



Iridescent Report 2025-26

Janki Devi Memorial College

University of Delhi

Coin-Toss Stories: A Short Story Writing Competition.

Event name: Coin toss Stories: Two sides of fate, A Short Story Writing Competition

Type of event: Intra-College Poetry Writing Competition

Event date and time: 12th November, 2025; 12pm-1pm

Venue: Room. No 66

Hour: 1 hour

Coordinator: Prof. Indu Jain, Dr. Antara Datta & Mr. Samiran Ghissing

Brief Report:

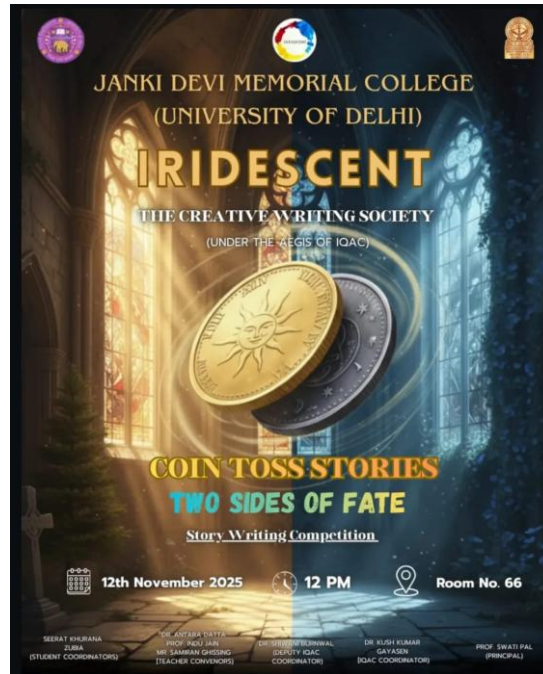
Iridescent, the Creative Writing Society of Janki Devi Memorial College, organised a story-writing competition titled “Coin Toss Stories: Two Sides of Fate” on 12th November 2025 in Room No. 66.

The competition required participants to write two interconnected stories, each presenting a different outcome of the same situation. Both stories had to include a coin reference, symbolising how a small moment of chance can shape two contrasting paths.

Participants engaged thoughtfully with the theme and presented well-crafted narratives that highlighted imagination, structure and clarity. The atmosphere remained focused and enthusiastic as students wrote with sincerity and dedication. Faculty members appreciated the depth and variety in the interpretations.

The event concluded on a positive note, leaving participants motivated and encouraging a continued interest in creative expression.

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Attendance & Feedback Form

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‘Living with Poetry’: A Poetry Workshop

Event name: ‘Living with Poetry’ A Workshop with Dr. Jaydeep Sarangi in collaboration with EDA

Type of event: Workshop

Event date and time: 2nd September, 2025 at 12 pm

Venue: Room 14

Hour: 1 hour

Coordinator: Prof. Indu Jain, Dr. Antara Datta Dr. Sanjukta Naskar & Mr. Samiran Ghissing

Brief Report:

Iridescent, The Creative Writing Society of Janki Devi Memorial College, in collaboration with The English Department Association organised a workshop titled ‘Living with Poetry’ on October 8th, 2025 from 12pm onwards in room no. 14. The event welcomed students from all departments and aimed to inspire them to read and know about a wide range of poems, fostering consistency, confidence and a deeper connection with words.

The event commenced with Prof. Sanjukta Naskar felicitating Dr. Jaydeep Sarangi with a sapling as a token of respect and welcome. Dr. Sarangi began the workshop by displaying pictures of George Seferis and Pablo Neruda, thoughtfully explaining their significance. He then proceeded with showcasing various quotes written by himself and other renowned poets. During the session, he recited poems like ‘*Dhauri*’ and ‘*The small towns and rivers*’ along with his own compositions.

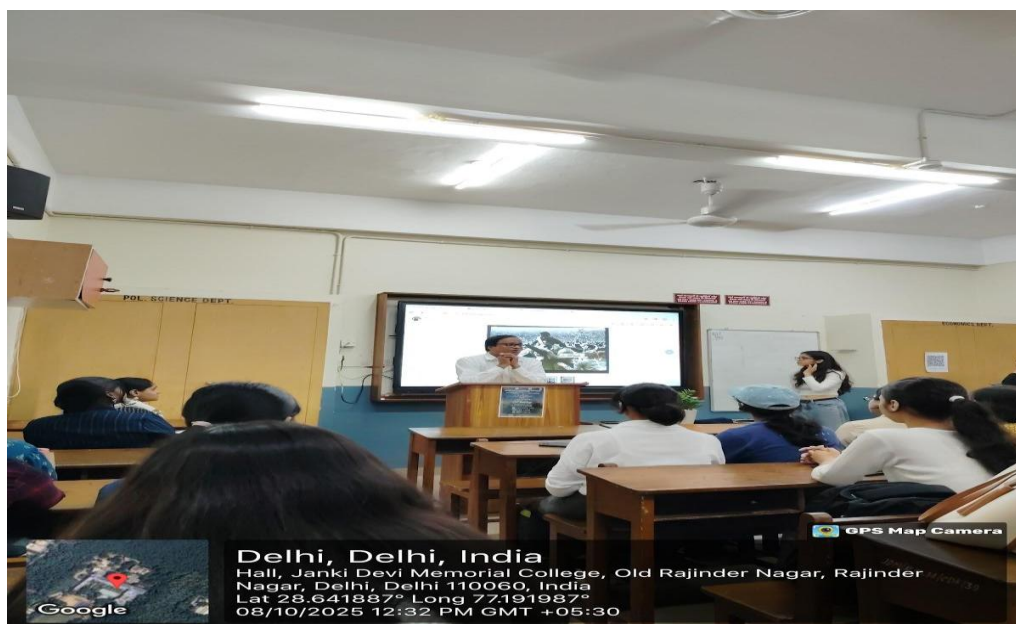
Dr. Sarangi also shared techniques and approaches to help students enhance their poetry writing, explaining his points with examples of poems such as “Simplicity” by Jorge Luis Borges and “Love” by Basudhara Roy.

In the end, Dr. Sarangi invited students to share and recite their own piece of work. This was followed by a question and answer session, after which he shared recommendations for poetry reading and inspired young minds to keep writing & exploring the beauty of poetry, concluding with an inspiring statement: “*You can break, and only you can make*”. Overall, the workshop was impactful and encouraged imagination in young minds.

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IRIDESCENT X RENDEZVOUS Poetry Writing Competition

Event name: IRIDESCENT X RENDEZVOUS Poetry Writing Competition

Type of event: Inter-College Poetry Writing Competition

Event date and time: 24th September, 2025; 12pm to 1pm

Venue: Room 64

Hour: 1 hour

Coordinator: Prof. Indu Jain, Dr. Antara Datta & Mr. Samiran Ghissing

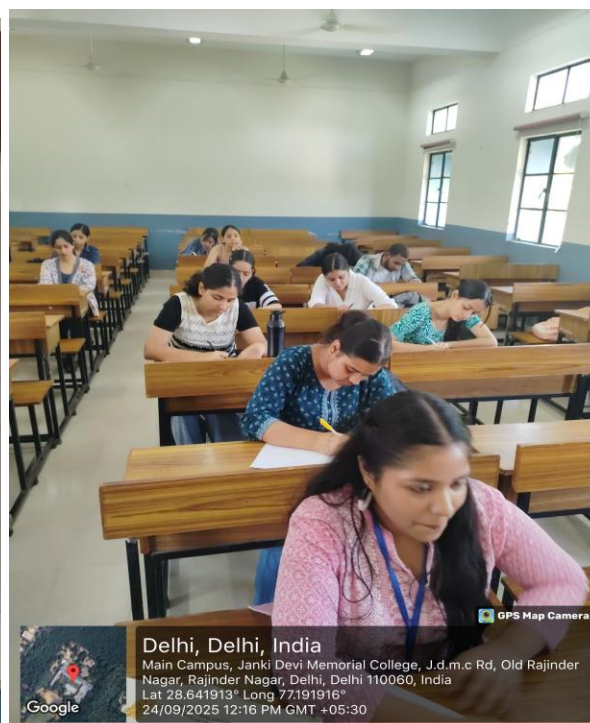
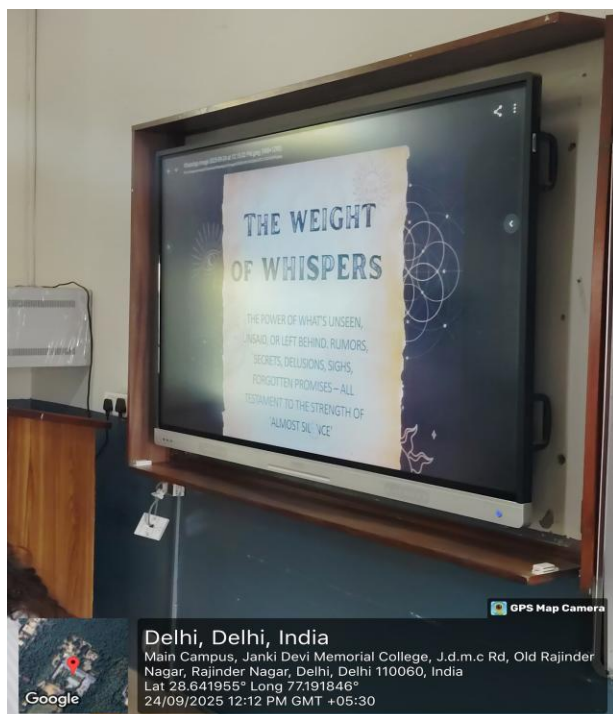
Brief Report:

Iridescent, The Creative Writing Society of Janki Devi Memorial College, in collaboration with Rendezvous, IIT Delhi, organized an inter college on the spot Poetry Writing Competition on September 24th, 2025, from 12 pm-1 pm. The event welcomed students from all departments and universities, providing a platform to showcase their skills and creativity. The programme aimed to encourage creativity and self-expression through poetry while bringing together students from diverse backgrounds. The competition commenced with the student coordinators briefing the participants on the rules and regulations. The on-the-spot theme was revealed, and students enthusiastically began writing. Participants from Delhi University, IIT Delhi, and other institutions poured their hearts onto the page, showcasing their talent and passion for poetry. The event concluded with a free-flowing session where participants shared their experiences, a closing note by Iridescent student coordinators and a quick brief of the upcoming literary events hosted by Rendezvous, IIT Delhi. The atmosphere remained charged with inspiration, leaving everyone excited for future opportunities to write, collaborate, and create. The Poetry Writing Competition was a resounding success, fostering a sense of community among aspiring writers and poets.

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Feedback and Attendance Form:

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ORIENTATION

Event name: Iridescent Orientation Programme

Type of event: Orientation

Event date and time: 2nd September, 2025 at 12 pm

Venue: Online mode (Google Meet)

Hour: 1 hour

Coordinator: Prof. Indu Jain, Dr. Antara Datta & Mr. Samiran Ghissing

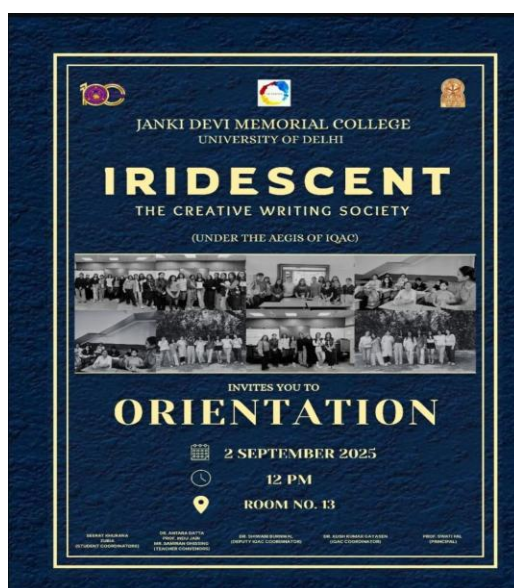
Brief Report:

Iridescent- The Creative Writing Society of Janki Devi Memorial College organized its Orientation Programme on September 2, 2025 at 12 pm for the students across departments on Google Meet. The programme aimed at introducing the society to the incoming first-year students and from various departments. The main goal of the event was to describe the society's aim, which is to give students a platform and the chance to shine and opportunities for writers to explore their passion. The event began with a PowerPoint presentation that provided a well-organised summary of society and how it operates. Further, we discussed the various events that society organizes like, workshops, bonding sessions, writing and slam competitions.

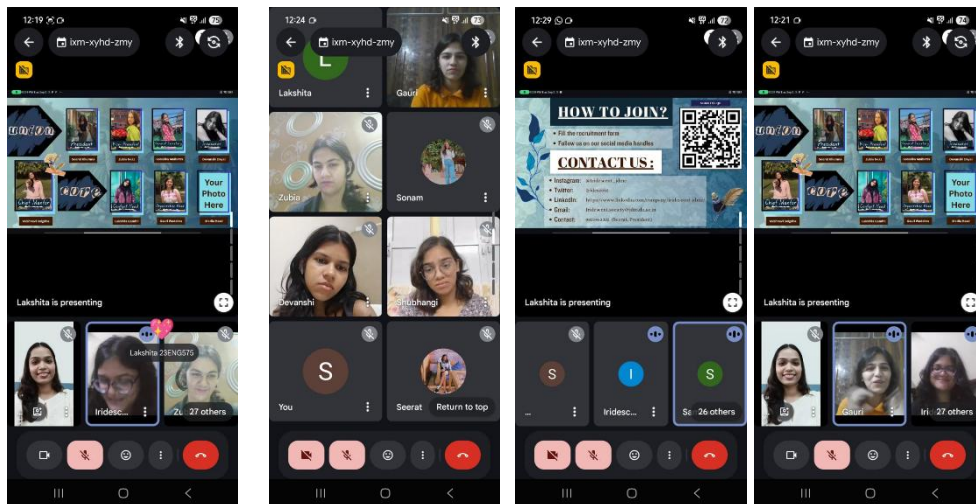
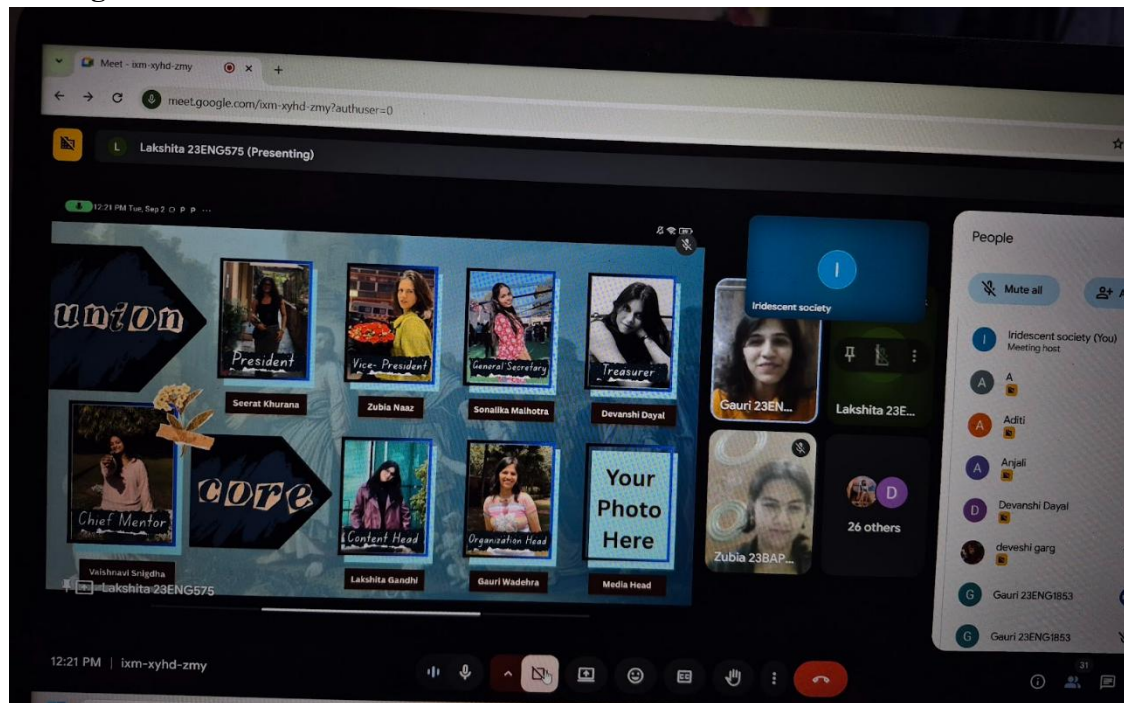
We also introduced our annual event, CATHARSIS and encouraged the art of creative writing amongst the students. The meeting was predominantly attended by first-year students, with representation from second and third-year students, all interested in learning about Iridescent.

Iridescent, The Creative Writing Society successfully concluded its orientation programme, thanks to the encouragement from our esteemed teacher convenors. We're excited for the future, to have new talent on board and a renewed passion for creative writing and literary excellence.

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