

- Around 30 students from MA English participated in an **Online Quiz Competition** organized by the English Club of MDSD Girls College, Ambala city from September 27-September 30, 2023. The topic of the quiz was ‘Romantic Poets in English literature’. **Fourteen students** were awarded **certificate of achievement** for scoring more than 80% marks.
- **Priya** from BA III stood first in **English Poetical Recitation Competition** at the ‘Sahitya Utsav’ organized by I.B College, Panipat from 13-14 October, 2023. She also bagged the consolation prize in Dictation in the same event.
- The department in collaboration with The English Literary society and under the aegis of IQAC organized two **Extension Lectures** for BA Final and MA students on 26 October, 2023. The resource person was Dr Neena Arora, Formerly Associate Professor of English at Dyal Singh College, Karnal. In her intellectual discourse, she touched upon the practical application of critical theories and the critical analysis of Raja Rao’s magnum opus, “Kanthapura”. The twin lectures proved beneficial for our students and a key contribution was to elicit a critical response from them on pertinent literary questions that are often pushed to the fringes of mainstream discourses.



- **Sarika** from MA **stood first** in the **University Results** with a whopping 79.4% marks.
- The department organized a **National Level Online Short Story Writing Competition** under the able guidance of the department head, Mrs Sunit Bhandari to discover the budding literary gems across the nation in October 2023. The I prize was bagged by Harshit Krishanatri from Sohan Lal DAV College of Education, Ambala City, II prize was bagged by Rishita from KVA DAV College for Women, Karnal, III

prize was bagged by Deepak Sheoran from A.I. Jat H.M. College, Rohtak and Consolation prize was shared by Smrita Toor from Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Yamuna Nagar, Haryana and Rupal Malik from Hindu Girls College, Sonapat.

- **Intra-college Debate competition and Poetical Recitation Contest** were organized on 3 November 2023 by the Department of English in collaboration with Debate Society and Literary Societies of Department of Hindi, Sanskrit and Punjabi. **Talk by established novelist and Literoma Awardee, Dr Shivangi** on ‘How to Write a Bestselling Novel’ was also organized on the same day. It was an insightful session aimed at fuelling the creative dreams of students.



- A **Multidisciplinary One Day National Seminar (Online)** was organized by the department in collaboration with **ICCASH** on the topic “Gender Equality & Women Empowerment: Breaking Stereotypes of Patriarchy” on 16 March 2024. The seminar was organized with the express objective of proposing plausible conceptual, cogent, and practical tools for promoting gender equality and women empowerment in a lucid and well-thought-out manner. Since women are important allies to achieve the lofty goal of sustainable development, it is important to ensure as well as fortify their empowerment in all spheres of life.
- A **National Level Online Essay Writing Competition** on the topic ‘Vision of Developed India by 2047’ was held on 26 March 2024. The competition saw great participation from creative writing enthusiasts across the length and breadth of the whole nation. Tamanna from Dr Ganesh Dass DAV College of Education for Women,

Karnal, bagged the I position, the II position was bagged by Tushali from KVA DAV College for Women, Karnal and the III position was bagged by Vanshika from Mata Sundri Khalsa Girls College.

- **Talk by budding author Vaishnavi Thapliyal** was organized on 18 April 2024 by the Department of English in collaboration with Debate Society, Creative Writing Society and Literary Societies of Department of Hindi, Sanskrit and Punjabi. She shared her incisive and profoundly astute experience of penning an award-winning novel at a tender age and inspired students to pursue their artistic dreams fearlessly. **Intra-college Poetical Recitation Contest and Debate Contest** were also organised on the same day to augment the creative fervour amongst the students.



- Departments of English and Political Science organised a **One-day Educational Visit** to the President's House, PM Museum and Red Fort at New Delhi on 4 April 2024. A total of 52 students and 5 staff members participated in the visit which aimed to provide students with a firsthand understanding of the historical and political importance of these institutions.



