

SMHS GOVERNMENT COLLEGE, SAHIBZADA AJIT SINGH NAGAR



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Major H P Singh
HE MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE

Shaheed Major Harminderpal Singh Government College is named after its student Harminderpal Singh, who made supreme sacrifice on April 13, 1999 while fighting with terrorists in Kashmir. The college, affiliated to Punjabi University, Patiala is imparting quality education at PG and UG level covering streams of Science, Commerce, Arts and IT. Majority of the students come from rural Punjab.

VISION

To achieve greater heights in Physical, Moral and Intellectual aspects
To excel in Art, Culture and Science.

To keep pace with latest technological development in an atmosphere of academic excellence

THE MISSION

To impart quality education to boys and girls from rural areas around SAS Nagar. The low fee structure aims at supporting deprived and backward sections of the society.

The College Motto "Aspire for Truth" motivates the students to achieve the truth of life through Knowledge and Wisdom.

The college emblem with the swan soaring into the expanse of the vast universe signifies human quest for truth and the aspiration to scale to lofty heights in the fields of art, science and culture.

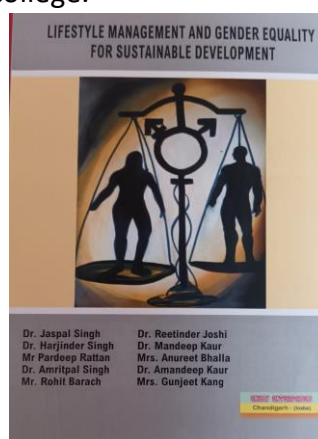
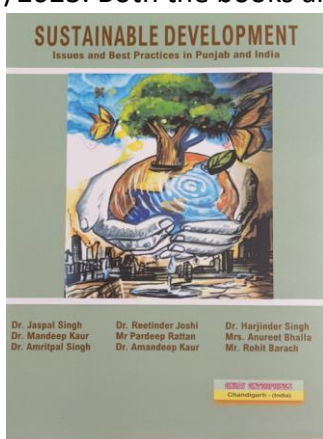
The inspiration of this emblem has come from the words of Guru Amar Das, the third Sikh Guru:

"The God-wards in God's love are pure like the swans, and sublimating their ego, they abide on the shores of Lord's sea".

- ❖ **Admissions 2023 24-** Admissions to entry classes for the session 2023-24 started on the centralised portal of the Punjab Govt. from 15 May 2023 for UG classes and for PG classes the admissions started from 15 July 2023.
- ❖ **Plantations by Young Farmers' Club-** The young farmers' club planted ornamental chillies and rose flowers contributing to the beautification of the college.
- ❖ **Prospectus 2023-24** – The college prospectus for the session 2023-24 with all the necessary details about college courses, fee structure, scholarships and related information was released by Sh. Sukhdev Patwari ji and his associate, social workers along with the college Principal and teachers.



- ❖ **Letter of Appreciation** – The college got appreciation letter from the Deptt. of Forests and Wildlife Preservation for maintaining a large part of the campus under green cover with a variety of trees resulting into habitat for many birds and specially peacocks.
- ❖ **Kargil Diwas** – On 26th July 2023, Kargil Vijay Diwas was commemorated in the college.
- ❖ **Shaheed Udham Singh** – The college remembered Shaheed Udham Singh Sunam on the day of his martyrdom, (31 July, 1940) by keeping a two minutes silence.
- ❖ **Vermicompost Project** – Earth worms were added in the pits for making vermicompost and covered with green sheet to avoid any harm from peacocks.
- ❖ **Sher-e-Punjab Cricket Tournament** – The college students watched and enjoyed the Sher-e- Punjab cricket match at the Punjab Cricket association ground at Mohali on 30/07/2023. Physical Education faculty Mrs. Simar Preet accompanied the students for this match.
- ❖ **Books with ISBN No. Released** – Hon’ble Higher Education Minister, Punjab released the book “**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: Issues and Best Practices in Punjab and India**”. Another book on “**LIFESTYLE MANAGEMENT AND GENDER EQUALITY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**” was released by Mrs. Jyoti Yadav, SP, Mohali on 31/07/2023. Both the books are published by the college.



- ❖ **NSS Tree plantation** – The NSS unit on 01/08/2023 in collaboration with Eco Plantation Club – 69, Mohali and State Bank of India Ph.- 1 branch planted more than 100 trees of medicinal ayurvedic properties.
- ❖ **Book Donations** – The pass out students of B Sc Bio Technology 2022-23 donated books for the college library which were shifted to the deptt. to be used as book bank for the students.
- ❖ **Students’ Assembly for Entry Classes** – An assembly for the new admitted students for the entry classes was organised on 03/08/2023. The students were apprised off the time table, sections, Library, NCC, NSS, Social and academic clubs, Activities of the college, scholarships and other welfare and rules and regulation of the college.
- ❖ **Festival of Libraries** – Pardeep Rattan, College Librarian attended Festival of Libraries on 5th and 6th August 2023 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. The festival was by Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India.
- ❖ **Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav** – Ms. Swati Kiran, research fellow from Punjab University Chandigarh educated the college students about Tribal Empowerment.

- ❖ **Faculty Development Prog.** – “Teachers as Leaders” – FDP was organised on 12/08/2023 and Dr. Sangeeta Shahane from ICFAI Business School, Mohali interacted with the college faculty. The session was organised by the Commerce deptt. of the college in the college seminar hall.
- ❖ **Pillars of the Nation Awards 2023** – Dr. Amritpal Singh, deptt. of Maths was awarded Pillars of the Nation Awards 2023 by Sh. Ram Niwas Goel, Hon’ble Speaker of delhi legislative Assembly, for his contribution in the field of mathematics.
- ❖ **77th Independence Day celebrations** – The Distt. Level Independence Day celebrations were held on the college grounds. The flag was hoisted by the Cabinet Minister, Sh. Aman arora.
- ❖ **Awards to College Teachers** – Dr. Jaspal Singh, Dr. Reetinder Joshi and Asst. Prof. Ghansham Singh were awarded appreciation letters by the Distt. Administration on 15th August 2023, Independence Day celebration for their contribution in the field of education and for providing extraordinary services for the welfare of the society.
- ❖ **Teej Celebrations** – Teej was celebrated on 19/08/2023 in the college by the girl students and the staff as well. Prof. Baljinder Kaur, Chief Whip of the Punjab Cabinet graced the Teej as chief guest. Gidha, mehndi, Punjabi mutiar and Punjabi gabhru were the main attractions of teej festival.
- ❖ **“Bio Inspired Innovations”**- A seminar on Bio inspired innovations was conducted by Ms. Deepanshi Awasthi, Research Scholar, IISER, Mohali. This seminar was organised jointly by the deptts. of Botany and Zoology on 21/08/2023.
- ❖ **Rangoli Competition** – The deptt. of Bio Technology organised Rangoli making competition in collaboration with Microbiologists Society, India on 21/08/2023 in the college on the theme Viral Diseases.
- ❖ **Chandaryan 3**- The staff and students greeted each other and ISRO, on the successful landing of Chandrayan 3 on 23/08/2023 on the south pole of moon. India became the first country in the world to achieve this feat.
- ❖ **Meeting with Finance Minister, Punjab Govt.**- Principal along with a delegation from the college met Hon’ble Harpal Cheema ji, Finance Minister, Punjab on 25/08/2023 to discuss various development projects for the college and regarding ownership of 3-acre land of the college that was transferred to the deptt. of Medical Education and Research for nursing College.
- ❖ **Environment Awareness Congregation and Rally** – Deptts. of Botany, Zoology, NSS unit and Geography jointly conducted a lecture and student rally on 26/08/2023 on the clean and green initiatives for the environment. Students were made aware of the health hazards of subtle burning.
- ❖ **SSR Submission**- In view of the upcoming NAAC accreditation, under the able guidance of Mrs. Harjeet Gujral, Principal and with tireless efforts of the entire staff the college successfully submitted the SSR on the intervening night of 25/26/08/2023.
- ❖ **Green Punjab Rally** – The college students participated in the Green Punjab rally organised by Punjab Government on 29/08/2023. Cabinet Minister Sh. Lal Chand Kataruchak was the chief guest for this rally.

- ❖ **NCC Enrolment** – NCC enrolment camp 2023 for college students was organised on the college grounds on 29/08/2023. Written and physical test were conducted among boys and girls to select the NCC cadets.
- ❖ **MERA BILL APP-** The deptt. of Excise and Taxation, Punjab Govt. launched Mera Bill App on 01/09/2023 in the college Sabrang Hall. The students were made aware of this app which focuses to plug the loop holes in the GST collection. Students present in the hall downloaded the app on that very day. The students of Geography department motivated by Dr. Jaspal Singh also downloaded the Mera Bill App. **Dr. Jaspal Singh jotted down a song on MERA BILL APP.**



- ❖ **Swachhta Pakhwara** – The Home Science deptt. from Sept. 01-15. 2023 conducted different activities to make the students aware of the cleanliness of the surroundings, personal hygiene and campus upkeep.



- ❖ **Khelo India Women League-** Archana, student of BA 2 of the college won 1st position in the weight lifting competition under 49 kg category at Asmita Women League Khelo India conducted by Chandigarh Chapter on 4/9/2023. She lifted 127 kilograms.

ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਕਾਲਜ, ਐਸ ਏ ਐਸ ਨਗਰ ਦੇ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀ ਨੇ ਖੇਡਾਂ ਵਤਨ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੀਆਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਜਿੱਤ ਹਾਸਲ ਕੀਤੀ



ਐਸ ਏ ਐਸ ਨਗਰ, 13 ਸਤੰਬਰ (ਸ.ਬ.) ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਦੇ ਖੇਡ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਵਲੋਂ ਬਲਾਕ, ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਅਤੇ ਰਾਜ ਪੱਧਰ ਤੇ ਕਰਵਾਈਆਂ ਜਾ ਰਹੀਆਂ ਖੇਡ ਵਤਨ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੀਆਂ 2023 ਵਿੱਚ ਸ਼ਹੀਦ ਮੰਜਰ ਹਰਮਿੰਦਰਪਾਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਕਾਲਜ, ਐਸ ਏ ਐਸ ਨਗਰ ਦੇ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀਆਂ ਨੇ ਵੱਖ ਵੱਖ ਮੁਕਾਬਲਿਆਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਭਾਗ ਲਿਆ ਅਤੇ ਇਨਾਮ ਜਿੱਤੇ।
ਕਾਲਜ ਦੇ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਦੇ ਮੁਖੀ ਪ੍ਰੋ.

ਸਿਮਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਨੇ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਕਿ ਕਾਲਜ ਦੀ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥਣ ਮਨੀਸ਼ਾ ਨੇ 400 ਮੀਟਰ ਦੇ ਲੰਗ ਜੰਪ ਵਿੱਚ ਪਹਿਲਾ ਸਥਾਨ, ਮਨਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਨੇ 100 ਮੀਟਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਦੂਜਾ ਸਥਾਨ ਅਤੇ ਤਾਨੀਆ ਨੇ 100 ਮੀਟਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਤੀਜਾ ਸਥਾਨ ਹਾਸਲ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ।
ਇਸ ਮੌਕੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਸ਼ੀਮਤੀ ਹਰਜੀਤ ਗੁਜਰਾਲ ਨੇ ਜੋਤੂ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਵਧਾਈ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਮਿਹਨਤ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਉਤਸ਼ਾਹਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ।

- ❖ **NAAC- SSR Clarifications** – SSR clarification submitted successfully on 14/09/2023 and further sent to DVV partner on 14/09/2023 as part of verification process.
- ❖ **Distt. Level Awareness Prog. Against drug Abuse and HIV AIDS** : The Red Ribbon College of the Club and Distt. Administration joined hands together in the college Sabrang Hall to mark the awareness programme against HIV AIDS and Drug abuse.
- ❖ **Remarkable Performance by NCC Cadets** – The NCC Cadets of the college in various competitions like FS & BC, DST, Firing and Cultural activities won 17 gold and 2 bronze medals for the college among NCC units from Punjab, UT, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh. The competitions were held at NCC HQs at Ropar on 19/09/2023.

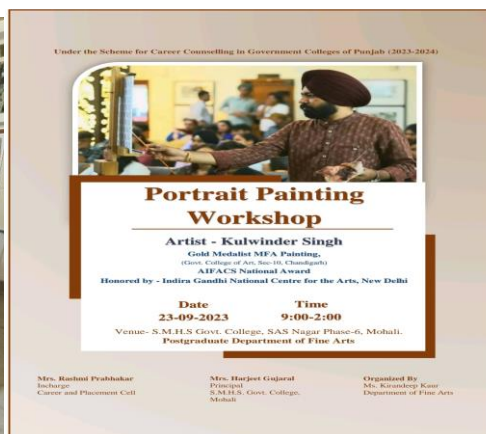


- ❖ **National seminar on Scope and Role of Punjabi language in Skill Development** – A seven days seminar and workshop on the scope and capacity of Punjabi language in developing the skills of the students was organised by the PG deptt. of Punjabi from

20/09/23 to 27/09/2023. The workshop was sponsored by Deptt. of Higher education, Punjab.



- ❖ **Portrait Painting Workshop** – The PG deptt. of Fine Arts conducted one day workshop on portrait painting on 23/09/2023 for the students of Fine arts. Artist Kulwinder Singh gave a live demonstration in the workshop.



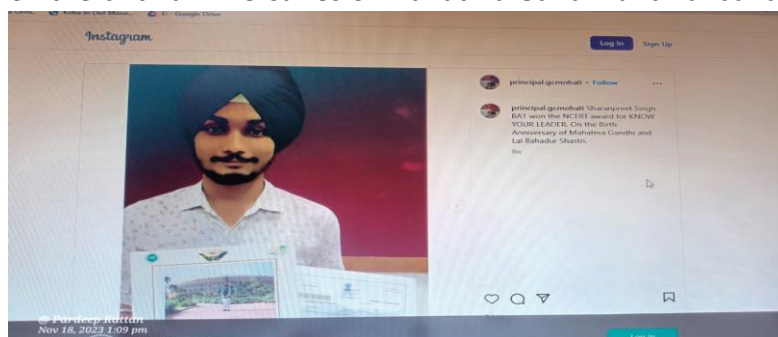
- ❖ **English Cursive writing Workshop** – English Cursive writing Workshop was organised jointly by the PG deptts. Of English and Fine Arts on 29/09/2023. Mrs. Gayatri Singh from the deptt. of Fine Arts shared various techniques of calligraphy with the students of the college.
- ❖ **Workshop on Communication Skills** – A 10 days workshop on communication skills in English was organised by the PG deptt. of English in which 35 students of the college participated.



- ❖ **Kabaddi Gold Medal** - Sukhjeet Kaur of biotechnology 1 year student got gold medal in kabaddi at district level (Ropar), now she will play at state level organised by Punjab Govt. Khedan vatan diyaan .
- ❖ **Swachhta Divas** – To mark the birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation, 2nd October 2023 was celebrated as the Swachhta Divas in the college. Students and staff participated and carried over cleanliness activities in the college. **The NCC cadets** also presented a nukkad natak on importance of cleanliness. **Students of the Fine Arts deptt.** made posters on the theme – Clean India on this occasion.



- ❖ **Mid Semester Term Exams** – The students of semester 1, 3 and 5 took the mid sem exams which commenced from 03/10/2023.
- ❖ **Know Your Leader Award** – Sharanpreet Singh of BA 1 won the NCERT award for know Your Leader on the birth anniversaries of mahatma Gandhi and Lal bahadur Shastri ji.



- ❖ **Zonal Youth Festival- Ropar Fatehgarh Zone** – The college students participated in the competitions among 152 colleges for the Zonal Youth Festival organised by Punjabi University Patiala at Govt. College Ropar from 09 to 12 October 2023. The students represented the college in 47 events and won 02 first positions in MITTI DE KHIDONE and CARTOONING., 2nd positions in PLAY- NAGMANDAL and ON THE SPOT PAINTING COMPETITION and 3rd place in 10 events making it to a total of 14 awards.



- ❖ **World Mental Health Day** – Under the theme ‘Mental health is a Universal Human Right’ the college observed World mental health day on 10/10/ 2023. Mrs. Munisha Mahajan Addressed the students and a documentary was also shown to the students on this day. Mrs Harjeet Gujral, Principal urged the students to pay less attention to mobile phones and more to the social life and human relations.
- ❖ **BIS Awareness Day** – On 12th October 2023, Mrs. Talika, Dy. Director, Bureau of Indian Standards, Chandigarh addressed the college students and shared different parametres of checking the standard norms for quality of different products.
- ❖ **Certificate course in Banking, Finance and Insurance** – the college has started from the current session 2023-24 a certificate program for the college students on banking finance and insurance.
- ❖ **KHEDAN VATN PUNJAB DIAN** – In the event of weight lifting, under 21 age group and 55 kg weight category, our college student of BA 2, lifted a total of 135 kg and 1st position.



- ❖ **Legal Literacy Club** – A seminar on free legal services being provided to the poor and the weaker sections of the society was held for college students by the college legal literacy club on 18/10/ 2023. Sh. Baljinder Singh, Secy., Distt. Legal Services Authority addressed the students on this occasion.
- ❖ **Lecture on Gender Sensitization** – The college Anti Sexual Harassment Cell organised a lecture on gender sensitization in which the speaker Dr. Ritu Lehal from Punjabi University, Patiala addressed the girl students of the college and urged the students to be aware of specific gestures and places to safeguard themselves against any type of harassment.
- ❖ **OSA Meeting** – A meeting of the executive committee of OSA was held in Principal’s office on 20/10/2023. The planning for college development projects and upcoming NAAC visit was discussed at a length with the Principal, Prof. Jaspal Singh, Prof. Ghansham Singh and the IQAC in charge.
- ❖ **Lecture on Academic Bank of Credits** – Prof. Nishtha Tripathi from the department of History on 25/10/2023 highlighted the importance and significant points of ABC in her address to faculty members of the college.

- ❖ **Seminar on career counselling** – On 2nd November 2023, The college unit of Career counselling and GCMSIP organised one day seminar on career choices for the students. Ms. Arpana from Infomath covered a wide range of career prospects covering banking, govt. and entrance exams.



- ❖ **Hygiene Awareness** – The girl students of the college on 03/11/2023 met with the mentor/ mentees for a hygiene awareness programme organised by the college Red Cross Unit.



- ❖ **Screening of GANDHI film** – The department of History organised special screening of Richard Attenborough film ‘Gandhi’ on 4th November 2023 in the college seminar hall for the students of history department.

- ❖ **Seminar on E Content development** – The deptts. Of Commerce and Economics in collaboration, organised a one-day seminar on 03/11/2023 for developing and promoting e content for advance learning skills.

- ❖ **Green Diwali - Fine Arts deptt.** of the college organised green Diwali mela on the college campus on 07/11/2023. The students were encouraged not to make use of fire crackers. The students also showcased Rangolis made with flowers, leaves and other natural material on this occasion.



NCC cadets of the college took out a rally spreading awareness among students not to fire crackers this Diwali. The cadets took oath to celebrate green Diwali with Sh. Dalivir Singh Dhillon, Chairman, Small Scale Industries, Punjab.



PG Deptt. of Punjabi and Red Ribbon Club of the college also celebrated green Diwali and made aware the students of environmental and health hazards of the fire crackers.



- ❖ **Hunar to Rozgar Mela** – The department of Home Science organised Hunar to Rozgar mela on 08/11/2023 involving home science students who exhibited various artefacts made by themselves.



- ❖ **Inter College Weight Lifting Championship** – Archana, student of BA 2 won silver medal in the Inter college Wt. lifting championship held at Punjabi University, from 7th November onwards at Patiala.



- ❖ **Divinity Club** – Divinity Club of the college organised a talk on LEARNING MEDITATION on 09/11/2023 for college students and staff where Acharaya R L Sharma addressed the gathering confronting daily lifestyles and how meditation helps to come out of stress of day to day challenges. Dr. Nishtha Tripathi introduced the guest speaker.



- ❖ **Free Sanitary Napkins for Girl Students** - To promote the personal hygiene among female students Punjab Government constituted a committee under the Chairmanship of Principal Govt. College SAS Nagar to purchase and distribute the

sanitary napkins to the girl students of the schools and colleges in the state of Punjab. The committee completed the assignment in time.



- ❖ **Self help and self protection workshop** – The deptt. of physical education organised a workshop especially for girl students to train them for self protection on 15/11/2023 on the college campus.
- ❖ **OSA – Cleanliness Drive** - The Old Students Association of the college undertook cleanliness drive across the college cleaning and pruning the unwanted wild growth of vegetation.
- ❖ **Wreath Laying Ceremony at Chandigarh War Memorial by NCC Cadets** – Under the leadership of Lt. Sukhwinder Singh on 19/09/2023, our cadets took part in Wreath Laying Ceremony at Chandigarh War Memorial to give tribute to the brave hearts who gave their life for the purpose without even thinking about themselves.



- ❖ **Punjabi Maah (Punjabi Month)- November 2023** – SMHS Govt. College, SAS hosted 4 days book exhibition from 20-24 november dedicated to promotion og Punjabi language. The event was organised by the District Language Department. Sh. Harjot

bains, minister Higher Education inaugurated this mega event. Seminars, lectures and talks were also organised during the four days.



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