

# Newsletter

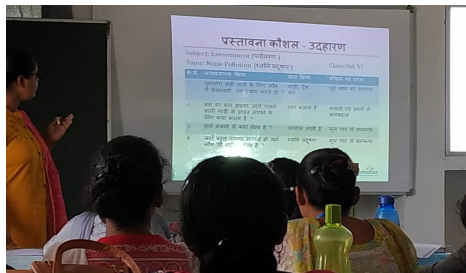
## August 2019

### C-TET SUCCESS!!!

17 students from our 1st and 2nd batches have made it to an all-India elite list by passing the Central Teachers Eligibility Test (CTET). With this success, they become eligible for appointment to the very prestigious and coveted Central Government Schools, like the Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas across the country. Significantly out of the 29 lakh (2.9 million) students who wrote the exam in July this year, only 12% were successful. Our 25% success rate beat the all-India average by a substantial margin. As proud as we are of this metric, we are confident that our students who didn't make it the first time (many of them by just a whisker!), will do so in December, when the exams are held again. We look forward to reporting on this again.

### MICROTEACHING WORKSHOP (26TH AUG - 31ST AUG)

Last week we concluded our 4th 6-day Micro Teaching Workshop. This workshop and the consistent practice sessions that follow have been remarkably successful in preparing our student-teachers to confidently and effectively teach a real classroom. Not surprisingly, this is also one of our most popular courses.



The microteaching workshop in session



Simulating a real classroom - Student Practice

### SPECIAL HOUR CELEBRATION

This month saw our students recognize and celebrate 2 very special days, the Quit India Day (8th August), and the Women's Equality Day (26th August).

On Quit India Day, students discussed the history and significance of the Day, and lessons that are useful even today.

The recognition and celebration of Women's Equality Day was led by our Chairman Shri Ranjit Sinha who is a keen advocate of women's rights. Students responded enthusiastically and with passion to discussions on gender inequalities, inheritance, marriage, and other social and political rights. It was a powerful hour that also generated a sense of solidarity with women all over the world.

Shri Prabhakar Shukla (Assistant Professor for Hindi Language) anchored the function and recited a poem (to great applause) that he had written especially for the occasion.

"तू अमलतास की नारी है"

अमृत बन तू, हाला बन, आज धधकती जवाला बन। अपने अधिकारों की रक्षा कर, वीरों की तू शाला बन ॥

शिव को झुकाने का तेज दिखा, रणचंडी बन तू अग्निशिखा। पथ की अड़चन आज मिटा, बढ़कर जल तू दीपशिखा ॥

तू दुर्गा है, जीजाबाई है तू, सत्तावन की लक्ष्मीबाई है तू। करदे कोई करिश्मा तू, कुओं भी है अरु खाई भी तू।

तू समता की अधिकारी है, तुझपर दुनिया वारी है। तेरे लिए क्या मुश्किल है, तुझपर सब बलिहारी है ॥

झुककर तूने देख लिया, झुकाने की अब बारी है। और नहीं है कोई भी तू, तू अमलतास की नारी है।

### STUDENT'S ARENA - MUSINGS OF A FIRST YEAR STUDENT

It's been two months since I joined Amaltas College of Education. It has been a pleasing journey. The first day was Orientation Day. All of us were totally new to each other. The day started with an inspiring commencement address by Ratna Ma'am followed by a wonderful 'meet' and 'greet' hour. We met the faculty for the first time, and were introduced to the college's aims and regulations. At the end we visited the college campus and had lunch together. From the second day classes started and we started understanding what we are supposed to do. Meanwhile there are so many other things which are interesting as well as informative. Each week there is special hour. First one was on Malala Yosufzai which showed us on how to stand against injustice and improper things. Every special hour session gives us important life lessons and opens up new lines of thinking. One special session we all loved the most was on 26th August, being celebrated as Women's Equality Day. The hurdles that every woman faces even today are critical issues. We were once again reminded of how we are supposed to be and the stereotypes we have come to accept. We need to break these barriers and move on.

- Ramita Rawat (First Year B.Ed)

### INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

India's 73rd Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm and fervor on 15th August. The national flag was unfurled by our Hon'ble Vice Chairman Ms. Ranjana Sinha followed by a welcome speech, by our Managing Trustee Ms. Saloni Sinha in which she stressed on preparing for changes in education that are inevitable, and the importance of continuing education for all. This was followed by a cultural programme by our student-teachers embodying the spirit of freedom and nationalism.



Students and Faculty on Independence Day



Sri Ranjit Sinha speaking on Women's Equality Day