

## Loreto College, Kolkata Report 2023 – 2024

Loreto College has had a successful year with seminars, workshops, talks & programmes contributing to the growth and development of the college.

### NSS & Social Service Activities

Our students have taken part in many outreach activities, which are an integral part of college life. The Social Service Society of Loreto College, Kolkata organizes a **Blood Donation Campaign** in collaboration with the Association of Voluntary Blood Donors, West Bengal twice a year.

The NSS Society of the College held and conducted many programmes – it organised a series of programmes under the Meri Maati Mera Desh initiative to celebrate **Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**. It observed **NSS Day** by arranging for a Shramdaan Activity (physical efforts towards community welfare). A group of 10 volunteers visited St. Joseph's Old Age Home located at AJC Bose Road, Kolkata to offer their services to the elderly. The society organized a series of clean-up drives in collaboration with Bhoomi Foundation to celebrate **World Cleanup Day**. It took the initiative of spreading awareness and joy during the festive season. A group of 11 NSS volunteers **visited Bal Shiksha Sadan**, a Government Primary School to spread awareness regarding the significance of Yoga in our daily lives. The students participated in the **Khadi Mahotsav Rally** organized by the National Service Scheme Unit of Calcutta University. A **Special Camp** was held in Ladies Park on Ramesh Mitra Road at Bhawanipore. The students visited **Jwalaberi Adibasi F. P. School** located in South 24 Parganas. This outreach programme was conducted in collaboration with Samobeto, a non-profit organisation working for marginalised groups in the education and health sectors. The students also visited **Bal Shiksha Sadan School** on the occasion of **World Happiness Day**.

### Talks/Workshops related to Environment, Commemorative Days, Events and Festivals

A talk was organized on **World AIDS Day** to spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and dispel common myths associated with the disease. **International Human Rights Day** was celebrated with a Special Lecture on Child Rights and the Gaza War. **Earth Day Week Celebration** was organized by the W.E Nature Society. The West Bengal Pollution Control Board (WBPCB) organized a Quiz programme for the **Celebration of World Environment Day and WBPCB's Golden Jubilee Celebration** at Biswa Bangla Convention Centre. This was attended by 13 UG students and a faculty member. **International Women's Day** was celebrated in the college through a programme organized by the Women's Study Society and Eastern Cultural Society. **International Yoga Day** was celebrated by the B.Ed. Department in association with IQAC.

### Students' Meet

**Kalakriti**, an annual event was organised by the Department of Psychology and the Psychology Society of Loreto College, Kolkata. This year marked the 13th successful celebration of Kalakriti, bringing together individuals from six participating schools to showcase their diverse abilities. The Department of History, in collaboration with the History Society of Loreto College, Kolkata, organised its annual inter-college students' meet **Historia** on May 16, 2024. The theme for this year's Historia was **Popular Rebellions**. The 10th edition of the annual academic fest of the Department of Economics, Loreto College, Kolkata, **Ecolore 2024**, was organized, where young minds from various esteemed colleges of Kolkata showcased their reflections on the theme **Economic Growth and Distributive Justice: Perspectives for a Changing World**. The Department of Political Science, Loreto College, Kolkata convened the annual students', known as '**Dialego**'. This year's theme was **Emerging India in a Multipolar World Order**.

### **Field trips**

The students of the Department of Political Science organized a study tour to the **Alipore Jail Museum**. The Department of Psychology, Loreto College, Kolkata embarked on a field visit to **People Power India**, a prominent human resources and management consultancy firm situated in Park Circus. A visit to **Kolkata Police Limelight Library and Museum** was organized by the Library Society. A Study Trip to **Natya Shodh Sansthan** for the Third Years was organized by the Department of English. The Department of Economics of Loreto College, Kolkata organised an **industrial visit to the Keventer Agro Limited**, located in Barasat, North 24 Parganas, on April 6, 2024.

### **Other Activities**

The Department of Human Rights organized a special lecture on **Gender and Health**. A Talk titled **Rudimentary Financial Management for Women** was organised by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell. It provided attendees with valuable insights into personal finance, investment strategies, and prudent financial management. A workshop on **First-Aid and Basic Life Support** was organized by the Institute of Preventive Awareness, Kolkata for the B.Ed. students. The Career Counselling Cell organized **Autism Awareness and Career Opportunities**, which included a Lecture and a Quiz for the students.

### **Student's week & Annual Fest**

Student's week was organized in January 2024 with many activities each day for a period of 7 days. The College also organized **Samagam 2023**, a festival immersed in the captivating theme of **Aurora**. The fest promised a dynamic and vibrant experience, mirroring the diverse skills and talents that were on display over three days.

### **Student Exchange Programme**

6 B.Ed. trainees of Shri Shikshayatan College successfully completed the **Student Exchange Programme** in Loreto College and 6 B.Ed. trainees of Loreto College completed the Student Exchange Programme at Shri Shikshayatan College.

### **Extra/Co-Curricular Activities**

The students participated in many Extra/Co-Curricular Activities - **Xenith'24 - A Symphony of Frames** was organized by St. Xavier's University. Our students not only expanded their horizons but also emerged triumphant as the all-round champions, securing the coveted trophy. They participated in the **Inter College State Sports Championship** organized by New Alipore College (Events – Athletics and Kho-Kho.) Students participated in the **Inter-College Badminton Singles Tournament & Inter-College Table-Tennis Singles Tournament** organized by National Institute of Fashion Technology. A student participated in the **Inter-College Dart Tournament** at St. Xavier's College Kolkata. The students also participated in **BONFIRE '24** a Fest organised by Bhawanipur Education Society College.

### **Student Participation in Workshops/Seminars**

Eight students of Sem 6 attended a workshop titled **Let's SWAG: Salute Women Across Generations**, organized by Observers Research Foundation at Fairfileld Marriott, Rajarhat. They also participated in the event: **Move for Earth Symposium** (Science City), organized by Switch-ON. Students participated in **Green Architect – Hulladek Honours** (Dhono Dhanyo Auditorium), organized by Hulladek.

**Concession/Scholarships**

Students are encouraged to apply for scholarships provided by the Government such as Post-Metric Scholarship, Kanyashree, Swami Vikekananda Merit-cum Means Scholarship and Talent Support Programme. The College also provides needy students with concession. 12 students received concession from the college in this academic year

**Student Council**

A Handing over ceremony was organized by the college and the students of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year organized a farewell programme for the 3<sup>rd</sup> years. An investiture Ceremony was organized for the newly elected Student Council for the academic year 2024-2025. The Election of the Student President and Student Vice President took place peacefully in the College, the election of the Society President and Society Vice President took place online, and a new post of Treasurer of the College was created

**University Results**

B.Ed. - Semester III results were declared by the University. 42 students passed with 1<sup>st</sup> class  
PG – Semester I results were declared by the University. Out of 24 students 9 obtained 1st class

**Community Service**

It is compulsory for all students to complete 30 hours of compulsory community service in any NGO of their choice. They obtain a certificate at the end of their service

**Remedial/Mentorship**

Advanced learners are encouraged to present papers in Research Cell presentations. Remedial classes are offered to slow learners to narrow down the learning gaps. Mentoring sessions are regularly held.

**Add on Courses**

30 hrs Life Skills Training for the B.Ed. students, 30 hrs Basic Mathematics Course and 30 hrs Python Course for the UG students were successfully conducted

**Journals Activated**

3 Journals have been activated through JMS (Journal Management System) – Critical Imprints, B.Ed. Journal and Research Cell Journal. These will be managed by Supriyo Chakravarty

**Staff Development Workshops**

The teaching staff attended many Staff Development programmes and Workshops to enhance their knowledge on various subjects

**MOU signed**

The college signed 3 MOU's with Global Reach, Scottish Church College and Vital Waste Management