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**Introduction:** Spread over 21 acres of land, the sprawling campus of Smt. Aruna Asaf Ali Govt P.G. College, Kalka has a heavenly landscape –laden with fruit trees, green spaces with colorful flowers, and a botanical garden, it is situated at the foothills of the picturesque Shivalik range. Ever since its inception in 1970, the institution has been spreading the light of education in the urban as well as the rural areas of not only Kalka, but also the adjoining towns of the state of Himachal Pradesh.

With rising student strength and the need of technical infrastructure, the college building has expanded manifold times in recent years. At present, the construction work of the IT Block is closing in; and the construction of Girls Hostel is on the cards, as a grant of 5 cr. has been received by the college under GIEI, under PMUSHA. The college is amongst 10 colleges of Haryana for the receipt of this grant for upgrading the existing infrastructure.

Currently, the college is running Bachelors Courses in: Humanities, Commerce, Science and Computer Applications. In addition to this, it also offers Honours in B. Com. The college runs Post-Graduation in Commerce, Hindi, and Geography; and also two professional courses: PGDEMM and PGDCA. The college also offers a Diploma in Performing Arts (Music), which trains the students in Sitar-playing.

In the ongoing session (2024-25), total student strength is 1108, out of which, 692 are girls and 416 are boys. With the commitment and dedication of the staff, the students are bringing laurels to the college, in academics as well as co-curricular activities. The college was accredited with B+ grade by the NAAC in 2017, and is ready for the next inspection.

**Staff:** Out of 58 sanctioned posts, regular teachers are working on 44 seats, out of which, one Asst. Prof. of English is on deputation to G.C. Raipur Rani. The workload of the college is of 63

teachers. 1 guest and 10 extension lecturers are working in various subjects to make up for the shortfall. To manage the three computer labs efficiently, 2 computer instructors are also working on contract basis. The faculty members are hard-working and research-oriented. The total sanctioned posts for the non-teaching staff are 38, regular employees are working on 12 posts. To compensate the shortage, as many as 25 contractual employees are working on various posts in the college.

### **Achievements of Staff:**

All the teaching-staff members actively participate in Faculty Development Programs, and other Courses, to keep abreast with the latest trends in education.

Principal, Promila Malik was given Certificate of Appreciation for doing excellent work in the field of Education, by Rajya Sabha M.P. from Ambala, Mr. Kartikey Sharma, on the recommendation of S.D.M. Kalka.

Mr. Jagpal Singh, Asst. Prof. of Punjabi, translated a book, titled, “Chandigarh Ne Lupt Kiye Puadhi Gaanv” which has been brought out by Unistar Publications, Mohali, in 2024.

Mr. Jagpal was also conferred with ‘Shivalik Gaurav Award’ by the Shivalik Vikas Manch, Panchkula, in Oct, 2023; and with Dist. Level Award by the Panchkula Administration, on Republic Day in 2025. He also received an Appreciation Letter from the SDM, Kalka, for his efficient services during the General Lok Sabha Elections, 2024.

Dr. Jaspal Toor, Asst. Prof of Commerce, completed his Doctorate from Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut, and the PhD degree has been awarded to him in June 2024.

Dr. Suresh Kumar, Asst. Prof. of Commerce, has been conferred with the PhD degree from Maharaja Aggarsain University, Baddi, in Jan. 2025.

Dr. Geeta Kumari, Asst Prof of Hindi, completed her PhD from the Dept. of Hindi, Panjab University, Chandigarh, in Oct 2024

Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Asst. Prof. of Commerce, has been empaneled as a PhD Supervisor in the Dept. of Commerce, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra. Meanwhile, his first Research Scholar completed his PhD from Maharaja Aggarsain University, Baddii, this January.

Dr. Kavita Rani was felicitated by the Dist. Adm. Panchkula, on Independence Day 2023, at the India International Centre, New Delhi, for her remarkable work in Hindi Literature. In May 2023, she was also felicitated by Her Excellency, Mateja Vodeb Ghosh, Ambassador of Slovenia, for her contribution to Hindi Lit.

### **Website:-**

The college has a user-friendly website that gives a glimpse of the college and its working. It offers relevant and authentic information, and is updated on daily basis.

The college is accessible at [\*\*www.gckalka.edu.in\*\*](http://www.gckalka.edu.in)

**IQAC:-** The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college, under the convenorship of Dr. Ravinder Kumar, is effectively documenting the working of the college, as per the UGC norms and instructions, which shall be helpful in NAAC accreditation. The Cell has successfully submitted the AQAR of the college, till the session 2023-24, and is prepared for III NAAC circle, as per the Binary System for Accreditation, which is yet to be introduced by the NAAC.

The cell organized a One-Day Workshop for the staff on MOOCs Development in 2023-24, and a National Seminar on Indian Knowledge System, in January 2025. Around 175 delegates from all over the region participated in this Seminar, in offline and online mode.

To bridge the gap between the parents and the college staff, and to seek feedback from the parents, PTM is held twice a year, i.e. towards the end of each semester, which bears fruitful results, as in motivating the students as well as the college to do better.

### **RTI:-**

In compliance with the Right to Information Act -2005, the college has an active and responsible RTI cell, with Dr. Ravinder Kumar as the SPIO (State Public Information Officer).

### **Scholarships and Stipends:-**

In the session 2023-24, under Consolidated Stipend Scheme and Free Books Scheme for SC Students Pursuing Higher Studies, 208 SC students were provided an amount of Rs. 2000 for

books, and stipend of Rs.1000 per student - per month for 12 months. Out of these, 150 are girls and 58 are boys.

Also, 07 BC students benefited from the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post-Matric Scholarship for OBC, EBC, and DNT.

Under the Student Aid Fund, a recent initiative for the needy students, the tuition fees of Rs. 1600 each was refunded to 04 students of various classes of the college.

### **Cultural Activities:-**

To enhance the overall personality of the students, particularly the freshers, **Talent Search Contest** and **Parwaaz Utsav** were held in the college. These two-day programmes were organized under the aegis of Youth and Cultural Affairs Dept, KUK. More than 400 students (in all) participated in various items: Literary Activities, Quiz, Art and Craft Activities, Drama, Instrument Playing, Singing and Dancing. The prize winners were given cash prizes as per the university norms.

The commended item from the Zonal Youth Festival, **Indian Orchestra**, subsequently performed in the Inter-Zonal Youth Festival, in Nov 2024.

The one of its kind musical programme, **Shaam e Ghazal**, was organized for the college staff during the Parwaaz Utsav. Pt Dr Harvinder Kumar Sharma, renowned Sitarist and Sh Sushil Sharma, a ghazal singer enchanted the audience with their mellifluous art. Also, The SPIC-MACAY organized a musical event of Mandolin play by world renowned Mandolin artist, U. Nagamani, in Feb 2024.

### **Sports:-**

Under the leadership of Mr. Hardeep, the college organized the Annual Athletic Meet on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in the college stadium.

Around 250 students of the college participated in various track and ground events.

During the current session, the Men's Volleyball Team of the college, secured First Position in the Zonal Inter College Tournament held at KUK.

The Yoga Club, under the leadership of Dr Geeta Kumari, brought laurels to the college with Tamanna Sharma, a student of MSc Geography, winning the Gold Medal in the Inter-College Yoga Championship. She further participated in the All India Intervarsity Tournament at Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

### NCC:-

NCC SD (Boys Unit) GC Kalka functions under the supervision of Associate NCC Officer, Dr. Yashveer, a trained ANO, and the Senior Wing Girls Unit is supervised by Lt. Dr. Gurpreet Kaur. In this session, 32 boys and 30 girls were selected for the NCC, after they qualified the PFT and Written Test for the First Year NCC Enrollment.

1. Senior Under Officer, SD Cadet Mandeep made the institution proud as his passion for NCC paved his way to the **Republic Day Camp in Jan 2024, at Kartavya Path, New Delhi**. He was also honoured by the DG, NCC for best artist in the Flag Area Competition.
2. 26 SD Cadets and 32 SW Cadets participated in CATC (Combined Annual Training Camp) and also the NCC Firing Practice at 50<sup>th</sup> ITBP Bn at Panchkula, in Aug and Sep. 2024 respectively.
3. Five SD Cadets and four SW cadets participated in the Army Attachment Camps in Oct. 2024, and Nov. 2024, respectively, organized by 2 Har Bn NCC Ambala, GP HQ Ambala.
4. Lt. Gurpreet Kaur was detailed for the RDC Selection Camp, Bilaspur, in Oct. 2024; and 8 cadets participated in this Camp.
5. 6 SD and 16 SW cadets participated in the Inter Battalion Cultural Competition at GMN College Ambala Cantt, from 30th Oct. to 1st Nov. 2024, out of which 2 SD and 16 SW cadets were selected.
6. ANO LT. Yashveer also attended the camp in Nov. 2024 as a **Member of Board of Officers** of the selection of RDC Team for DTE (Directorate).
7. In the **RDC Camp** 2024-25, Cadet SUO Smarth participated in the various stages, from 05th Oct to 22nd December 2024.
8. 3 SD cadets participated in a week-long Odisha Trek in Jan. 2025, for which Lt. Dr Yashveer was also detailed.

9. Apart from this, the SD as well as SW cadets went for Parade on Independence Day and Republic Day functions at the Sub Divisional Level. They actively participated in the RD Cultural Competitions, Run for Unity, Heritage Walk, Athletic Meet, and Blood Donation Camps. The cadets also rendered voluntary services during all the college programs during the sesasaion.

### **NSS:-**

The NSS volunteers are doing community service, under the Programme officers Dr. Sonu Kumar and Dr. Sarita Rani. The volunteers have been trained to believe in the motto- 'Not me, But you'.

A seven-day 'Day and Night Camp' was organized by the NSS units, at Guru Ravidas Temple, in March 2024. The volunteers set an example of solidarity and social awareness, by staying together, and participating in various activities conducted during the camp. The camp was highly applauded by not only the staff and the Principal, but also by the local administration.

The activities conducted during the session 2024-25 include *Swachhta Pakhwada*, *Tiranga Yatra*, *Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam*, *NSS Day Celebrations*, and an Online Quiz Competition on *Viksit Bharat* –a Govt. of India venture.

### **College Library:-**

The college has a fully equipped library with a total no. of 32866 books. All the books, except those purchased in the present session, have been automated with the SOUL 2.0 software. The library has membership of N-List, through INFLIBNET, thus facilitating the availability of unlimited number of journals in every branch of study. 28 magazines and 09 newspapers in Hindi and English are available in the library. The library also subscribes 6 Commerce journals. Ms. Kiran, Junior Librarian is working on expediting the automation of the remaining books. For the session 24-25, the subscription of Digital Library Membership of British council of India, and National Digital Library of India, have been renewed.

The Library provides a welcoming, serene and spacious ambiance to facilitate self-study. The daily issue-return average of the students is 60-70 percent.

**College Magazine:- Shivalika**

The college magazine, *Shivalika*, is a venture taken up to give a platform to the students and staff where they can display their creative talent through writing. Earlier the magazine used to be distributed in print form but 2020 onwards, E-magazine has been launched to keep pace with the advancement in technology. Now, the students, teachers as well as general public can access the magazine by visiting the college website –anytime, anywhere. College magazine of the session 2024-25 is being compiled, and shall be uploaded on the college website in April 2025.

The editorial board includes:-

***Dr Meenu Khyalia***

***Chief Editor***

**Editor:**

**Section:**

Dr. Yashveer

English

Dr. Bindu Sharma

Hindi and College News

Sh. Jagpal

Punjabi

Dr. Pradeep

Sanskrit

Dr. Bindu

Science

Dr Ragini

Commerce and Women Cell

**Women Studies and Development Cell**

Under the convenorship of Ms. Sunita Chauhan, the Women Cell Team of the college organized a Self Defense Workshop for Girls, in January, 2025, which immensely benefitted the students. Two extension lectures were organized by the cell, on, Women Friendly Law, and Careers in Social Work. An interaction with a Nutrition Expert, Ms. Monika Malik, on Addictive Eating Among Youngsters was also organized in the month of February, 2025.



In addition to these, the WSDC also organized a medical check-up camp for the girls, which is an annual affair.

#### **Earn While You Learn:-**

Under the 'Earn While You Learn' scheme, 24 students of the college were placed in various labs, library and office, to work @ Rs.100/-per hour, per student. For the current session, the students were engaged in November 2024. Total grant of Rs. 75,000 has been received for this session which shall be optimally utilized.

#### **Legal Literacy Cell:-**

Under the aegis of Haryana State Legal Awareness Authority and DGHE, 'Students Legal Awareness Program' was organized, in which the Quiz Competitions at Dist. level were conducted by Smt. Aruna Asaf Ali Govt. P.G. College, Kalka, in Apr and Aug 2024. The awareness programs were organized by the Legal Literacy Cell, under the convenorship of Dr Virendra Atwal.

#### **Placement Cell:-**

Under the convenorship of Dr. Ragini, the cell has been playing an active role in getting students prepared for jobs around them.

Placement Cell signed MOU with Daira Tech Skills Academy for providing career counselling and workshops in the areas of Digital Markrting, Graphics Designing, Website Development, Video Editing, etc. 100% placement assistance to the college students for the next three years.

Another MOU was signed with Times Edutech and Events Ltd. for providing access to career development resources and opportunities through Times Pro-A new app designed to enhance skills, knowledge and career deadlines.

Extension lectures and various competitions were also conducted during this session, on significant topics.

#### **Entrepreneurship Development Club:-**

Under the able guidance of Sh. Suresh Kumar, the ED Cell of the college keeps organizing lectures and workshops to disseminate information regarding Startups/Entrepreneurship.

In the present session, the Cell organized a gala event on Diwali, in Nov. 2024. This Diwali Mela gave students an opportunity to showcase their entrepreneurial skills, with stalls exhibiting/selling spices, herbal beauty products, paper/cardboard bags, decorative earthenware, home furnishing products, and some food stalls. Daira Tech Skills Academy, Panchkula also set up their kiosk and sponsored prizes for the best stalls.

The ED Cell also organized a one day trip to international Trade Fair, Chandigarh in Aug 2024, which benefited the students immensely.

### **Tour and Trips:-**

In the current session the grant of Rs. 25750 was received for boys' tours, which was almost fully consumed. Dr. Pradeep, incharge of the tour committee, arranged a one-day trip to International Geeta Mahotsava, Kurukshetra, on 15<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2024, which benefited 65 students, and Rs. 24830 were utilized. Three faculty members, along with the attending staff, accompanied the students on this trip.

Teaching departments of the college also keep organizing short self-financed trips to various places for education and excursion purposes.

### **Red Cross Society/ Red Ribbon Club :**

Dr Kavita Rani, the incharge of the club, along with the students, attended 28<sup>th</sup> One Day State Ambulance Training Program in Nov, 2024. The students attended Training Programs at Kurukshetra, and Haridwar, in Jan 2025, along with Ms. Savita, Asst. Prof. of Public Administration.

The Red Cross Society organized two successful Blood Donation Camps in July and November 2024. Also, in Sep 2024, One Day First Aid and Basic Disaster Management Training Camp was held in the college, in which 100 students were imparted this training.

### **Arts Society:-**

All the Arts Teaching Departments conduct a myriad of activities, like Slogan Writing, Essay Writing, Poster Making, Debates and Discussions, etc.

The Dept of Hindi organized a visit to the Book Fair in Jan 2024, for their PG students. Also, a One-Day Workshop was held in Feb 2024, on “Creative Writing”, by Dr Ankit Narwal, an award winning Writer.

In Sep 2023, The Literary Club ‘*Shabd Shilp*’, in association with the Skt, Pbi, Eng, and Hindi Depts., organized many Language-Enhancement Activities to mark the National Literary Week. The Club keeps organizing literary activities to enhance the students’ interest in different genres of literature.

### **Science Society:-**

College level Science Exhibition was held in Nov 2024. Subsequently, one model each from Physics, Zoology and Computer Science participated in Dist. Level Science Exhibition at G.C. Barwala (Pkl).

An Awareness Workshop on Vulture Breeding and Conservation was organized by the Science Society on 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2024, under the aegis of SDG Club. Mr. Prakash Mehta, Conservation Officer, from Jatayu Conservation Breeding Centre, Pinjore was the speaker.

The B.Sc. students participated in the Zonal-level Science Quiz; and in the State-level Essay Writing Competition, in Nov 2024 and Feb 2025 respectively.

### **Commerce Society:**

The Commerce Society, under the convenorship of Ms. Sheetal Mangla, organized a two-day Commerce Fest “Palaash” on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. It is an annual mega event comprising of competitions related to Business Management and Advertising, a Quiz competition and some cultural activities.

Apart from this, “Budget Pe Charcha” was organized in February 2024, which gave the young students a chance to express their views on the Annual Budget of India.

**Eco Club:** In Aug 2023, the Eco Club organized Miyawaki Method Forest Plantation, in the Shanti Kunj area of the Campus. the goal is to create a small cluster of forest, creating oxygen hotspots. 190 different plants have been bedded in 210 sq mts of land.

During the current session, the Eco Club organized Best Out of Waste, and Plastic Waste Management programs, to reduce and utilize solid waste in a productive way. Also, a ***Letter of Understanding (LOU)*** has been signed with Bisleri International for effective and eco-friendly reutilization of plastic.

**Alumni Committee:-**

The college has its own registered Alumni Association, with 450 registered members. Under the convenorship of Dr. Meenu Khyalia, the committee organized Alumni Meet, '***Milap 2024***' on April 27, 2024. The event was graced by distinguished alumni, including Rtd. Judge, Ms. Raj Rahul Garg, who was the chief guest. The achievements and experiences of both Govt. and Pvt. Sectors, shared by the alumni were noteworthy and nostalgic. Dr. RamChand, a distinguished alumnus, working as a Prof in the college itself, donated 50,000 rupees for establishing a Biodegradable Litter Management Unit in the college.

New members are added to the association every year. The members are connected via WhatsApp, Facebook, and e-mail; and they attend the academic, cultural and sports activities organized by the college.

**Mentorship:**

Under Ms. Ena Ahuja's convenorship, the Mentor Groups of the students are being run smoothly through Tutorial/Mentor Periods and also through WhatsApp, which has made the dissemination of important information (regarding College Rules, PTM, Important Functions, and Examination-Related news) convenient, fast and hassle-free. In 2024-25, there have been 35 mentor groups. For successful mentor-mentee interaction, proper agenda is prepared and communicated to the students, prior to the Mentor period.

**Day Celebration:-** The Day Celebration Committee of the college organizes programs on all special days of international, national, social, and cultural importance. During the current

session, the committee successfully organized activities on Teachers Day, Sardar Patel Jayanti, Flag Day, Constitution Day, Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti and Geeta Mahotsava.

Apart from these, Rallies, Drives and Marches are organized by the committee on various important occasions.

**State Level Grants:**

The college received handsome grants for the session 2024-25, the amount of which is as follows:

**Lab Augmentation and Science Exhibition:** 90090

**Sports:** 40000

**OE:** 70,000 + 33000 for OTG, Water Dispenser and Refrigerator + 25000 (Biometric)

**Earn While You Learn:** 75,000

**Placement Cell:** 11,654

**Women Cell:** 20,000

**IKS Seminar:** 50,000

**Cultural :**30000

**Library:** 2,50,000

**Boys' Tours:** 25750

The college is constantly striving to reach perfection in education, and is fast heading towards its goal.

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