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### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Annual Report of Rani Birla Girls' College, for the academic year 2023-24. This report serves as a comprehensive overview of the significant milestones, achievements, and developments that have transpired over the past year. It encapsulates the dynamic and vibrant spirit of our college, highlighting the dedication and hard work of our students, faculty, and staff.

At Rani Birla Girls' College, we are committed to fostering an environment that promotes academic excellence, personal growth, and community engagement. This year has been marked by numerous accomplishments in various domains, including academics, research, extracurricular activities, and community service. Our students have excelled not only in the classroom but also in various national and international arenas, bringing accolades to the institution.

The Annual Report is structured to provide insights into the various facets of our college's functioning and progress. It includes detailed sections on:

- 1. Academic Achievements:** An overview of our academic programs, faculty achievements, student performance, and curriculum innovations.
- 2. Co-curricular Activities:** A glimpse into the vibrant student life, including cultural events, sports achievements, clubs, and societies
- 3. Capacity Building:** Highlights the capacity building programmes undertaken by the college
- 4. Seminars and Workshops:** Comprehensive report of all seminars and workshops conducted by different departments, committees, and clubs of the college.
- 5. Academic Linkage and Institutional MOU/Collaboration:** Details of all academic linkage, collaborations signed in the year 2023-24 with different institutions and organizations.
- 6. Faculty and Staff Empowerment and Enrichment:** Highlights of research and publications, of our faculty along with enrichment/training initiatives taken up by the institution.
- 7. Publications:** List of college publications of the year 2023-24
- 8. Study Tours, Field Visits and Picnics:** Highlights the several tours, field visits and picnics conducted by the college, departments, and committees.

9. **Staff and Students Benefit:** Reports the various staff and students benefit initiatives undertaken by the college in this academic year.
10. **Career Counselling and Placement:** To highlight the several programmes undertaken by our CCPCell, in this academic year.
11. **Community Engagement:** Reports on our community outreach programs, social initiatives, and the impact of our efforts on society.
12. **Infrastructure and Facilities:** Updates on the development and enhancement of our campus facilities and resources.
13. **Alumni Relations:** Stories of our distinguished alumni and their contributions to their respective fields and society.

### **1. ACADEMICS ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- All scheduled examinations of the University of Calcutta were successfully conducted. The results of B.A./B.SC./BFAD (Hons/Gen./Major) Semester 6, Examination 2023 was declared in this academic session and I take pride in announcing the Sem 6 results.

<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>APPEARED</b>	<b>PASSED</b>	<b>PASS PERCENTAGE</b>
B.A. (HONS.)	126	92	73%
B.Sc. (HONS.)	18	18	100%
BFAD (HONS.)	19	10	53%
B.A. (MAJOR)	07	07	100%
B.A. (GEN)	12	06	50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>73%</b>

The College also served as the external examination centre for theoretical and practical University Examination.

- Admission for the session 2023-24 took place through on-line mode as per State government and Calcutta University directives, and a total of **153** students were admitted and registered under the University of Calcutta.
- The College facilitated and forwarded a total of **196** applications of students for various state government sponsored scholarships and financial assistance schemes like Kanyashree, OASIS, SVMCM, Aikyashree and Student Credit Card.

<b>Scheme</b>	<b>Kanyashree</b>	<b>OASIS</b>	<b>SVMCM</b>	<b>Aikyashree</b>	<b>Student Credit Card</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Applicant</b>	15	02	59 + 24	94	02	<b>196</b>

- A Parent-Teacher Meeting was held on 19/3/2024 to maintain transparency and institutional accountability in academic transactions to our stakeholders

## 2. CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

The college students and staff were engaged in several co-curricular activities in the session 2023-24. The Teachers' Council Sub-committees and clubs has organised a number of co-curricular activities:

- On 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023, **Department of Political Science** celebrated the Constitution Day.
- On 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024, **Department of Education** celebrated the International Day of Education through Poster Making and Creative Writing, Theme: "Learning for lasting Peace"
- The **Department of Journalism** coordinated with the **Cine Club** to organize a short film festival "Montage" on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024.
- The Department of Journalism in association with the **Photography Club** organized a students' documentary "Film Festival and Competition" titled "DOCU-FEST "on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023.
- The **Department of Sociology** in collaboration with **IQAC** and in association with **Literary Club** organised a Recitation Competition to celebrate National Girl Child Day on 22/01/24.
- The **Literary Club** student members participated in the Annual All India Elocution Competition organized by Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Gol Park on 05/09/23. The **Literary Club** in collaboration with the **Cultural Sub-Committee**, organised 'Ecologique' an Essay Writing and Elocution Competition on 11/10/23. They also staged a multi-lingual audio drama from the William Shakespeare's popular play Merchant Of Venice, Act 4 Scene 1, on 16/12/23 in the College Auditorium.
- The **Quiz & Debate Club** organised National Handloom Day Debate and Quiz on 20/09/2023 in collaboration with the **Dept. of Fashion and Apparel Designing**. It also organized an Inter College Quiz Competition at KNOWLEDGE 2024 on 10/01/2024 in collaboration with **Cine Club**, and Women's Week Debate Competition on 13/03/2024.
- The **College Library** organised "Knowledge'24", College Book Fair in collaboration with seven other colleges of the city on 09/01/24 to 10/01/24.
- The **Cine Club** organised a Film Screening on 21/02/24 on International Mother Language Day, a Short Film Festival on 17/01/24, National Cinema Day: Trivia Quiz on 13/10/23, and an Online Film Festival between 04/08/23 to 07/08/24.
- The **Rhythmscape Club** conducted an **Art Appreciation Tour** where student members were taken to an ongoing group exhibition at the **International Centre for Cultural Relations - ICCR** on 16/08/23. **Another** Art Appreciation Tour was organised to visit an Exhibition of Tribal Paintings from the collection of Tribes India (Aadi Chitra) on the occasion of Janjatiya Gaurav Divas at Indian Museum, Kolkata.
- The **Rhythmscape Club**, arranged a recording session of **CAMPUS - E - ADDA** – a light-hearted Air Programme of **Akashbani – All India Radio** on **16/09/23**, which was aired on 20/09/23

- The **Rhythmscape Club** also organised an Inter-College Elocution & Painting Competition on 17/01/24 to celebrate National Youth Day on Vivekananda Jayanti. Around 50 students participated from various 15 colleges.
- **The Rhythmscape club** celebrated 'International Dance Day 2024' on 29/04/24 in collaboration with Alliance Française du Bengale. Student members of Rhythmscape club - Swarnali Dey from Dept. of Geography and Sreemanti Samaddar from Dept. of English participated in the Programme performing Bharatnatyam and Odissi dance form fusion with French songs and music.
- The club also organised an “Intra-College Painting & Poster Competition” to celebrate ‘International Vesak Day’ on the occasion of Buddha Purnima with collaboration with IQAC Cell on 30/05/24
- **The Students Advisory Sub-Committee** organized a One-day workshop on ‘Career Awareness for Government Sector Jobs.’ On 11/04/23 in collaboration with AVISION Institute. They also celebrated ‘World Human Rights Day’ on 10/12/23 was in collaboration with Know Your Neighbor as ‘Diversity Utsav’ at Kala Kunj. A One-day workshop on ‘Beauty and wellness’ in collaboration with Orane International, Kolkata was organized by the sub-committee on 15/12/2023.
- The **Nature Club** on 14/08/23 organized a programme on Planting of Tree Saplings collaboration with ‘Each One Plant One’ organization and on 06/01/24 organized Labelling of Common Names and Scientific Names of College-Campus Trees in collaboration with Vivekananda College for Women.
- The **Cultural Sub-Committee** with IQAC organised ‘**Spectrum**’ an Intra-College Annual Talent Hunt Competition between 09/10/23 to 12/10/23

DATE	EVENT	ORGANIZED BY	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
09/10/2023	SABUJ	Nature Club	12
09/10/2023	BEAT THE MOVE	Rhythmscape Club	10
09/10/2023	Verses In Harmony	Cultural Sub-committee	06
10/10/2023	Quizzical	Quiz and Debate Club	10
10/10/2023	Style The Tote	Cultural Sub-committee	10
10/10/2023	Portrait of The Other	Cine Club	04
10/10/2023	Make your Meme	Cine Club	05
10/10/2023	Scribble Dribble	Cine Club	04
10/10/2023	Sound of Music	Cultural Sub-committee	12
11/10/2023	Ecologique	Lit-Arc Club	09
11/10/2023	Glass Art Challenge	Cultural Sub-Committee	06
12/10/2023	Life in A Metro	Photography Club	20
12/10/2023	Threads of Time	Cultural Sub-committee	04
12/10/2023	Mehendi Art	Cultural Sub-Comm.	26
12/10/2023	Culinarian (Non-Fire cooking/baking)	Cultural Sub-committee	20

- On 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023 our college organised Freshers' Welcome Programme. A cultural programme on the occasion witnessed vibrant performances by our students to welcome and integrate the new entrants into the folds of the institution.
- On 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 college organized the Annual Sports 2023 for students and staff. Prizes and accolades for some of the brilliant performances made the day worthwhile.
- Inter-Semester Badminton Tournament 2023-24 was held on 4/01/24 and 5/01/24 in which 32 students participated.
- From 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024 to 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Students' Week was celebrated in the college campus. The Student's Week programme was observed under State Directives with enthusiastic participation of all students.

02/01/2024	Department of English	Poetry Writing Competition on Childhood Memories with Lit-Arc Club
03/01/2023	Department of Communicative English	Student's Presentation & Recitation of Self composed poems
	Department of Hindi	Essay writing competition on "Rajneeti aur Chatro"
	Department of Education	Special Lecture " I Know My Body!"
04/01/2023	Department of Sociology	Conducted extempore speech on On-Spot Topic/s.
05/01/2023	Department of Geography	Poster Competition on "Colours of Students' Life"
	Departments of Economics & Philosophy	Student seminar on self-chosen topics
06/01/2023	Department of Political Science	Programme on 'Journey of a Woman' – Speech/Dance/Drama/Narration
	Department of Fashion and Apparel Designing	Poster presentation on Sustainable Fashion and Fashion show on Hippie and Bohemian Fashion
07/01/2023	Department of History	Students' Seminar

- 12 students accompanied with teachers participated in the Inter College Sports & Games Kabaddi (Women) Championship, organized by the Department of Sports, University of Calcutta, on 23/09/23 at the Calcutta University ground.
- On 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024 the college celebrated International Mother Language Day, organised by the **Cultural Sub-committee**. The programme saw active participation of both teachers and students celebrating linguistic diversity in different languages, through songs, dances, elocution, and a skit.
- The college celebrated '*Basanto Utsab*' with a vibrant cultural programme on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024. The programme organised by the **Cultural Sub-committee** in collaboration with **IQAC** recreated the spirit of Tagore's tradition at Shantiniketan in ushering the newness of a blossoming spring.
- On 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024 Rabindra Jayanti was observed by the **Cultural Sub-Committee** wherein a cultural programme was organised by the teachers of the institution (as college was closed for heat wave) to pay homage to the great bard on Rabindra Jayanti.

- The students also participated in several Inter-College Fests and won several accolades for the college. The **Tug of War** team of the College participated in several fests of Heritage College, THK Jain College, The Bhawanipur Education Society College), RCCIT, JISM Hospital, Amity University. NSHM and Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan. It won the completions at JISM and Amity University and came second in the rest of the events.

**Rhythmscape Club** member Zainab Khatoon - Sem 1 –Dept. of Education participated in Literaria 2023 - the Inter-College Competition organised by the English Academy of St. Xaviers College (Autonomous), Kolkata and bagged the 2nd position in the event – DOODLING. **Saniya Ghosh** and **Nabanita Sen** of Dept. of Fashion & Apparel Design, has secured the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> position respectively at the Inter College Poster Presentation Competition organised by East Calcutta Girls College, on the occasion of Parakram Diwas – the Birth Anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. **Saniya Ghosh** of Dept. of Fashion & Apparel Design also bagged the 1<sup>st</sup> position at Painting Competition organized by the Narendrapur Ramkrishna Mission Mahavidyalaya Praktani in collaboration with Ramkrishna Mission Residential College (Autonomous), Narendrapur. **Swarnali Dey**, Sem 4 – Dept. of Geography received the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize at Utkarsha – an Inter-College Cultural Competition organised by Netaji Nagar Day College.

Members of **Literary Club** participated in the Annual All India Elocution Competition on Swami Vivekananda en- Titled "Swami Vivekananda Centenary Endowment" was organised by The Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Gol Park.

### **3. CAPACITY BUILDING**

Our college as a capacity building quality initiative has introduced **nine** Add-On and Skill Enhancement Courses which is an attempt to enhance employable skills of students. Departments hosting these enrichment courses are Bachelor of Fashion and Apparel Designing, Geography, History, English, Political Science, Sociology, Education, Hindi and the Rhythmscape club.

Sl. No	Name of Course	Type of Course	Course Duration	Organized by	Collaboration	Mode of Delivery
1.	Communicative and Spoken English	Skill Enhancement	30 hours	Department of Communicative English	N.A.	On-line
2.	Certificate Course on Painting and Drawing	Skill Enhancement	30 hrs.	Department of Fashion and Apparel Designing	N.A.	Off-Line
3.	Indian Constitution and Politics	Add-On	30 hrs.	Department of Political Sc.	N.A.	On-line

4.	Unlock Your Potential: Positive Psychology Course for College Students	Add-on	30 hrs.	Department of Education	Kornash: The Lifestyle Management School	Online
5.	Certificate Course on Anuvad Paridhi	Skill-Enhancement	30 hours	Department of Hindi	N.A.	Blended
6.	Certificate Course on Development Studies	Add-On	30 hours	Department of Sociology	N.A.	Online
7.	Digital Skills for the Modern Humanities Student	Add-On	30 hours	Department of English	Intertext	Online
8.	Immerging Trends of Tourism	Add-On	30 hours	Department of History and Geography	N.A.	Blended
9.	Classical, Creative and Contemporary Dance	Skill-Enhancement	30 hours	Rhythmscape Club	N.A.	Offline

#### **4. SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, SPECIAL LECTURES AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES:**

A. Different departments organized seminars and workshops for productive academic deliberations by eminent academicians as guest speakers.

SL. NO	TITLE	ORGANIZED BY	RESOURCE PERSONS	DATE	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
1.	<b>Seminar on Understanding Heritage</b>	Department of History	Dr. Keka Dutta Adhikari, the Curator, the Asiatic Society, Kolkata	07/12/2023	34
2.	<b>Seminar on Ecological Heritage of India</b>	Department of Geography in collaboration with IQAC	Dr. Lakshminarayan Satpati, Professor and Director, UGC-HRDC University of Calcutta	19/12/2023	52
3.	<b>Seminar on Understanding Religion in Everyday Life</b>	Departments of Sociology in collaboration with IQAC	Dr. Debaprasad Chatterjee, Associate Professor in Sociology, Maulana Azad College	21/12/2023	55
4.	<b>Seminar on Objectivity and Reflexivity in Sociological Research</b>	Department of Sociology in collaboration with IQAC	Dr. Jyoti Prasad Chatterjee, Associate Professor in Sociology, Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College	05/01/2024	42



5.	<b>Seminar on English Media: A Modern Perspective</b>	Department of Communicative English & IQAC	Ms. Srimoyee Bagchi, Deputy Chief Sub-Editor, the Telegraph	19/01/2024	39
6.	<b>Seminar on Significance of Indian Constitution</b>	Department of Political Science	Dr. Peu Ghosh, Associate Professor in Pol. Sc, Hoogly Mohsin College	25/11/23	45
7.	<b>Special Lecture on Statistics In Education</b>	Department of Education	Dr. Sunrita Mitra Associate Prof in Education, Shri Shikshayatan College	15/01/24	26
8.	<b>Special lecture on 'Legal Awareness for Women'</b>	Women's Development Cell	Dr. Debdatta Das, Teacher-in-charge and Assistant Professor, Dept. of Law, University of Burdwan.	27/04/24	
9.	<b>Special Lecture on Kubla Khan</b>	Department of English	Rajarshee Gupta, Assistant Prof in English, Gurudas College	27/04/24	30
10	<b>Special Lecture on Chronicles of a Death Foretold</b>	Department of English	Nima Doma Lama Assistant Prof in English, Ashutosh College	14/05/24	28
11	<b>Special Lecture on Pride and Prejudice</b>	Department of English	Dr. Anamika Chakraborty Assistant Prof in English, Srikrishna College, Bagula	15/05/24	35
12	<b>Special Lecture on Romantic Poetry</b>	Department of English	Dr. Rumpa Das Principal, Maheshtala College	14/10/23	28
13	<b>Workshop on Academic Writing</b>	Department of English	Ritwik Balo, Assistant Prof in English, Rani Birla Girls' College	20/01/24	32
14	<b>Seminar On Prevention Of Some Common Women's Cancers.</b>	Department of History	Dr. Shankar Nath Eminent Oncologist and Retired Prof. R.G. Kar Medical College and Hospital	11/03/24	80
15	<b>Special Lecture on Understanding Women's Day</b>	Department of History	Dr. Mimi Bhattacharya, Associate Prof. in History Dum Dum Motijheel College	12/03/24	83
16	<b>Special Lecture On Why 8<sup>th</sup> March Is Relevant Today?</b>	Department of History	Dr. Saswati Ghosh Women's Rights Activist And Associate Prof. in Economics, City College.	12/03/24	83

B. The IQAC of the college also conducted several Administrative Trainings, Workshops, and Orientation programmes:

SL.NO.	TOPIC	RESOURCE PERSON	DATE	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
1.	Internal Workshop on NAAC Accreditation	Dr. Tilak Chatterjee, Principal, Bankim Sardar College and Dr. Suchandra Biswas, Associate professor, Bankim Sardar College	12/07/23	22
2.	Administrative Training on "E-Tender Submission"	Mr. Biswajit Debnath	14/07/23	18
3.	Internal workshop on CCF Curriculum 2022	IQAC and NAAC Coordinators	28/07/23	33
4.	Orientation Programme for B.A/S.Sc.Sem 1 Students (23-4)	IQAC members and HODs	01/08/24	82
5.	Orientation Programme for BFAD Sem 1 Students (23-24)	IQAC members and HOD	03/08/24	9
6.	Internal Workshop cum Training on CAS	Dr. Srabanti Bhattacharya, Principal, Rani Birla Girls' College	26/08/24	18
7.	State level Seminar on "Quest for Knowledge and IPR: National and Global Perspectives, jointly with Netaji Nagar Day College	Prof. Samir Kr. Saha, Former Prof., Dept of Mechanical Engineer, JU Dr. Sushil Kr. Mitra Director, Adamas University and Ex-Controller of Patents and Designs	07/10/23	81
8.	Orientation and Training Workshop on NAAC Accreditation and SSR Preparation	IQAC and NAAC Coordinators	16/01/24	47
9.	Administrative Training on Student management Software and Accounts Management Software	Srikanta Basak Software Developer Creative Mart Technology	18/01/24	17
10.	Administrative Training Programme on Rules, Regulation and Benefits of GPF	Debnath Bose Accounts Department Goenka College of Commerce	17/02/24	27
11.	Micro Training Session on P.O./ C.O Analysis	Dr. Suvankar Chakraborty Principal, Sundarban Mahavidyalaya	13/03/24	26

#### **5. ACADEMIC LINKAGE AND INSTITUTIONAL COLLABORATION:**

Our college has established collaborative relation with a host of higher educational institution and other organisations in the session 2023-24. The details are as follows:

SI No.	Collaborating Organisation	Date of Signing	List of Actual Activities under MoU/ Collaborations/ Linkages
1.	Dumdum Motijheel College	20.07.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Seminar on Some Common Women's Cancer in India on 11.03.2024.</li> <li>2. Seminar on 'Why 8th March is Relevant Today?' on 12.03.2024.</li> <li>3. Dumdum Motijheel College Women's Cell in collaboration with IQAC and Rani Birla Girls' College organised a special session on Commemorating International Women's Day on 21.03.2024 from 11:30 AM onwards.</li> </ol>

2.	Sammilani Mahavidyalaya	05.08.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Joint Organizer of a two-day Book Fair, titled, KNOWLEDGE' 24, themed Books in Hand: A Digital Detox on 09.01.2024 and 10.01.2024.</li> <li>2. Joint organizer of one day Career Fair, UDAAN' 24 on 11.01.2024.</li> </ol>
3.	Women's Christian College	19.08.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recruitment drive of Cabin Crew for Indigo organised Emporium on 23.09.2023.</li> <li>2. Joint Organizer of a two-day Book Fair, titled, KNOWLEDGE' 24, themed Books in Hand: A Digital Detox on 09.01.2024 and 10.01.2024.</li> <li>3. Joint organizer of one day Career Fair, UDAAN' 24 on 11.01.2024.</li> </ol>
4.	Maheshtala College	04.10.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invited Lecture on Keats' Swansong to Autumn: Some Observations on 04.10.2023.</li> </ol>
5.	Dum Dum Motijheel Rabindra Mahavidyalaya	24.11.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Joint Organizer of a two-day Book Fair, titled, KNOWLEDGE' 24, themed Books in Hand: A Digital Detox on 09.01.2024 and 10.01.2024.</li> <li>2. Joint organizer of one day Career Fair, UDAAN' 24 on 11.01.2024.</li> <li>3. A one day online seminar on 'Soft Skills Development' jointly organised by the Career Counselling and Placement Cell &amp; NAAC Steering Committee (Criteria 5) in collaboration with the IQAC of Rani Birla Girls' College and IQAC of Dumdum Motijheel Rabindra Mahavidyalaya, conducted by Anudip Foundation for Social Welfare on 28.03.2024 from 3PM- 4PM.</li> </ol>
6.	Anudip Foundation for Social Welfare	07.12.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Online Career Counselling Session on Marketing, IT Skills, Job Profiles, English Communication and various.</li> <li>2. Participation in one day Career Fair, UDAAN' 24 to motivate and enlighten students for pursuing career development training programmes so that they become market ready after completion of graduation on 11.01.2024.</li> </ol>
7.	Vivekananda College for Women	22.12.2023	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Celebration of Students' Week by identifying the scientific name of the trees and plants in College campus and identifying its medicinal values on 06.01.2024.</li> <li>2. Joint Organizer of a two-day Book Fair, titled, KNOWLEDGE' 24, themed Books in Hand: A Digital Detox on 09.01.2024 and 10.01.2024.</li> <li>3. Joint organizer of one day Career Fair, UDAAN' 24 on 11.01.2024.</li> </ol>
8.	Magic Bus Foundation	11.01.2024	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Training students for life skills, employability skills, financial literacy, and interview orientation on 11.01.2024.</li> </ol>
9.	Iswar Sankalpa	02.02.2024	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Participation in a two-day Book Fair, titled, KNOWLEDGE' 24, themed Books in Hand: A Digital Detox on 09.01.2024 and 10.01.2024.</li> <li>2. Participation in College Fete, 'Agomoni' on 11.10.2023.</li> <li>3. Workshop on Community Mobilization and Community Outreach Programmes held on 20.03.2024.</li> </ol>
10.	Ankur Kala	02.02.2024	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Participation in a two-day Book Fair, titled, KNOWLEDGE' 24, themed Books in Hand: A Digital Detox on 09.01.2024 and 10.01.2024.</li> </ol>
11.	Maharani Kaiswari College	24.02.2024	No programmes yet

## **6. FACULTY AND STAFF EMPOWERMENT AND ENRICHMENT:**

**Dr. Apala Dasgupta Barat**, Associate Professor, Department of English

1. Published "*Negotiating Contexts of Modernism in Eliot's Early Poetry: A Strategic Introduction for Undergraduate Learners in India*" in Fortell, July 2023, Issue No. 47, ISSN: 2229-6557
2. Presented paper titled "*Resisting the Stereotypes of Colonial Ethnicity: Proto-postcolonialism*" at 'Journey to Lhasa and Central Tibet'/Continuing Postcolonialisms: 9th Sri Lanka Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies Conference/21-22 July 2023

**Priti Ghatani** Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

1. Published paper titled "*Language As Form Of Protest In Suffrage Movement*" in International Journal of Research Analytical Reviews, July 2023, Vol 10, Issue 3, (E-ISSN 2348-1269, P-ISSN2349-5138)
2. Published paper titled "*Swami Vivekananda's Idea on Internationalism*", June 2023, Volume 10, Issue 2, (E-ISSN 2348-1269, P-ISSN2349-5138)
3. Published paper titled "*Women and Environment Movement.*" August 2023, Volume 10, Issue 3, ISSN:2349-6002)

**Dr. Sarmila Paul** Assistant Professor, Department of English

1. Participated in a Short-Term Course on "*Film Studies: Pedagogy and Research Methods*" organised by the Department of Human Studies, IIT (BHU) Varanasi from 6th to 11th November, 2023.
2. Participated in a Three-Day online Capacity Building Programme on "*Empowering Editorial Excellence*" organised by the English Language Teachers' Association of India (ELTAI) from 29th to 31st January, 2024.
3. Participated in a One Week Online National Level Faculty Development Programme on "*Cultural Studies: Indian Perspective in Literary and Social Contexts*" organised by Career Development Cell, Gokul Global University, Siddhpur, Gujarat from 19th to 25th February, 2024."
4. Developed Self-Learning Material on "Nehru's Tryst with Destiny" and Meenakshi Mukherjee's "The Anxiety of Influence published by the Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, University of Kalyani.
5. Developed Self-Learning Material on Amitav Ghosh's "Dancing in Cambodia" published by the Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, University of Kalyani.
6. Presented paper titled "*Envisaging the Depiction of Australia through its Literature: A Study of the Interconnectedness of Memory, History and Imagination*" at 11th International Conference on "History, Culture and Democracy: Changing Voices in Australia and India" on 1st and 2nd February, 2024 organised by IASA (ER) in collaboration with Australian Consulate, Kolkata, Swami Vivekananda University, Routledge and Bloomsbury.

**Vijaya Singh**, State Aided College Teacher, Hindi

1. Ikkishween Sadi ke Natakon mein Yugeen Chetana (Sandarbh-Meera Kant krit Natak "Kandhe par Baitha tha Shap"), Kala Vashudha, January- March 2024, ISSN 2348-3660
2. Presented paper titled "Ikkishween Sadi ke Natakon mein Yugeen Chetana", at Little Thespians 13th National Theatre Festival, Jashn-e-Azahar (Rang Smwad), 19th- 24th Jan, Gyan Manch, Kolkata.

**Namrata Subba**, Assistant Professor, Department of Education

1. Attended Refresher Course titled History and Culture of India organized by UGC HRDC Mizoram University between 12<sup>th</sup> Sept to 25<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2023.

**Swati Bhattacharya**, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

1. Completed her Ph.D. and was awarded the Doctoral Degree from the University of Calcutta on 30/11/2023, from the Department of Political Science, under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Sonali Chakravarti Banerjee.

**Abhijit Saha**, State Aided College Teacher, Department of History

1. Presented paper titled "*Electricity, Changing Pattern of Consumption: Reflection on Post Colonial Calcutta*", at one day National seminar on ' Society and Culture in 19th and 20th c Bengal' on 20.03.2024 at Kazi Nazrul University, Asansol, West Bengal.

**Sayan Dutta**, State Aided College Teacher, Geography

1. Presented paper titled "*The Vaishnavite Culture and Heritage of Auniati Satra, Majuli*", at seminar titled 'Cultural-Heritage Landscape Tourism in India: Implications for Local Livelihood and National Pride', on Date: 22.09.2023, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh.
2. Online Presentation of paper titled '*The Vaishavite Satriya Culture and Heritage of Kamalabari Satra, Majuli*' at Athena 2023 - 3rd Annual International Conference on 03.12.23, Andhra Pradesh
3. Presented paper titled "*Traditional Idol Making, Its Problem and Prospect: A Case Study of Kumartuli, Kolkata*" the 44th IIG Annual Meet and International Conference on Shaping Tomorrow: Society, Culture, and Environment in an Interconnected World. On 22.01.2024, Cotton University, Assam.
4. Presented paper online titled "*Religious Pluralism, Heritage, Pilgrimage Tourism: A Case Study of Hajo, Assam*" at National Seminar on Religion, Culture and Political Economy on 28.05.2024 at Amity University, Noida.

**Maniruzzaha Rahaman**, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

1. Completed M.Phil. on "*Dynamics of Banking Sentiment*" in Economics from the Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, 12/24/2023

2. Participated in Faculty Development Program, HRDC Jadavpur University from 24<sup>th</sup> July to 24<sup>th</sup> August 2023.
3. Presented paper titled “*Dynamics of Banking Sentiment in Solow-type Production Sector*” at One-Day National Seminar on Economy, Society and Sustainability – Roads to Recovery organised by the Department of Economics, Kidderpore College and sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research – ERC on 22/06/2023 at National Library, Kolkata.
4. Presented paper titled “*Dynamics of Banking Sentiment in Capital Formation*” at International Conference on Different Dimensions of Development Economics and Its Shifting Paradigms organised by the Department of Economics, Heritage College in collaboration with the Economics Department of Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belur Math and sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi on 22/02/2024 at Heritage College, Kolkata.

**Siddhartha Sarkar**, Assistant Professor, Department of Education

1. Registered for Ph.D. in the Department of Education University of Calcutta, under Dr. Manidipa Mitra & Prof. Dr. Jayanti Das.
2. Participated in Faculty Induction Programme 11, HRDC University of Calcutta held between 21<sup>st</sup> August to 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

#### **7. PUBLICATIONS:**

- The College through its Publication Sub-Committee published the 2022-23 issue of College Magazine ‘*Ourselves*’ in the month of March 2024.
- The Department of Communicative English published the departmental E-Magazine ‘*Campus Gazette*’ on 19/1/2024.

#### **8. STUDY TOURS, FIELD VISITS AND PICNICS:**

- Department of Geography organized a compulsory excursion to Churida village, Purulia for Semester V (Hons.) students between 9/09/23 to 13/09/23. They were accompanied by Ms. Kalpana Biswas and Ms. Kamalika Paul
- On 23/11/23, Dept. of History, Dept. of Education, the Dept. of Geography and IQAC organized a Heritage Walk at South Park Street Cemetery in celebration of World Heritage Week.
- On 15/12/23 the students of Semester 5 (Hons.) of the Geography Department visited Eco Park, New Town for GPS Survey Field work for part-completion of Semester 5 syllabus. They were accompanied by Ms. Kalpana Biswas and Ms. Kamalika Paul
- Between 06/10/2023 to 08/10/23 the students of Fashion Department visited Murshidabad. The students along with the Faculty members visited the Central Sericulture Research Institute, and the Chandrakanta Lalit Mohan Samity, Islampur
- On 30/09/23 the students of the Department of History (Semester 3) students visited the Indian Museum

- On 01/12/23, all students of the Department of History visited the Alipore Jail Museum as a part of History syllabus to 'Understand Freedom Movement Record Keeping'
- The Excursion Sub-Committee, RBGC organized a One Day College Annual Students Excursion at Ibiza Resort, Amtala, on 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2023. A total of 237 students, including faculties and non-teaching staff participated in the picnic.
- The Excursion Sub-Committee organized a two-day College Annual Excursion at Digha on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2024. 15 faculties and their family members participated in the event.

#### **9. STAFF AND STUDENTS BENEFIT:**

- Regular medical check-up and health counselling sessions has been conducted throughout the year. Eminent medical practitioner Dr. Shabana Roze Chowdhury is visiting our institution once every month providing medical counselling and advise to students and staff members.
- Psychological Counselling of students by trained external counsellor, Ms. Syeda Tania Islam was done at regular interval.
- The college formed a Career Counselling and Placement Cell to provide career assistance to students.
- The Physical and Mental Wellbeing Cell, has worked round the year organising various programmes, visits, coemptions etc. the details are as follows

<b>SL.No.</b>	<b>PROGRAMME</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>RESOURCE</b>
1.	International Yoga Day	21.6.23	Online Quiz competition on Yoga
2.	Awareness Of Menstrual Health and PCOD	22.8.23	Dr. Shabana Roze Chowdhury
3.	World Sexual Health Day [Awareness Walk]	3.9.23	Awareness Walk organised by Bengal Obstetric & Gynecological Society
4.	Dementia Awareness	3.10.23	Dr. Nilanjana Moulik, Secretary General, Alzheimer and Related Disorders Society of India – Calcutta Chapter.
5.	Breast Cancer Awareness	10.10.23	Dr. Vineeta Kaul, Senior Gynaecologist
6.	Aids Awareness	1.12.23	Essay Competition
7.	Anaemia, Thyroid, Bone Density Screening	6.1.24	Screening Camp With Kolkata Menopause Society and Rotary Club of Salt Lake Metropolitan

- Four faculty members were given financial aid to attend, workshops and training programmes. Ten contractual non-teaching staff were given festival bonus as staff welfare measure.
- Contractual Non-teaching staff members were given festival bonus in the session 2023-24, at par with substantive post holders.

## **10. CAREER COUNSELLING AND PLACEMENT**

The **Career Counselling and Placement Cell** has worked tirelessly during the entire session for guiding students in their onward progression to higher studies and employment. The following is the list of Programmes undertaken by the Cell:

<b>SERIAL NO.</b>	<b>NAME OF THE PROGRAMME</b>	<b>ORGANISERS/COLLABORATORS</b>	<b>DATE</b>
1	Pre-Placement Talk	CCPC and TrustKlub Consulting	21.08.2023
2	Pre-Placement Session	CCPC and TimesPro	22.08.2023
3	Career Counselling Session	CCPC and Anudip Foundation	29.08.2023
4	World Education Fair (at Lalit Great Eastern)	EDWISE	09.09.2023
5	Grooming Session for Indigo Recruitment	Emporium Training Institute	21.09.2023
6	Cabin Crew (walk-in) Recruitment Drive	Emporium Training Institute	23.09.2023
7	Alternative Career Options after Graduation	CCPC and iLEAP	26.09.2023
8	Australia and New Zealand Virtual Admissions Day	EDWISE	29.11.2023
9	Seminar on the Prospect of Govt. jobs and RICE Talent Scholarship Test	CCPC and RICE Education	14.12.2023
10	National Employability Test	George Telegraph Training Institute and CCPC	19.12.2023
11	Teaching as a Career	CCPC and Inayat Global Foundation	19.12.2023
12	Online Career Counselling Session	CCPC and Anudip Foundation for Social Welfare	28.12.2023
13	Government Job Training and Skill	CCPC and National Vocational Academy of	02.01.2024



	Building	India	
14	UDAAN 24	7 MOU Colleges	11.01.2024
15	Campus Interview	CCPC and Dept of F.A.D. conducted by Landmark Group	22.02.2024
16	Opportunities on Abroad Education	CCPC and EDWISE	15.03.2024
17	Career Opportunities in Government Sectors	CCPC and RICE Education	21.03.2024
18	Soft Skills Development for Students	CCPC and Anudip Foundation for Social Welfare	28.03.2024

### **11. COMMUNITY OUTREACH:**

This year our college's **Social Service Sub-Committee** has organised several community outreach programmes. The programmes are as follows:

Sl. No.	Date	Name of Event	Action Taken
1 .	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023	Observance of 'Kanyashree Day'	In observance of the 10th Kanyashree Day, Kanyashree Cell in collaboration with Social Service Sub-Committee has successfully organised and completed the Poster Competition (Topic: Impact of Kanyashree) and creative Expression Competition (Topic: Environment/ Health and Hygiene and Nutrition) and the created posters and writings were exhibited on 4th and 5th August 2023 in the college premise.
2 .	11th October, 2023	College Fete 'Aagomoni'23'	The Social Service Sub-Committee organised a College Fete " <b>Aagomoni 23</b> " with the participation of the students from all the semesters of Rani Birla Girls' College on 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 within the college premise. The participating students formed groups, putting up stalls, selling food items, handicrafts and games, and a part of these sale were donated by the students to the Social Service Sub-committee which were to be utilised for social welfare causes. This College Fete was organised to collect fund for social welfare causes and to nurture the entrepreneurship skills within the students. NGOs like Ankur Kala and Ishwar Sankalpa participated in this Fete.
3 .	15 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023	Visit to Orphanage and donated items	The members of Social Service Sub Committee and some students of Rani Birla Girls' College, as, visited the orphanage, 'Angel Residence', Auxilium Convent, in Kalyani on 15th October '23. The college donated several useful stationary items, craft making items, dry snacks and sanitary pads to the girls residing there.
4 .	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024 and 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Winter Clothes Donation Drive	The Sub-Committee had organized a 'Winter Clothes Donation Drive Week' from 2 <sup>nd</sup> January to 8 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024, to collect the warm winter clothes (of different age groups). The collected items were handed over to our MOU partner 'Foundation of Unified Youths Of Gayeshpur' on 10 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024 to be distributed to the people-in-need.

5	9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024	Students' Food Stall in Knowledge'24 Book Fair held at RBGC premise	On 9th January 2024, the Social Service Subcommittee in coordination with Students' Advisory Subcommittee, had organized a 'Students' Food Stall ' to promote entrepreneur skills within students, where a myriad variety of food stalls were set up and foods were prepared and sold by college students of different departments of Rani Birla Girls College, in the Book Fair -Knowledge' 24 in the college campus.
6	10 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024	Cleanliness Drive	The Social Service Subcommittee organized a cleanliness drive called 'SAY NO TO PLASTIC' to create awareness about the harmful effects of plastic on our environment and to make the campus plastic free. All faculty members and students of our college participated in this drive to make it successful. The cleanliness drive was held on 10th February, 2024 from 10:30 am in the college campus.
7	18 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024	Visit to Old Age Home and donated items	The Social Service Sub-committee of Rani Birla Girls' College organised a visit to the Old Age home 'Kasba Divine Foundation' by the teachers and students of the institution. Teachers and students interacted and spent time with the aged there and donated some essential grocery items. There was an enthusiastic participation from the students and the faculty members which made the program successful.
8	20 <sup>th</sup> March, 2024	'One Day Workshop on Community Mobilization and Community Outreach Programs and Mental Health Literacy through Activity Based Sessions	The Social Service Subcommittee organised a 'One Day Workshop on Community Mobilization and Community Outreach Programs and Mental Health Literacy Through Activity Based Sessions' in collaboration with Ishwar Sankalpa on 20th March 2024 in the College Auditorium from 11.30 am onwards. This workshop was meant to inspire and encourage the students to be socially active and have knowledge and skills to be socially productive. There was an enthusiastic participation from the students and the faculty members which made the program successful.
9	3 <sup>rd</sup> April, 2024	'Stationary Items Distribution Drive' at Dhakuria Railway Colony Slum	The Social Service Subcommittee organised a visit and a 'Stationary Items Distribution Drive' at Dhakuria Railway Colony Slum in the light of recent fire disaster that happened on 27th March, 2024. Members of Social Service Subcommittee Kinshuk Das, Sanjukta Ghosh and Sayantani Maitra, visited the place, on 1st April, 2024, to make a list of the necessary immediate required items by doing a survey. The distribution drive of the necessary required stationary items was conducted on 3rd April, 2024.
10	5 <sup>th</sup> April, 2024	A Talk on 'Cyber Security'	The Cyber Cell of Kolkata Police in collaboration with Social Service Subcommittee, conducted a Talk on 'Cyber Security' for the faculty members and the students of our college on 5th April 2024 Subhankar Chakraborty, Cyber Crime Expert was the resource person.
11	3 <sup>rd</sup> May, 2024	Night Shelter 'Sarbari' Visit	The members of Social Service Subcommittee arranged a visit to 'Sarbari' - Night Shelter for homeless women at Chetla on 3rd May, 2024, at 12noon in collaboration with Ishwar Sankalpa. Students participated in the program along with their teachers Dr. Sharmistha Mukherjee, Fauzia Javed and Kalpana Biswas. They observed the handicrafts work of the mentally challenged and homeless residents of Sarbari. Finally, the members donated summer relief refreshments like ORS powder, Milk powder, Energy drink etc.

## **12. INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES:**

- Repair and upgradation of BFAD Lab and Communicative English Language Lab.
- Purchase of two new projectors for the departments of Sociology and Political Science strengthened our ICT facilities for teaching and learning.
- For strengthening of e-governance facility of the college, a modern Student Management Software and Accounts Management Software was procured.
- The college introduced on-line fees collection for all semesters from this academic session.
- Two new laptops were purchased for the IQAC, for the upcoming NAAC work.
- 2 air-conditioners purchased for the Staff Room and Principal's Room
- Repair and upgradation of Staff toilets near College Office, Students toilet near Canteen and Principal's toilet
- Overhead Shed Infront of the Canteen and above room no. 312.
- Repair of Canteen furniture.
- Repair of classroom furniture.
- The CCTV surveillance mechanism was bolstered and effectively revamped by adding four new cameras.
- The IQAC Room of the college was refurbished with better space and infrastructure to enable teachers to work seamlessly.
- The Library was rearranged to ensure single entry and exit keeping in mind the upcoming RFID installation plan.

## **13. ALUMNI RELATIONS:**

Rani Birla Girls' College Alumni Association, established in 2003, is an integral part of the College ethos. The Association and its members have been regularly making contributions to the functioning of the college. Like all the past years this year too the Association will be awarding a medal to the College Topper in academics. This year the recipient of the medal is Ayesha Dass, Dept. of Fashion & Apparel Designing. Some notable alumnae who are actively working for the upliftment of society through their NGOs. Two such ladies are Anne Joseph of Ankur Kala and Sarbani Das Roy of Ishwar Sankalpa. They have participated and held various programmes in college for the students and staff. Both the organisations have had their stalls in the College book fair Knowledge '24 and fete Aagomani '23. Ishwar Sankalpa held a workshop on Community Mobilization and Community Outreach Mental Health Literacy to create awareness of mental health among the students. Thereafter our students visited the night shelter for a practical orientation. A Special Talk on Destitute Children and Women with emphasis on their Mental Health was organised by Ishwar Sankalpa where Sarbani, founder of Ishwar Sankalpa, herself addressed the students. The programme was organised in collaboration with the Social Service Sub-Committee.

Alumni Association held its annual meet cum summer fete 'Beat the Heat' in May 2024.

## **CONCLUSION:**

This year has also brought its share of challenges, particularly in adapting to the evolving educational landscape. The New Education Policy 2020 was adapted nationwide in the past couple of years, and the University of Calcutta introduced the Curriculum and Credit Framework 2022, based on NEP 2020, from the 2023-24 session. It has necessitated a shift from 3-year honours curriculum to a 4-year curriculum, which has tested our resilience and adaptability. We are proud of how our community has come together to accept the challenge and ensure continuity in education with support for all our stakeholders.

The Annual Report is a testament to our collective efforts and a source of inspiration for future endeavours. It reflects our unwavering commitment to our mission of providing quality education and fostering an inclusive and supportive learning environment.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and partners for their contributions and support. Together, we continue to strive for excellence and to make a positive impact on society.

Thank you for taking the time to engage with this report. We hope it provides valuable insights into the life and achievements of Rani Birla Girls' College.

Sincerely,

**Dr. Srabanti Bhattacharya**  
Principal