

## **WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS 2022-2023**

1. **On July 4, 2022, a one-day workshop on "Computers as a Career Option"** was conducted in collaboration with "Hi-Fi Computers", College Road Kupwara in which a considerable number of students participated.

2. **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA**

On the eve of the International Day of Yoga, the NSS units and Physical Education Department of the College, in collaboration with the Department of AYUSH organised week-long workshop on the theme "Yoga for Humanity under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. The workshop was inaugurated on June 16, 2022, by Incharge Principal, Prof. G. R. Ganai, in presence of programme officers NSS Dr. Mehraj Bashir and Dr. Shazia lone and District coordinator AYUSH Dr. Altaf Ahmad Sheikh and Physical Training Instructor Mr. Ashfaq Ahmad. 61 students, NSS volunteers, and students of an adopted school (Govt. Upper Primary School Bohipora) participated in the Yoga inaugural session. Speakers underscored the benefits of Yoga in unison of body and mind. Dr. Seema Bashir, Yoga expert taught the students and faculty the different Asanas of Yoga. On June 21, the concluding day of the workshop, a mega event was organised. Prof. G.R. Ganai welcomed the guests, and the event's chief guest, Mr. Khalid Jahangir, Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, gave the opening remarks. While District AYUSH Officer Dr. Farooq Iqbal gave a brief introduction about yoga and its advantages. Faculty from the college, a group of doctors from the Department of AYUSH, staff and students from Upper Primary School Bohipora (the college's adopted school), NSS volunteers, and college students all attended the programme. Dr. Mehraj Bashir served as the program's moderator, and Mr. Ashfaq Ahmad, the college's physical education instructor, gave the vote of thanks.

3. **INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE**

Under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, the college NSS units observed the International Day against Drug Abuse in collaboration with the District administration Kupwara on Sunday, June 26, 2022 in college auditorium. All faculty, non-teaching staff and students of the college attended the programme. The programme was also attended by Anganwadi workers from the Department of Social Welfare and media professionals. The programme started with the recitation of verses from the Holy Quran by Prof. Ab. Hamid. In-charge principal Prof. G. R. Ganai and NSS (Girls unit) programme officer Dr. Shazia Lone gave lectures on the subject. Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, the chief guest on the occasion, spoke on the occasion and announced the opening of a Drug De-addiction centre at SDH Kupwara. The programme was moderated by Dr. Mehraj Bashir, programme officer NSS, whereas, vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Reyaz Ahmad.

#### **4. EAT WELL MELA**

On July 28, 2022, the college hosted a one-day Eat Well Mela under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. The programme was carried out in collaboration with the NSS units of the college by the Department of Food Safety, J&K. Mr. Irfan Padithpuri, DDC Chairman Kupwara, inaugurated the programme. Mr. Khalid Jahangir, Deputy Commissioner Kupwara and Mr. Hilal Ahmad, Director Food Safety, also spoke at the event. The college hosted cultural programmes and a panel discussion. During the panel discussion, Dr. Mehraj Bashir interacted with the audience and answered their questions to their satisfaction. Mr. Rafi Ahmad, Assistant Director Food Safety Kupwara, presented vote of thanks at the end of the programme.

#### **5. INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS**

The 76th Independence Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm at our college, with the active participation of NCC and NSS Boys unit volunteers. The event was attended by the NSS Programme Officers, the NCC Officer, faculty members, and non-teaching staff. The celebrations included parades, cultural programs, and other activities. After the parade, a cultural program was hosted in the auditorium

#### **6. NATIONAL ANTHEM SINGING COMPETITION**

The College NSS units conducted National Anthem Singing Competition in the college on August 15, 2022. Nine students took part in the competition and top three positions were secured by Muneer Ahmad Khan, Haroon Hamid, and Riyaz Ahmad Chopan. All teaching and non-teaching staff, as well as NSS and NCC volunteers and cadets, were present during the event. Prof. Sayeed Showket and Dr. Farooq Ahmad, ANO NCC also spoke on the occasion. Dr. Oyais Ahmad Chatt and Mr. Ashfaq Ahmad (PTI) acted as the Jury members. The programme was moderated by Dr. Mehraj Bashir, Programme officer NSS whereas vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Zahoor Ahmad Pir.

#### **7. CELEBRATION OF NASHA MukT BHARAT (1-30 September, 2022)**

One month long Nasha MukT Bharat Campaign was carried out by the NSS units in collaboration with Debates and Seminars Committee of the college. a. Pledge ceremony This college's faculty and students took a pledge for Nasha MukT Bharat in the college's central park on September 3, 2022. Students, NSS volunteers, NCC cadets, and staff all swore an oath to Dr. Mehraj Bashir in hopes of making the Kupwara District, in general, and the country, in particular, drug free. An essay competition on the theme of "The Crisis of Drug Addiction" was held on September 5, 2022, in which 23 students participated. The competition was judged by Prof. Naveed Ahmad Paray, who evaluated the scripts submitted by the participants. After careful evaluation, Mr. Zubair Ahmad Sheikh (3rd sem), Mr. Fahad Iqbal (3rd sem), and Miss Abroo Gulzar were declared the winners, securing the first, second, and third positions, respectively. c. Drawing Competition On September 6, 2022, a

drawing competition was organized by the Debates and Seminars Committee and NSS Units on the theme "Our Role in Making Kupwara Drug Free" in which 21 students participated. Dr. M. Shafi Lone, the Principal, initiated the competition and motivated the students to showcase their creativity and imagination. The artworks were evaluated carefully, and Mr. Altaf Ahmad Shah, Mr. Khan Nadeem, and Mr. Talib Hussain secured the first, second, and third positions, respectively. The competition displayed the artistic talents of all participants, who expressed their ideas on making Kupwara a drug-free place through their drawings.

## **8. Inter-College SINGING (PATRIOTIC SONG) COMPETITION**

The Debates and Seminars committee organized a District-level Inter-College Singing (Patriotic Song) Competition on August 2, 2022, under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav/ Har Ghar Tiranga. Two candidates from each of the district's eight colleges participated in the competition, demonstrating their vocal prowess and patriotism through their performances. The competition was judged by a panel of experts who had a difficult time selecting the winners because all of the performances were outstanding. Finally, Mr. Sheraz Ahmad Lone, a student of 1st semester, GDC Kupwara was adjudged the winner of the competition and Zahida Bashir, Iqra Gani and Safoura Akhter of GDC Women Kupwara were declared as runners-up in the competition for their group song.

## **9. DOCUMENTRY DISPLAY On August 1, 2022**

A documentary on the Heroes of Indian Freedom Struggle was screened under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav by the Debates and Seminars Committee. The documentary was watched by staff and students who were eager to learn about the sacrifices made by India's heroes in the fight for freedom. The documentary was a poignant and powerful tribute to the men and women who fought for India's independence. It featured rare footage and interviews with some of the surviving members of the freedom struggle, who recounted their experiences and shared their insights into the struggle for independence. The event was a fitting tribute to the legacy of those who fought for India's freedom, and served as a reminder of the importance of preserving and celebrating that legacy.

## **10. 3-DAYS DIGITAL MELA**

District administration Kupwara in collaboration with the college organized 3-days Digital Mela in the college campus from July 25 to 27, 2022, under the banner of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. The Mela was inaugurated by Deputy Commissioner Kupwara. It was an awareness camp wherein various departments setup their stalls and acquainted the public about various online services. The colleges also setup its stall wherein the faculty fully acquainted the students about the online services offered to the students for their convenience viz. admission process, counseling and mentorship etc.

### **11. Demonstration of APICULTURE TECHNIQUES**

Apiculture techniques demonstration workshop was organized by the Department on 01-08-22 under the banner of AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV. 80 students of the college studying Apiculture as skill course attended the workshop.

### **12. WORLD ENVIRONMENT WEEK 2-7 JUNE 2022 (EVS)**

The NSS units in collaboration with the Department of Environmental Science observed World Environment week 2022 from June 2-7, 2022. Quiz competition, Slogan Competition, Nature Poetry, and seminar were conducted, in which students from different colleges of the District participated. On the concluding day, seminar was held in the college Auditorium on June 7th 2022, on the international theme “Only One Earth”. Prof. G. R Ganai presided over the programme. Programme was moderated by Dr. Shazia Lone whereas vote of thanks was presented by Dr. Mehraj Bashir.

### **13. One Day Webinar on counselling skills and Techniques**

The Department of Education and the IQAC Cell of the College, organized a one-day webinar on June 30, 2022, for students, on counseling skills and techniques. The webinar was moderated by Prof Irfan Ali, Assistant Professor of Education and aimed to provide students with knowledge and skills in counseling and to improve their ability to support and guide individuals in need.

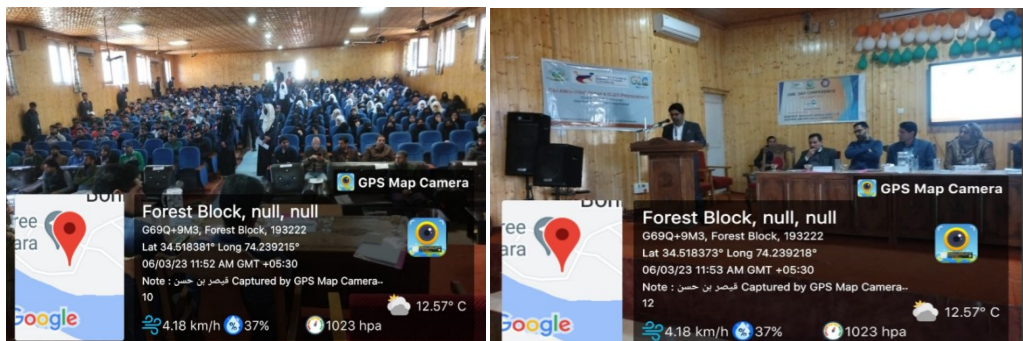
### **14. One day National Seminar on the theme “Management of E-Resources in Academic Libraries” was organized on 25/08/2022.**

**Government Degree College Kupwara** organized one day National Seminar on the theme “Management of E-Resources in Academic Libraries” in College Auditorium. The programme started with the recitation of Holy verses of Quran by Prof. Abdul Hamid Shah. Dr. Fayaz Ahmad Lone principal of the host college welcomed the guests and spoke on the importance of digital books and electronic mailing applications. Dr. Mohd Iqbal Bhat, Librarian and organizer of the event, highlighted the significance of seminar and informed gathering that GDC Kupwara is the first college in J&K to organize National Seminar in Library sciences. Dr. Nabi Hasan, Chief Librarian IIT Delhi was the chief guest whereas Dr. Sameer Gul, Associate Professor DLIS Kashmir University, was the guest of honour. Dr. Nabi Hasan presented his detailed paper on “emerging trends in librarianship” in which he showed how E-books, E-Journals and Gateways are useful for researchers and teachers. He also provided detailed information of digital archiving software’s like E-PRINTS and Dspace etc. First session was chaired by Dr. Nabi Hassan and reporters were Prof. Snowber Majid, Librarian GDC Bemina, and Prof. Hilal Ahmed Bhat, Librarian GDC D.H Pora. Dr. Sameer Gul in his detailed presentation spoke on Electronic Resource Management in which he provided detailed information on impact factor of E-Journals and E-books. The next presentation was given by Dr. Shiekh Shoaib Assistant Librarian Islamic University of

Science and Technology, Awantipora. The second session was chaired by Dr. Sameer Gul and the reporters were Dr. Aamir Amanullah, Librarian GDC Sogam and Dr. Shuaib Mushtaq Baba, Librarian GDC Handwara. The session started with the presentation of Dr. Shabir Ahmed Naikoo, Librarian GHSS, Bandipora who spoke on importance of “Soft skills among library professionals”. The next paper was presented by Ms. Tazim Zainab, Librarian GDCW, Zakura Srinagar on “trends in digital preservation” followed by presentation of Mr. Sameer Ahmed Sultanpuri, Librarian GHSS Athora, Baramulla who spoke on “ School Library Management. Dr. Mohd Iqbal Bhat, Librarian GDC Kupwara was awarded the best College Librarian and best 10+2 level librarian award was presented to Dr. Shabir Ahmed Naikoo Librarian GHSS, Aloosa Bandipora. The Seminar ended with the concluding remarks by Prof. Gulam Rasool Ganai ,Associate Professor Department of Zoology GDC Kupwara. Special thanks where expressed to Dr. Irfan Ali Assistant Professor Education and Dr. Aabid Hussain Assistant Prof. Commerce for making the National Event online. Dr. Shazia Lone, Assistant Professor EVS moderated the event.

### **15. One Day Seminar on the theme “VasudhaivaKutumbakum: One Earth. One Family. One Future.” (March 6, 2023)**

The Institutions Innovation Council (IIC) and NSS units of the college organized one-day seminar on the theme “Vasudhaiva Kutumbakum: One Earth. One Family. One Future.” on March 6, 2023. A large number of participants, including students and faculty, from various colleges of the district attended the seminar. In his welcome address, Prof Mohd. Shafi Lone, Principal GDC Kupwara, besides greeting the audience, highlighted the role of G20 in shaping and strengthening global architecture and governance on all major international economic issues. Dr. Mohd. Ibrahim Khwaja (HOD Political science, GDC Handwara), in his keynote address, talked in detail about the “Importance of G-20 Presidency and Youth Engagement in the Context of Y-20” and enlightened the audience about the huge responsibility of hosting its presidency.



Other Resource Persons including Miss Refat Wani (Chairperson, Kashmir Servers, an NGO) deliberated upon the title “Gender Equality” and Dr. Shazia Lone (HOD Environmental Studies, GDC Kupwara) gave a detailed talk on “Mission LIFE and Sustainable Development”. Mr. Gh. Nabi Bhat (Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kupwara) graced the occasion as Chief Guest and Dr. Fayaz Ahamd Lone (Principal, GDC Women’s

Kupwara) along with Dr. Ab. Rashid Malik (Principal, GDC Kralpora) were the Guests of Honour on the occasion. The proceedings of the programme were conducted by Dr. Hilal Ahmad Mir and the Vote of Thanks was presented by Prof. Naveed Ahmad Paray.

### **16. One-day seminar concerning International Women's Day celebrations Theme: "DigitALL, Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality" (March 14, 2023)**

In connection with International Women's Day celebrations, the College IIC, NSS and Debates and Seminars committees organized one-day seminar on the theme "DigitALL, Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality" on March 14, 2023. The objective of the seminar was to sensitize the students about the importance of gender equality in the digital age and how technology can be leveraged to promote gender equality. Principal, Prof. Mohammad Shafi Lone, in his welcome address, besides greeting the audience, highlighted the importance of organizing such a seminar and shared his insights on the topic and emphasized on the need to use technology to promote gender equality. Dr. Shazia Lone, the Resource Person for the day, highlighted how technology can be used to bridge the gender gap and empower women. She emphasized the importance of creating an inclusive digital ecosystem that benefits everyone, including women. She also spoke about how technology can be used to eliminate gender-based violence and harassment. Towards the end of the seminar, Prof. Naveed Ahmad Paray presented the vote of thanks. He also thanked the Coordinators of NSS Units, IIC Unit and Debates and Seminars committee including Dr. Hilal Ahmad Mir, Dr. Ab. Rashid Sheikh and Dr. Ali Mohammad Pir for organizing the seminar and emphasized the need for such initiatives to sensitize the youth about gender issues.



## 17. One Day Seminar on National Technology Day

On 11th May 2023, a one day seminar on National Technology Day was organised at Lecture Hall B with the objective to celebrate and acknowledge the significant contributions of technology to various sections of society. The seminar aimed to provide a platform for experts, professionals and enthusiasts to share insights, discuss achievements and explore the future prospects of technology across diverse domains. The seminar began with a keynote address by Dr. Hilal Ahmad Mir, Head, Department of Economics. The speaker emphasized the role of technology in fostering innovation and creativity, and highlighted recent developments and challenges in the technology landscape. Large number of students and Faculty expressed their views on the topic and hence provided a platform for participants to deepen their understanding of technology.



The seminar served as an insightful platform for knowledge exchange. Participants left the seminar with deeper understanding of technology's role in shaping society. The programme was concluded with Vote of Thanks given by Head Department of English Prof. Naveed A. Paray.