

## Govt. College for Women, Parade Ground, Jammu organized Alumnae Meet

To take a walk down the corridors of nostalgia, the most prestigious institution in the city GCW Parade, Jammu established in the year 1944 which now holds strength of 6500 students experienced a new environment on 19<sup>th</sup> of Dec 2017 when an alumnae meet was held in the college auditorium. Along with wrinkled faces, famous personalities found their way back to their college to meet their old friends and once they come across the changed faces recognized each other, tone of emotions governed their hearts and minds. The meet started traditionally with the lighting of the lamp by the Principal of the college Dr. Hemla Aggarwal and senior members of the advisory committee along with the recitation of a shloka by the college student. After the welcome address by Principal Dr. Hemla Aggarwal, the convenor of the alumnae committee Prof. Samriti Manchanda gave a power point presentation in which she highlighted about the achievements of the college. Many members of alumnae graced the occasion by their presence. There was an interactive session with the esteemed guests. Prof. Ved Ghai who is an eminent personality of our state revived some memories of her college days. She suggested that the syllabus should be framed in such a way that many key concepts like taxation system, political set up should be taken from the Sanskrit literature. There should be translatory works from Sanskrit to English.

**Prof. Indira Rathore** who is the president of Alumnae association said that this meet is reviving the association. Its purpose is to create a bond off and on, and also to know about the development of the college and parameters where it is lacking. She also talked about the revival of women study centre and introduction of different skill development programmes.

**Prof. Rita Jitender** stressed upon the need of the Auditorium in the college where dramas and other historical plays of significance be performed. She also suggested to invite the students of the college in the next Alumnae meet to share their experiences and to know about the challenges of the college and to decide about the important measures to be taken for the improvement. There should be better teaching learning programmes. In the end she also suggested that more creative writing workshops should be organized in the college so that students can become sensitive creative and good human beings.

**Prof. Sindhu Kapoor** was very much nostalgic about her college days. She said that faculty should try to have motherly touch towards their students. Students sometimes are very aggressive in the college, so faculty should try to channelize their negative energy in doing something constructive. She also said that faculty of the college should organize Graduation Day for the students as this will maintain tradition of compassion between students and teachers.

Prof. Kiran Bakshi suggested teachers to initiate interest of students to use library extensively. They should try to encourage the students to stay connected with the books. She said that we should be researcher within our ownself and try to produce students of that very temperament which is not possible without books.

After the interactive session the ambience was electrified with different games and ice breaking sessions by Dr. Shivani Manchanda, great bonhomie was observed everywhere by the cultural programme organized by the Music Department. In the end the vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Shalini Sharma. The meet ended with the promise to meet again and everyone bid emotional farewell to each other.

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