (2016-2017)

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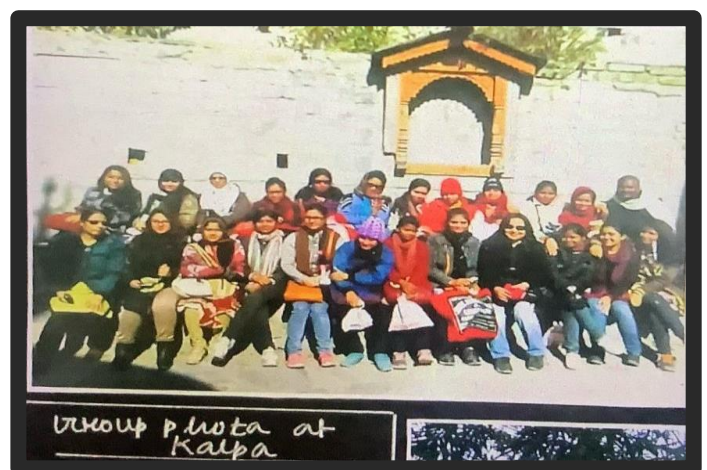
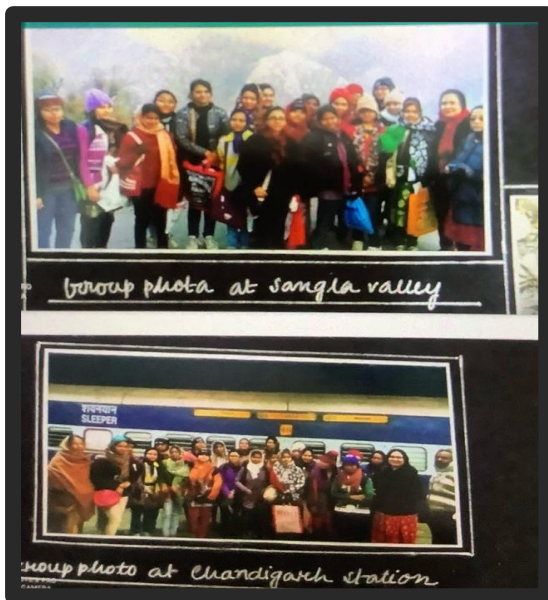
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Long excursion to Kalpa, Kinnaur, H.P. – Dept. of Botany-(10/11/2016 to 20/11/2016)

On 10/11/2016, Teachers of Botany department, Dr Aparna pal, Smt Sharmistha Basu and laboratory assistant Shri Hrishikesh Choudhury along with 21 students of B.Sc. Botany Hons. Went to Kalpa Kinnaur, H.P. The excursion ended on 20/11/2016. During this long educational trip the department visited many places like Kalpa, Kinnaur, sangla valley, Sarahan etc. the excursion was a great success. Students studied the phytogeographical distribution flora, collected plant specimens, observed and documented the epiphytes, exotics and indigenous flora of each spot, did quadrat study and recorded the whole.



Long excursion to Pune, Mahabaleshwar, Maharashtra. – Dept. of Geography-
(16/11/2016 to 23/11/2016)

A field trip was organized with the 44 students of 3rd year (Honours) to Pune -Mahabaleshwar - Matheran in Maharashtra from 16th November to 23th November 2016. They were accompanied by 3 teachers of the department and 2 non-teaching staff. They studied the physical and socio-cultural aspects of the fields area and prepared a field report “Physico-cultural Survey of Gureghar village in Satara district, Maharashtra and its surroundings”.



One -day field excursion to Duttapukur– Department of Botany (8/2/2017)

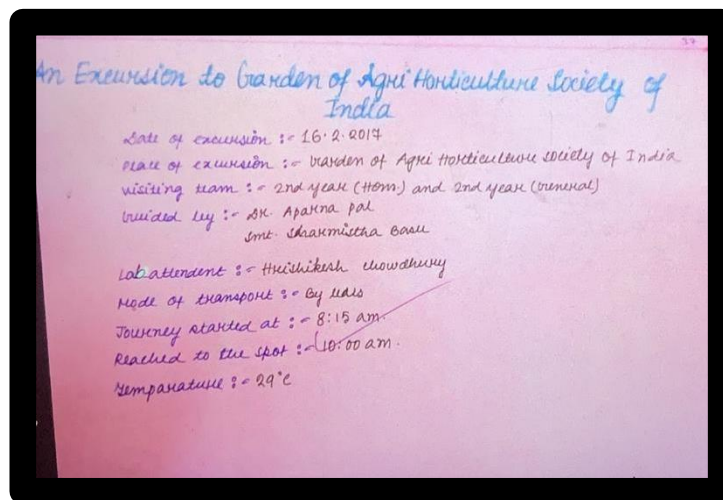
On 8/2/2017, Department of Botany organised a one day local excursion to Duttapukur with the students of B.Sc. PartII(H) & partII(G). Dr Aparna Pal, Dr Sudip Kumar Sinha, Smt Sharmistha Basu, Smt Aditi De , Smt Payel Chatterjee , laboratory assistants Hrishikesh Choudhury and Sanjay Shil escorted the students. On the field, students studied, collected and identified a no. of plants belonging to different families and prepared a list of plants with their respective families.



Students of B.Sc. Botany General after the field excursion and plant collection at Duttapur

Educational Trip to AHSI, ALIPORE- Department of Botany (16.02.2017)

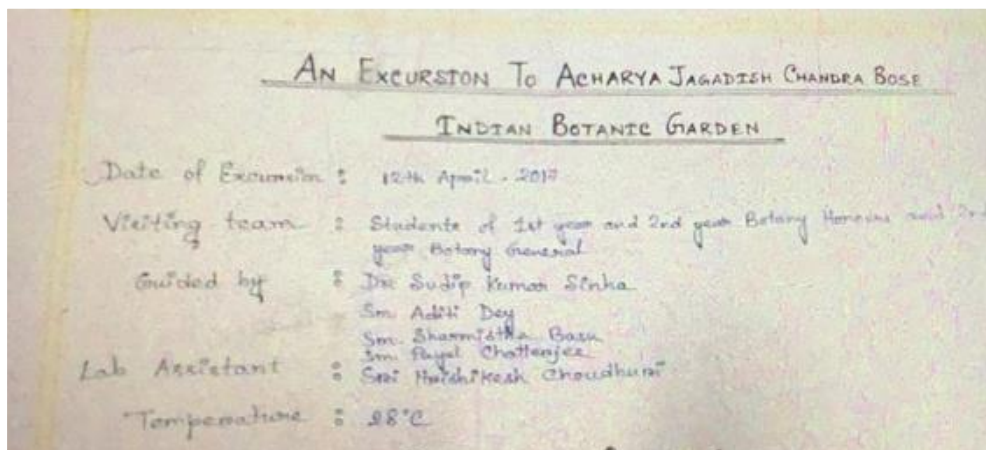
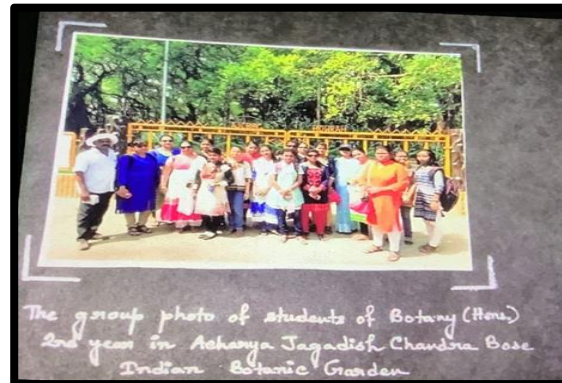
On 16th of February 2017, teachers of Botany department, Dr Aparna Pal, Smt Sharmistha Basu and laboratory assistant Shri Hrishikesh Choudhury along with 16 Students of Victoria Institution college, department of Botany visited the Agri Horticultural Society of India which was founded in 1820 by William Carey on the Alipore Road, Kolkata. It has a flower garden, greenhouses, a research laboratory and a library. It houses a massive collection of plants and flowers. It has a significant collection of botanical varieties, including Cannas for which it has a long and distinguished tradition, with facilities for gardeners and plant/flower lovers. Students visited the entire garden and observed all indigenous, exotic and medicinal plants. We also visited the orchid house which was well maintained.



Field reports prepared by the students

Educational visit at AJCBING ,Shibpur Howrah- Department of Botany (12.04.2017)

Trip to ACHARYA JAGADISH CHANDRA BOSE INDIAN BOTANIC GARDEN on 12/4/2017 with students of Botany hons. And Botany General. Total no. of students were 34. Students gained knowledge regarding various plants, observed their habitat, documented the names of the plants, ferns and other medicinally important plants. We also visited the CNH where a demonstration regarding the preparation and preservation of herbarium was given by an expert researcher.



Part B: Co-Curricular Activities

Parent Teacher Meet- Department of Botany (03.10.2016)

A Parents Teacher meeting was held on 03/10/2016 at 2.00 p. m in the Departmental Laboratory of Botany. The main agenda of the meeting was to discuss various issues regarding the long excursion which to be hold on 10/11/2016to 20/11/2016 to Himachal Pradesh. At first Dr. Aparna Pal reai out the entire schedule of the excursion to the parents & their respective words. Dr. Pal suggested the do's and don'ts during the entire excursion and what precaution should be taken during the entire trip. Next all the questions & queries asked by the parents & guardians were answered to their complete satisfaction. It was also announced that Dr, Aparna Pal, Smt. Sharmistha Basu and Mr. Hrishkesh Chowdhary will join the trip and the entire excursion will be held under their guidance. Total number of Students and Guardian attended the meeting-21.



Parent Teacher Meeting -Department of Sanskrit-16.12.2016

The Department of Sanskrit conducted a Parent Teacher Meeting on 16.12.2016 in the presence of the Principal. Dr. Nibedita Chakrabarty. Primarily the result of the mid-term test was in the focus of the discussion of the meeting. 22 students of 1st year honours along with their Parents were present in the meeting. Five teachers of the department were also there.

At the very beginning of the programme, Principal Madam talked about the importance of the meeting. The principal especially stressed the regular attendance of the students in the classes. All the teachers were unanimous in the opinion that regular attendance, sincerity and perseverance may drive away all the obstacles prevailing in the way to success. Besides that the teachers of the Department pointed out the strength and weakness of the individual student. The students and their parents also shared their views on these points and admitted the utility of the meeting like this.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Head of the Department for the valuable time of the parents.



One Day Excursion– Department of History (17.12.2016)

An excursion was organized by the department of History on 17/12/2016 to Hooghly Imambara, Bandel Church and Hangseshwari Temple. Students of 2nd and 3rd year were accompanied by three faculty members namely Dr. Parnasabari Bhattacharyya, Dr. Suchandra Guha and Prof. Jiaul Anam Molla. This trip was an ideal presentation of our country's varied culture and secular fabric.



One Day Educational Trip at BITM- Dept. of Mathematics (02.01.2017)

Mathematics Hons students visited BITM on 02.01.2017 under the supervision of Dr. Anjana Bhattacharyya. The students experienced various practical applications of Mathematical tricks and formulae at the Mathematical Gallery of BITM. One full day was spent there and the students returned excited and happy to the college in the evening.



Parent -- Teacher Meet- Dept. of Philosophy (11.01.2017)

Parent- Teacher Meet is mandatory in our college. We aim at getting acquainted with their parents. We try to communicate with the parents. They share their difficulties, financial or social or whatever. By means of our conversation their career counseling is done and through this we try to make both the parties aware of the methods of scoring high in the examinations, which is our final goal for all practical purposes.



Parent Teacher Meeting -Department of English-13.01.2017

A Departmental meeting was held on 13.01. 2016 from 2 pm onwards, with the parents of the 1st year students (Batch 2016-17), to discuss matters related to Students' Attendance and Performance after the mid-term exam, in order to caution candidates with poor attendance as well as those with weaker performance before they could appear for their 1st year Test exam and subsequent University Exam. The meeting was attended by a total of 52 candidates with their respective guardians. At the very outset they were duly informed of the college policy of not allowing students with poor attendance percentage as well as marks for the final University exam. The parents as well as the students were given equal opportunity to share their views, their problems and of course feedback regarding the overall functioning of the department. Almost all the parents had actively participated in the interaction process, the feedback received from their side was quite positive indeed.

Report on Parent Teacher Meeting - Dept. of Physics on (18.01.2017)

The Department of Physics conducted a Parent Teacher Meeting on 18.01.2017 in presence of Principal, Dr. Nibedita Chakrabarty and all the faculty members. Total fourteen students of 1st Year Physics Hons. attended the meeting with their parents at Room No 6. Principal Madam started the meeting by giving a comprehensive idea about the need of a PTM. Next our HOD, Dr. Gayatri Pal elaborately informed us about the norms of our department in specific and of our college in general. Emphasis was made on attending regular classes. Also the academic performances of the individual students in the midterm test, class tests were discussed thoroughly. An interactive session took place between individual guardians and the teachers of the department. With a vote of thanks to the guardian the meeting came to an end.

Quiz Competition-Department of Sanskrit-10.02.2017

A quiz competition was organised by the department of Sanskrit on February 10th, 2017 for the 1st year honours students. Three groups were created from the 1st year honours students for the Quiz competition. The topics were two famous drama literature *Abhijñānaśakuntalam* by Kālidāsa and *Svapnavāsavadattam* by Bhāsa from their syllabus. Two teachers of the department asked questions and two teachers marked their score on the board of the seminar room of the Sanskrit department. All groups performed well and after a tough competition the third group of students was announced as the winner of the competition. There were simple prizes for all of them from the department. At the end of the programme, the Head of the Department talked about the importance of arranging such Quiz competitions which helps to revise the lessons of the students in this manner.

Students Talk -Department of Mathematics(13.02.2017)

The students of 1st Year of Mathematics honours participated in a Students' Talk organised by Dept. of mathematics in room no. 2 on 13.02.2017. Students were allowed to choose topics on which they gave a presentation in front of all Mathematics honours students and departmental teachers. They were marked on the basis of their performances. This gave them the opportunity to rehearse themselves for future presentations.



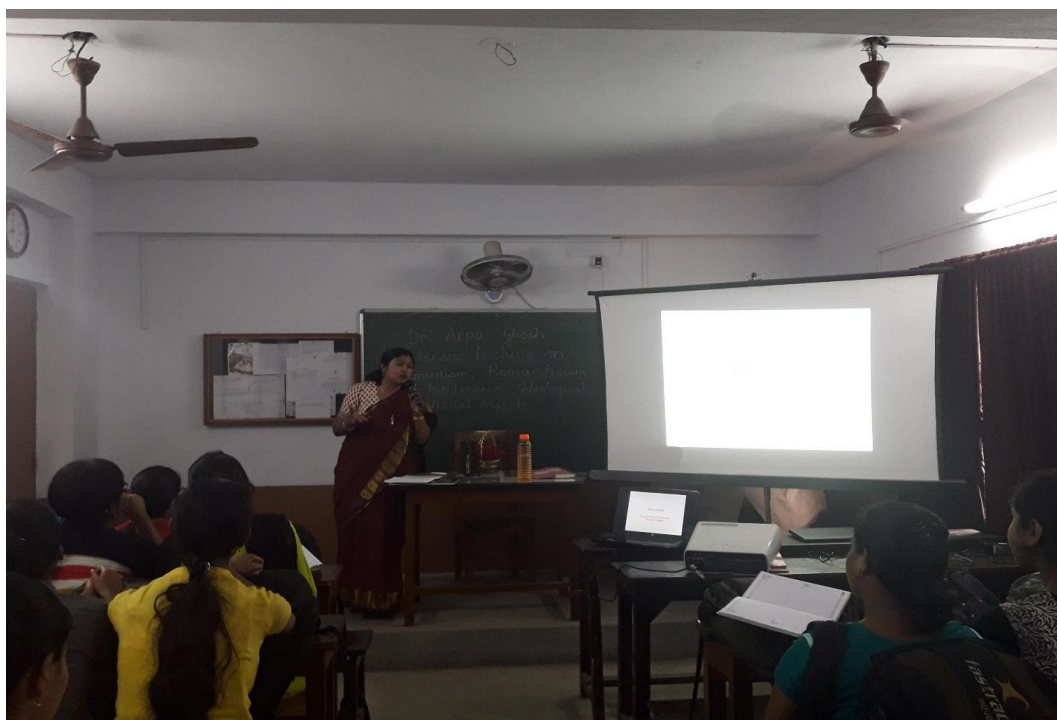
Study Tour at BITM– Department of Physics (13.02.2017)

Twelve students of 1st Year Physics Hons were taken for a day-long educational tour to Birla Industrial and Technological Museum (BITM) on 13th Feb, 2017. All the members of the Physics Department , Dr. Pratibha Pal, Dr. Gayatri Pal , Sri. Subhendu Chandra, Smt. Swarnalekha Bachaspati, Sri. Nilanjan Aich and Sri. Tapan Poddar accompanied the students. The students visited the different scientific display galleries like popular science, mathematics etc and attended some special shows. This educational tour was very much beneficial for the students as they are able to participate in an interactive way at various scientific galleries, thus getting a firsthand opportunity to explore some of the topics they study in their B. Sc. Curriculum. Students were very satisfied and actively participated in the educational tour.



Extension Lecture- Department of English -15.02.2017

An Extension Lecture on 'Humanism, Romanticism and Modernism: Ideological and Visual Aspects' was delivered by Dr. Arpa Ghosh, Associate Professor in English, Vivekananda College for Women, Kolkata. Prof. Ghosh's detailed deliberation with a wide range of illustrations (through PPT presentation) was thoroughly enjoyed by the students and teachers alike. The lecture was very informative as well as interesting. A total of 60 candidates, from the three existing batches had attended the event. The lecture was followed by a long Q/A session, as the students had so many queries which were happily answered by the resource person. The event was truly an enriching experience for all present.



Parents Teachers Meet- Department of Botany (24.03.2017)

A PTM was held on 24/03/2017 at 2 P.M in the departmental Laboratory. The main agendas of the meeting were students' educational progress and an upcoming excursion. All the questions and queries of the guardians were answered to their complete satisfaction. They had been informed about the upcoming excursion. 35 students and guardians attended the meeting.



Part C: Extra-Curricular Activities

Students' Achievement– Department of Psychology



Bithika Mondal: Awarded University Gold Medal in Psychology in 2016



Poulami Sinha: Achieved University Rank- 1st Class 4th in 2017

Participation in a Seminar at Zoology Department, CU (08.02.2017)

The Executive Council of the Zoological Society, Kolkata organised M.M. Chakravarty & D.N. Ganguly Memorial lecture on 8th February 2017 at 2 P.M. in the seminar room (HaldaneHall) of Department of Zoology, Calcutta University.

Lectures delivered:-

1. M.M. Chakravarty Memorial lecture was delivered by Prof. Amitabha Nandy, Retired Professor and Former Chairman, Division of parasitology, Calcutta School of Tropical medicine and Present Director, Centre for studies on infection & immunity in the tropics, Kolkata.

Topic of lecture: “Vector borne tropical diseases and their socio-medical impact”

2. D.N. Ganguly Memorial lecture was delivered by Dr. Goutam Narayan, Project Director, Pygmy hog Conservation Programme, Ecosystems-India and Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust.

Topic of lecture: “Added benefits of saving a sensitive indicator species-conservation programme for critically endangered pygmy hog (*Porcula salvania*)also helps other inhabitants of the grassland habitat”

Participants:- 1st yr Zoology Honours students & Dr. Patralekha Mukhopadhyay,Zoology Department, Victoria college

Experience acknowledged by student participants

We, the B.Sc. 1st yr students of Zoology Honours of Victoria Institution (College) got the golden opportunity of attending the seminar under guidance of our honourable Professor Dr. Patralekha Mukhopadhyay.

In the first lecture we came to know that vector borne diseases are more complicated in the sense that there are 3 live players which are dependent on several and multiple living, non-living intellectual factors for successful interactions to lead to disease outbreaks.

In the 2nd lecture we came to know that as the pygmy hog is one of the most sensitive indicators of the tall and wet alluvial grasslands of Assam, restoration and improved management of habitat for their reintroduction is proving beneficial to the overall biodiversity of these threatened grasslands. This interesting animal is securing the habitat for other endangered species also.

COUNSELLING CELL REPORT ON VISIT TO CAREER FAIR-2017 AT ICE-SKATING RINK, KOLKATA

The Counselling Cell of Victoria Institution (College) organised a visit to the 26th Career Fair in Kolkata held at the Ice Skating Rink from April 29-30, 2017. Members of the Cell attended the fair on 29th April, 2017, Saturday to gather experience regarding the organisation of such a fair and also to have an exposure to various institutions and companies that provide professional training and career opening for the students. They are offered to deliver talks, demonstrations and organise seminars at our college, which can be of immense benefit for our students. Some of the companies and institutions, which shown interest regarding such events are Arena Animation, Adroit Information Technology Academy (AITA), Inspire (training institute for CLAT and other competitive examinations), CMR University, Heritage Group of Institutions, Amity University, Acharya Institute of Technology etc.



Part D: Commemorative Days

Teachers' Day Celebration-Department of Sanskrit(05.09.2016)

The Teachers' Day Programme has been celebrated on September 5th, 2016 by the honours students of 1st year, 2nd year and 3rd year of the Department of Sanskrit. The students cordially invited the teachers of the Department as well as the Principal to pay their homage. Around 40 students have attended the event. They beautifully decorated the class room with balloons and paper cutting and painted the floor. First they conveyed their respect to our honourable Principal Dr. Nibedita Chakraborti as well to all the teachers of the Department by presenting flowers, greeting cards and gifts. Students from 1st year to 3rd year exhibited their talents as a treat to the teachers with their performance of dance, music, recitation and so on. Eventually the teachers also explained the significance of the day and advised the students to follow the teachings of their esteemed teachers to make the life a successful one. Finally there had been some refreshment for both the teachers and students. In this way the function came to an end.



Teachers' Day Celebration-Department of English (05.09.2016)



As always, a wonderful Teachers' Day programme was organized by the students of the English Department, on this special day. It gave all of us yet another opportunity to bond furthermore. A short cultural programme followed by a special felicitation of the teachers, was also arranged by the students, which made it more memorable for the entire department.