Annual Library Festival 2022 – Report

JDMC Library celebrated its Annual Library Festival. The week long libfest begin with Intercollege Hindi Declamation contest organized in collaboration with Abhivyakti - The Hindi Debating society of the college on 26th September,2022 over zoom. The competition witnessed overwhelming response as 181 students registered across the colleges from Delhi and other states and 32 participants shortlisted. Some glimpses of the event are

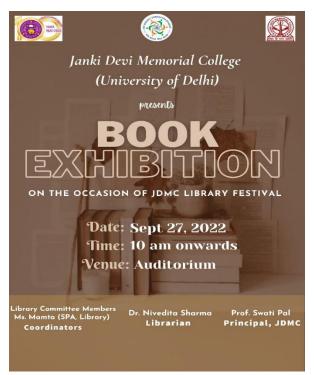




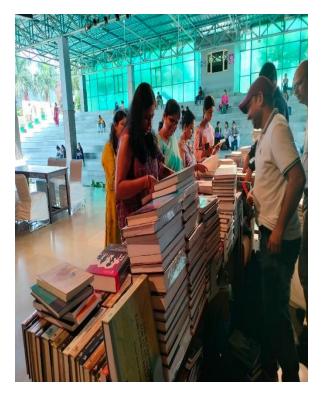




On 27th September, Book Exhibition was organized in the College Auditorium. Publishers and distributors exhibitted the titles and Students and Teachers cherished the books and also recommended for the library.





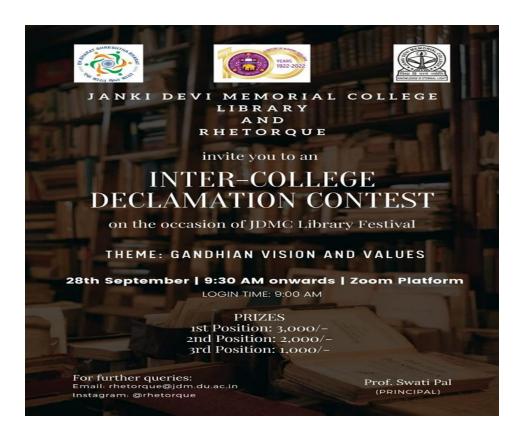




Rhetorque: The English Debating Society of Janki Devi Memorial College in collaboration with JDMC Library organized an Inter-College Declamation Competition on the occasion of JDMC Library Festival on the theme "Gandhian Vision and Values". The competition was held on 28th September 2022 over Zoom.

The competition witnessed registrations from more than 35 participants, out of which 20 participants were shortlisted. The participants came from various institutions in the Delhi NCR, ranging from Miranda House, Gargi College, Ramanujan College, etc. The competition presented five topics to the participants to prepare their respective speeches. The topics are as follows:

- 1. The assassination of Gandhian Vision
- 2. Understanding the Gandhian Vision is the need of the hour
- 3. Propaganda on social media against Gandhi's legacy
- 4. The urban-rural gap in Gandhi's vision
- 5. Understanding widowhood in the Gandhian vision



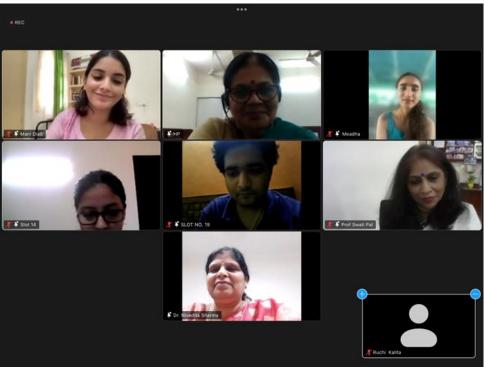
Poster of the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022.



The Principal, Prof. Swati Pal, addressing the audience during the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022





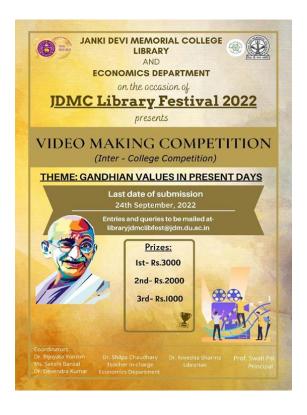


The Judges and the Prize Winners of the Inter-College Declamation Competition held on 28 September 2022 with the Principal, Prof. Swati Pal, and the Librarian, Dr. Nivedita Sharma.

On 29th September, Inter-college online Video Making Competition on the topic "GANDHIAN VALUES IN PRESENT DAYS". The College Library collaborated with the Economics Department to organize for the students of various Colleges.

This activity helped the students to showcase their talent and creativity through the video prepared by them. The video entries were submitted through mail. The judges of the event were Ms. Sakshi Bansal, faculty of JDMC and Dr. Peerzadah Oveis, faculty of Gitam University, Bengaluru. The result was announced on 29th September 2022.

Poster and Brochure

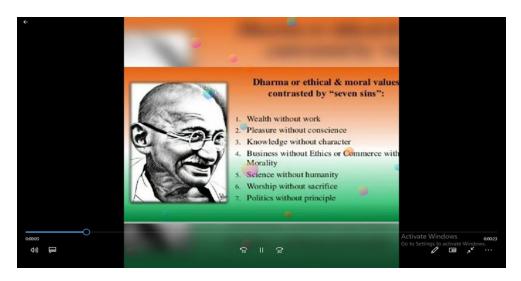




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On September 30, Gandhi Study Circle and the Library of Janki Devi Memorial College in collaboration with The Gandhi Bhawan, DU, hosted a Panel Discussion on the topic 'Representing Gandhi' to jointly celebrate Gandhi Jayanti and the annual College Library Festival.

Prof KP Singh, the current director of the Gandhi Bhawan, Delhi University chaired the session. Other Panellists included Prof Ramesh Chandra Gaur, Director, National School of Drama, Prof Raj Kumar, Professor in Department of English, Delhi University, Dr Ravikant a bilingual Historian, writer and translator at the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi and Mr Iqbal Rizvi, a journalist and author in Indira Gandhi National Center for Arts, New Delhi.

The event commenced with the college prayer along with lighting of the lamp. Both the Principal Prof Swati Pal and Dr Natasha Nongbri, the Gandhi Study Circle, Convenor spoke on the relevance of the theme of the Panel Discussion. Prof KP Singh in his opening remarks, spoke of the express need to inculcate and integrate Gandhi's ideas into our lives. He remarked that

Gandhi is extremely influential in all spheres of life. Dr Ravikant spoke of Gandhi's complicated relationship with Cinema in spite of which, the cinema wholeheartedly embraced Gandhi and his ideals. Prof Ramesh Gaur spoke about the importance of authenticity in the age of information. He spoke of the proliferation of false news and propaganda. He stressed on the idea that reading is important to understand a person and their character. Prof Rajkumar explored the various interpretations of Gandhi through three seminal novels, *The Untouchable, Kanthapura, and Waiting for the Mahatma*. He spoke of the various versions of Gandhi available through culture and literature. Mr Iqbal Rizvi further commented on Gandhi's strong stance vis -a- vis Cinema in terms of his conviction of the potential and perhaps 'dangerous' reach of Cinema. Prof Singh concluded the discussion by remarking on the immense need particularly for students to keep engaging with Gandhi.

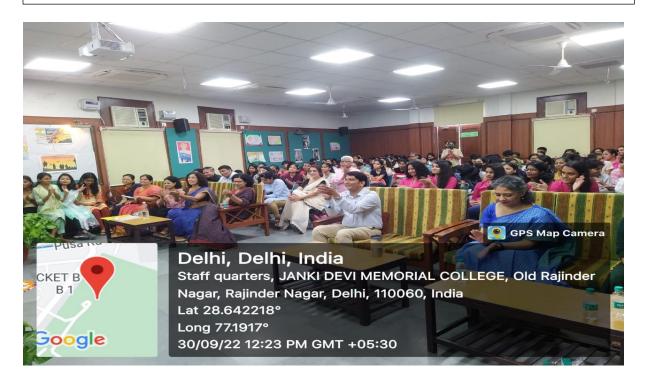
The event ended with a vote of thanks by the College Librarian, Dr Nivedita Sharma, and the performance of the national anthem. It was enthusiastically attended and appreciated with the promise of further engagement with the speakers in individual sessions in the coming days.



The Panel: Mr. Iqbal Rizvi, Dr. Ravikant, Prof. K.P. Singh Prof. Ramesh C. Gaur, Prof. Rajkumar with the Principal Prof Swati Pal



The Panel





The Lighting of the Lamp and College Prayer

