

# **The Principal's Report**

## **The College Annual Day 2010-'11**

### **Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2011**



The Rt. Rev. Asoke Biswas, The Bishop of Calcutta and the President of the College Council, Gen. Shankar Roychowdhury, the Chief Guest of the day, members of the College Governing Council, winners of the various prizes and awards, members of the Scottish family, invited guests, ladies and gentlemen,

On behalf of the Scottish Church College family, I extend you all a very warm welcome to the College Annual Day 2010-11.

I express my sincere gratitude to Gen. Roychowdhury for honouring the college by accepting our invitation to be the Chief Guest of the Annual Day 2010-11.

On each annual day, the college felicitates students for their curricular and co-curricular achievements and recognitions. We also honour, on each Annual Day, the retired members of the staff, both teaching and non-teaching, for their valuable service to the college.

The college continues its pursuit towards academic excellence all these years. The college was accredited by NAAC and awarded Grade A status in May 2004. The period of accreditation is already over and the college is in the process of reaccreditation. The NAAC Steering Committee for Reaccreditation has already started compiling the self-study report. The three-year CPE (College with Potential for Excellence) status of the college also ended on 31 March, 2009. The print media once again rate Scottish one among the top fifty colleges of India this year also in arts and science.

#### **Admission to the UG/PG courses**

Admission of students to various courses of the college is done on-line. During the academic year 2010-11, on-line submission has been extended to the post-graduate course as well. Admission of students to the Teacher Education Department for the B.Ed Course for the session, 2011-12, which is already on, is also made on-line.

#### **The First Assembly and Orientation of new students**

The First Assembly and the Thanks-giving Service were celebrated on the College Foundation Day, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010. Sri Utpal Chatterjee, the Sheriff of Calcutta, was the Chief Guest. The Rt. Rev. Ashoke Biswas, the President of the College Governing Council and the Bishop of Calcutta, presided over the function.

From the current academic session, a more focussed 4-hour orientation was arranged from 14<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> July 2010, in batches, in order to introduce the college to the newly admitted students. This was over and above the general introduction about the college during the First Assembly. The topics included general counselling, career counselling, the college library rules, on-the campus Christian activities, Activity Clubs, NSS and sports & games facilities of the college.

### **Academic Results for the session 2009-10**

I present before you the results of the college in the Calcutta University Under-graduate examinations and Post-graduate (Autonomous) of the session 2009-10 and congratulate our students for their commendable achievements at the respective university examinations.

- ***BA/BSc/BBA (1+1+1: New Regulation) Results 2009-10***

- ***Part III***

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Appeared</b>	<b>I Class</b>	<b>II Class</b>	<b>Success % in Honours</b>
<b>Bengali</b>	33	2	30	97
<b>English</b>	47	0	44	94
<b>History</b>	24	0	24	100
<b>Philosophy</b>	19	3	15	95
<b>Pol. Science</b>	30	0	27	90
<b>Sanskrit</b>	22	0	16	73
<b>Botany</b>	5	4	1	100
<b>Chemistry</b>	27	11	16	100
<b>Economics</b>	49	6	39	92
<b>Mathematics</b>	19	3	12	79
<b>Physics</b>	34	14	19	97
<b>Zoology</b>	14	8	5	93
<b>Computer Sc.</b>	21	13	7	95
<b>Microbiology</b>	21	9	9	86
<b>BBA</b>	25	19	6	100

- ***Part II***

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Appeared</b>	<b>I Class</b>	<b>II Class</b>	<b>% promoted to Part III</b>
<b>Bengali</b>	44	8	35	98
<b>English</b>	51	7	41	94
<b>History</b>	38	0	24	74
<b>Philosophy</b>	45	4	26	84
<b>Pol. Science</b>	57	2	44	89
<b>Sanskrit</b>	46	5	29	85
<b>Botany</b>	28	23	1	100

<b>Chemistry</b>	46	2	40	93
<b>Computer Sc.</b>	21	11	10	100
<b>Economics</b>	43	10	25	91
<b>Mathematics</b>	29	7	13	72
<b>Microbiology</b>	22	9	13	100
<b>Physics</b>	47	20	20	91
<b>Zoology</b>	21	5	12	95
<b>BBA</b>	37	24	8	86

○ **Part I**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Appeared</b>	<b>I Class</b>	<b>II Class</b>	<b>% promoted to Part II</b>
<b>Bengali</b>	43	1	27	88
<b>English</b>	57	12	17	81
<b>History</b>	55	0	31	84
<b>Philosophy</b>	35	1	18	80
<b>Pol. Science</b>	67	2	46	81
<b>Sanskrit</b>	45	4	26	93
<b>Botany</b>	30	4	12	73
<b>Chemistry</b>	60	35	14	93
<b>Computer Sc.</b>	37	5	15	62
<b>Economics</b>	66	31	20	91
<b>Mathematics</b>	59	17	24	90
<b>Microbiology</b>	30	4	16	87
<b>Physics</b>	43	21	11	84
<b>Zoology</b>	29	12	7	93

• **Department of Teacher Education – Result of B. Ed Examination**

<b>Appeared</b>	<b>I Class</b>	<b>II Class</b>	<b>Compartmental</b>	<b>% I Class</b>
96	91	04	01	95

- **Faculty of Post-graduate Studies (Autonomous) – Part II Examination 2010**

Subject	Appeared	I Class	II Class	% Success	% I Class	% II Class
Botany	23	19	4	100	83	17
Chemistry	29	28	1	100	97	3

- **Toppers/Rank Holders**

Subject	Topper	% Marks
Botany	Ms. Amrita Banerjee	75.6
Chemistry	Ms. Ruth Gomes	81.6

- **Post-graduate Commencement Day**

The degree was awarded to the successful candidates of the Faculty of the Post-graduate Studies (Autonomous) of the college on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2010 by Prof. Dhruvajyothi Chatterjee, the Pro Vice Chancellor (Academic) of the Calcutta University.

### **Medals & Scholarships**

The following are the names of the recipients of the two most prestigious prizes of the College, namely, Hawkins Medal and Krishnalal De Medal, instituted for the outgoing and most outstanding students in the BA and BSc Honours Examinations 2009-10.

Medal	Category	Name of the awardee
<b>Hawkins Medal</b>	The Most Distinguished Honours Student ( <i>Humanities</i> )	Amrita Roy (III Philosophy)
<b>Krishnalal De Medal</b>	The Best Honours Student ( <i>Science</i> )	Shirsendu Day (III Physics)

- Dr. Alexander Duff Memorial Prize (Arts) Sandip Mallick II BA Sanskrit
- Dr. Alexander Duff Memorial Prize (Science) Roshan Kumar Singh II BSc Botany
- Urquhart Prize Sahadeb Roy III BA History
- Macfarlane Prize (Certificate of Merit) Amrita Roy III BA Philosophy
- Dr. Dwipendra Nath Bose Memorial Silver Medal Amrita Roy II BA Philosophy
- Dr. Biraj Shankar Guha & Mrs. Uma Guha Memorial Education Award
  1. Suprana Natta II BA History
  2. Dipankar Saha III BA History
- Kanak Banerjee Memorial Educational Award
  1. Amrita Sarkar I BSc Chemistry
  2. Roshan Kumar Singh II BSc Botany
  3. Shirsendu Dey III BSc Physics

## **Research Activities**

### • ***Post Doctoral Fellowship***

Prof. Kalyan Chakrabarti, Department of Mathematics, was a post doctoral researcher at the LOMC Laboratory, University of Le Havre with a fellowship sponsored jointly by the French Conseil General, Haute Normandie and the European Union during 23 February - 23 December, 2010. Stable collaboration with the Le Havre group together with several publications resulted from the visit.

### • ***Teacher Fellowship from the UGC under FIP***

Smt. Kaberi Chatterjee and Smt. Arpita Mukerji, both of the Department of English, are in the last phase of their research leading to PhD degree under FIP scheme of the UGC.

Smt. Deepti Myriam Joseph serves the college as FIP substitute for Smt. Arpita Mukerji.

### • ***Major/Minor Research Projects***

Several faculty members of the college also show keen interest in research and related activities on its campus.

- The Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of West Bengal, sanctioned a sum of Rs. 6.04 lakhs towards a major research project "*Study to develop pre-retting method for jute fibre assessment along with exploration of biotechnological method for fibre quality improvement and utilization of jute-wastes*" to the Department of Botany, under the supervision of Dr. Shampa Bhattacharya.
- The Major Research Project under the DST. Govt. of India on "*Electrical transport properties of nano-composites*" under the supervision of Dr. Upendranath Nandi, Department of Physics, is in its second year now. The funding is for a period of three years and to the tune of Rs. 14.00 lakhs.
- Prof. Sanjib Deb is carrying on with the Minor Research Project "*The Ontological Argument*" sponsored by the UGC.

### • ***Research Publications***

#### ▪ ***Sm. Arpita Mukherjee***

- Mukerji A., Rev. Mathuranath Bose: A Study in the Development of Bengali Christian Identity Under Colonialism: *The Calcutta Historical Journal, VOL.XXVIII, No. 2, July - December, 2008 published in October, 2010, Department of History, University of Calcutta, pp. 85-90*

#### ▪ ***Dr. Susmita Ghosh***

- Dr. Bhattacharya was virtual presenter of the paper : "*Hydrological Changes and their Impact on Fluvial Environment of the Lower Damodar Basin over a Period of Fifty Years of Damming the Mighty Damodar River in Eastern India*" at "*GEOMED2010*", The 2<sup>ND</sup> International Geographical Symposium, Turkey.

▪ **Dr. Samrat Bhattacharya**

- Bhattacharjee, S. Saha, S. and Raychaudhuri, D. 2010. Scoliid Wasps (Hymenoptera: Vespoidea) of Jaldapara Wildlife Sanctuary, West Bengal, India. *Mun. Ent. Zool.* 5 (2): 61-69.
- Bhattacharjee, S. Ohl, M. Saha, S. Sarker, S. and Raychaudhuri, D. 2010. *Euclimacia nodosa* (Westwood, 1847), a rare and poorly known species of Mantispidae (Neuroptera), recorded for the first time from West Bengal, India. *Zoosyst. Evol.* 86 (2):221-224.
- Bhattacharjee, S. Saha, S. and Raychaudhuri, D. 2011. Insects (Hymenoptera) of Bandhavgarh Tiger reserve, Madhya Pradesh. *Insect Environment*, 16(3). (To be published in March 2011).

• **Other Publications**

▪ **Dr. Arup Roy**

- “*Introduction to Quantum Mechanics*”: Miley Mishra Publishers

▪ **Dr. Pradip Basu**

- “*Uttar-Adhunik Rajniti*”: Book in Bengali published by Sahitya Lok
- “*Avenel Companion to Modern Social Theorists*”; Edited Volume in English (in press) Published by Avenel Books
- “*Colonial Modernity: Indian Perspectives*” (in press); Edited Volume in English published by Setu Prakashini, Kolkata

▪ **Dr. Supratim Das**

- ‘Intellectual Origins of Subaltern Studies’, in *Contemporary Historical Thoughts*, Collection of Articles presented in the UGC - sponsored State Level Seminar at Mahishadal Raj College, Midnapur, West Bengal (in press).
- ‘Subaltern Studies’, *Recent Historiography of India*, Proceedings of the Refresher Course, Department of History, Utkal University, Orissa (forthcoming).
- ‘*Tom Paine and the French Revolution*’ [in Bengali] (Directorate of Distance Education, Burdwan University, Burdwan, forthcoming)

▪ **Dr. Bidisa Sinha**

- *Narendranath Mitra's Charai – Utrai: Ek Uthore Biprotip Kahini* - Adhunan Sahitya Patrika
- *Jiggasur drishtite kalautat: Rabindra Upolobdhir Sarangsho*: Tobu Ekoloby, Rabindra Sanskaran
- *Bankimchandr's Bangadesher Krishak: Unish Shataker Krishak Samajer Darpan*: Bangla Prabandha Biksh: Srishti o Sroshta

▪ **Dr. Monabi Mitra**

- “*The Fakir*”, translation of Sunil Gangopadhyay's novel “*Moner Manush*”: Harper Collins Publishers

- **Prof. Chaitali Brahma**
  - “Rupantar”: Poem published in “Kobibareshu”
  - “Rabindra Chotogalpe Protijolito Hindu samaj Ebony Rabindranather Barnochetona”: Sahita Setu Patrika
- **Prof. Sumit Adhikary**
  - “Balaka parabarti Narivabna: Procholoto Bhashyo Theke Tatwomukti” - Tobu Ekoloby, Rabindra Sanskaran
- **College Publications**
  - The college continues to publish the refereed international journal, **Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences**, and the seventh issue was published in September 2010. The theme of this issue is *Culture and Society*.
  - The College Newsletter “**The Scottish Herald**” is being published regularly.

### **Faculty Enrichment Initiatives**

- ***InflibNet Facility under the UGC***

Scottish Church College is one among the few colleges in India which are provided with the InflibNet facility of the UGC, free of cost. Every staff member of the college is provided with a user ID and password to browse and download various research articles in science, technology and humanities, in order to promote research culture on the campus.

The college has installed 20 broadband high-speed internet connectivity to the various departments under **National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NME-ICT)** partnering with the BSNL. All staff and students are provided with free internet access in an attempt to increase research culture on the campus.

- ***Refresher/Orientation Programmes***

The following faculty members successfully completed their refresher/orientation programmes as a part of their academic requirement.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Dept</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Institution</b>
Prof. Jayeeta Chowdhury	Physics	5 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2010	Aca. Staff Coll. CU
Prof. Birendra Singh	Hindi	15 <sup>th</sup> July – 7 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2010	Aca. Staff Coll. CU
Prof. Jharna Bhattacharya	Philosophy	8 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2010	Aca. Staff Coll. CU
Prof. Sumit Adhikari	Bengali	23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov - 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2010	Aca. Staff Coll. CU

- ***Participation in Seminar/Conferences/Workshops***

The members of the staff continue to attend seminars/conferences/workshops/other academic programmes organised by other colleges/universities/organisations in India and abroad towards academic development.

- **Dr. Pradip Basu**  
Resource Person in Refresher Course in Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Calcutta  
Resource Person in Refresher Course in Political Science, Department of Political Science, University of Calcutta
- **Dr. Rana Sen**  
Attended "*Campus Environmental Audit*": Training programme at Bishop Heber College, Trichy, Tamil Nadu, organised by United Board  
Subject Expert in Environmental Studies by the Primary Education Board of West Bengal
- **Dr. Indrani Kar**  
Resource person in the Refresher Course, Jadavpur University: on '*Sanskrit drama: an aesthetic view*'
- **Prof. Susmita Ghosh**  
Resource person in a UGC sponsored State-level Seminar "*Emerging Trends in Contemporary Education: Implications for 21<sup>st</sup> Century*" and presented the paper on, "*Self-empowerment is Essential for Professional excellence of a Teacher in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*"
- **Dr. J. Abraham & Dr. Kasinath Ghosh**  
Attended a workshop-cum-exhibition of solar devices and installations, organised by the WBREDA and the Centre for Contemporary Communication (CCC).
- **Dr. J. Abraham & Dr. Narayan Chandra Das**  
Attended a two-day workshop on "*Roof-top and Small Solar PV Power Plant Installations*" organised by the WBREDA and the Centre for Contemporary Communication (CCC) on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November 2010.
- **Prof. Arundhati Das**  
Presented a paper at the 45<sup>th</sup> All India Oriental Conference at Tirupati, Tamilnadu
- **Prof. Debashis Ghosh**  
Presented a paper on '*Suicide: an Ancient Indian Perspective*' at the International Conference organized by Inter-Disciplinary.Net on 'Suicide' held at Prague, Czech Republic.
- **Prof. Sushree Mohan**  
Attended National Workshop on Structural Bioinformatics and Perl organized by DBT-Centre for Bioinformatics, Presidency College, Kolkata held on 8th and 9th March, 2010.
- **Prof. Sushree Mohan & Prof. Moutushi Sen**  
Attended Trainer's Training Programme in Appropriate Teaching Methodology on Environment and Health, "*Exploring Coastal Ecosystems*", organized by UBHPEA & HAIES, Bishop Heber College, Trichy, from 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2011.

- **Dr. Samrat Bhattacharjee & Dr. Malabika Chakrabrty**

Attended Trainer's Training Programme in Appropriate Teaching Methodology on Environment and Health, "Exploring Mountain Ecosystems" organized by UBHPEA at Karunya University, Coimbatore from 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2011.

- **Departmental Achievements/programmes**

- **Department of History**

- Extension Lecture to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Pritilata Waddedar on 8.12.2010. Prof. Biswanath Banerjee, Department of History, Institute of Education (Post Graduate) for Women, Chandannagore, spoke on 'Pritilata Waddedar and the Chittagong Upsurge of 1930'.
- A two-day State Level Workshop in collaboration with the UG Board of Studies in History, CU, Paschimbanga Itihas Samsad and Netaji Institute of Asian Studies on 'History Teaching' on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2010.
- A documentary film, 'Independence in Modern India', directed by Dipankar Saha, III BA History (Hons), was screened on 30.11.2010.

- **Department of Chemistry**

- DST (India) sponsored *Lavoisier Seminar* on 26 Aug 2010.
- 4th Centenary Seminar for students, 2010 in collaboration with the 100 years of CU PG Teaching Celebration Committee on 6 March 2010.

- **Department of Bengali**

- UGC-sponsored National Seminar on "Manik Bandyopadhyay – Rachonakritir Punor Mulyayan" on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> February 2010 in collaboration with Sahitya Academy

- **Department of Sanskrit**

- Extension Lecture by Prof. Didhiti Biswas, Department of Sanskrit, University of Calcutta on 'Concept of Vedic Sacrifice'.

- **Award of PhD**

The following teachers were awarded their PhD degree during the current academic year.

No.	Name	Department
1.	Prof. Jayeeta Chaudhury	Physics
2.	Prof. Mausumi Manna	Economics

- **Degrees added ...**

- Prof. Manas Pal                      M. Tech (IT) from Jadavpur University & NET
- Prof. Sumana Mitra                M. Tech (Comp. Sc.) from Calcutta University
- Prof. Sourav Saha                    M. Tech (Comp. Sc.) from Calcutta University

- **Awards & laurels**

- **Prof. J. Abraham:** Dr. Sam Higginbottam Award for the Best Principals of AIACHE colleges in India
- **Prof. Upendranath Nandi:** The Best NSS Programme Coordinator Award from CU

### **New Appointments**

I also welcome the following members who joined the college during 2009-10 to take on academic responsibilities.

- **Teaching posts (Substantive)**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Joined on</b>
1.	Prof. Debashis Ghosh	Sanskrit	21/07/2010

- **Teaching posts (On contract)**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Joined on</b>
1.	Prof. Sukanya Mullick	Teacher Education	15/07/2010
2.	Dr. Sukla Chanda	Botany	02/08/2010
3.	Prof. Srijita Ghosh	Botany	02/08/2010
4.	Dr. Partha Biswas	Chemistry	10/11/2010
5.	Prof. Arnab Bhattacharya	Chemistry	10/11/2010

The members of the non-teaching staff who joined on contract the various departments of the college during this period are:

- **Non-teaching Staff on contract**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Joined on</b>	<b>Post</b>
1.	Mr. Md Sakibur Rahaman Khansama	10/01/2011	Assistant Librarian
2.	Mr. Partha Chatterjee	02/08/2010	Bearer
3.	Mr. Md Ali Haider	02/08/2010	Bearer
4.	Mr. Sunil Kumar Pramanik	02/08/2010	Bearer

### **Administrative Positions**

Prof. (Dr.) Kasinath Ghosh assumed the office of the Vice Principal on 15 March 2010, as Prof. (Dr.) Chandan Mukherjee resigned from the post. Prof. (Dr.) Supratim Das joined as the Bursar of the college on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010 as Prof. (Dr.) Narayan Chandra Das, the former bursar, successfully completed his term. Prof. (Dr.) Sadananda Bhattacharjya is the Senatus Secretary of the College in place of Prof. Swapna Das on completion of her term. Dr. Sadananda Bhattacharjya and Prof. Allen Da Silva continue as the Dean and the Controller of Examinations respectively of the Faculty of Post-graduate Studies (Autonomous) of the college. Dr. Kasinath Ghosh and Prof. Swapna Das serve as Co-ordinators of Departments of Microbiology and Business Administration respectively. The principal is also the co-ordinator of the Computer Science Department.

- **Head of Departments**

The following serve as heads/teacher-in-charge of the various departments of the college during the current academic year.

Sl.No.	Department	HoDs/Teacher-in-charge 2010-11
1	English	Dr. Monabi Mitra
2	Bengali	Prof. Chaitali Brahma
3	Sanskrit	Dr. Indrani Kar
4	Hindi	Dr. Geeta Dubey
5	Philosophy	Prof. Sanjib Deb
6	Economics	Dr. Smita Nath
7	Political Science	Prof. Sanjoy Kumar Mukherjee
8	History	Dr. Supratim Das
9	Mathematics	Prof. Sudebi Bhattacharyya
10	Physics	Dr. Arup Roy
11	Chemistry	Dr. Dinabandhu Kundu
12	Botany	Dr. Madhumanjari Mandal/Dr. Amitava Roy
13	Zoology	Prof. Swagata Chatterjee
14	Teacher Education	Prof. Kakali Mukhopadhyay
15	Computer Science	Prof. Manas Pal (TiC)
16	Microbiology	Dr. Malabika Chakraborty (TiC)
17	Statistics	Prof. Asoke Hazra
18	Physical Education	Prof. Samir Roy (TiC)
19	Business Administration	Prof. Bivas Acharya (TiC)

- **Non-teaching Staff - Career Advancement**

Sri Ananda Lal Hazra is the new Head Clerk of the college. Sri Swapan Dasgupta and Sri Bratindranath Ghosh are promoted as the Cashier and the Accountant respectively of the college.

### **Retirements of Staff**

The college would like to put on record its most sincere appreciation of all the members of staff who retired from the college since the last Annual Day, after putting in long years of inspiring service for the betterment of the college.

- **Teaching Staff**

	Name	Dept	Joined on	Retired on
1.	Prof. (Dr.) Himadri Banerjee	English	16/08/1975	31/07/2010
2.	Prof. Allen Da Silva	English	01/07/1981	31/08/2010
3.	Prof. (Dr.) Jaba Roy Chowdhury	Teacher Education	01/07/1986	30/11/2010

• **Non-teaching Staff**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Joined on</b>	<b>Retired on</b>
1.	Sri Jhantu Biswas	01/09/1979	31/03/2010
2.	Sri Ranjan Basumallick	06/05/1985	31/10/2010
3.	Sri Rabin Mondal	17/01/1976	31/10/2010
4.	Sri Biswanath Prasad	19/04/1968	31/01/2011

**Sports & Games**

The following students were declared the College Champions of the 2010-2011 academic session on the basis of their performance in the college Annual Sports held on 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

- **Boys' Champion** Bhavish Gamage II English (H)
- **Girls' Champion** Yangchenla Bhutia II Political Science (H)  
Tapasree Gupta I Zoology (H)

The following students of the college were declared winners in the various events in the XII Non-Government Athletic Meet held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at the Calcutta University Ground.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Position</b>
Discus Throw	Yangchenla Bhutia	II Pol. Science (H)	1 <sup>st</sup>
800 m Race	Moumita Mondal	I Microbiology (H)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
800 m Race	Tapasree Gupta	1 Zoology (H)	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Shot put	Yangchenla Bhutia	II Pol. Science (H)	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Long Jump	Tapasree Gupta	1 Zoology (H)	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Yangchenla Bhutia and Moumita Mondal will represent North Calcutta District in the State Athletics Meet to be held at Salt Lake Stadium on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2011.

Our college was the runner-up in the Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament held in the Loreto College during January 2011.

- The college has already approached the UGC for a possible assistance of Rs. 30.00 lakhs under its XI<sup>th</sup> Plan for developing the college play ground at 27 East Canal Road.

**Centre for Academic Enrichment and Extension (CAEE)**

The Centre for Academic Enrichment and Extension (CAEE) continue to organise programmes towards academic excellence of the college. The CAEE organised a NAAC-sponsored one-day state-level seminar on "*Challenges in Higher Education*" on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2010. Prof. P.N. Ghosh, the Vice Chancellor of Jadavpur University gave the key-note address. The principals and senior faculty members of several colleges in and around Kolkata attended the programme.

**Talents Beyond Curriculum - Activity Clubs**

The Activity Club of the college, in order to encourage talents beyond curriculum, is in its second year of existence. Prof. Mausumi Manna, assisted by Dr. Geeta Dubey and several other teachers, looks after the Activity Club.

The activities for the current year were inaugurated on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2011 by Sri Lakshman Das Baul of Santi Niketan. Several orientation programmes have been organised by the club during the activity periods on every Tuesday afternoon.

The annual "**Activity Day**" was held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011. The day was dedicated to Rabindranath Tagore on the occasion of his 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary. Competitions were held by the various clubs of the colleges and the winners presented their items at the valedictory function. Sri Jagannath Basu, former student and performing artist of audio theatres, was the Chief Guest.

### **National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit - Important Activities 2010-11**

- Organised a Seminar-cum-Tree Plantation Campaign as a part of Green Campus programme. Resource persons included Sri Nilanjan Mallik, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forest, Unreserved Forest Division, Government of West Bengal and Sri Saurav Chowdhury, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forest, Parks and Garden Circle, Kolkata.
- *Observation of the Commonwealth Games*: Competitions were held on co-curricular activities for students of the college. Prizes and certificates were distributed to the winners by Mr. Nitish Biswas, NSS Programme Coordinator, CU
- Organised "*Dengue and Malaria*" awareness programme in the slum area near Manicktala Canal with the help of B. Ed students. The adopted families of the area were given mosquito nets, detergent, pen, pencil etc.
- Dr. U. N. Nandi and Dr. S. Bhattacharyya and two student-volunteers attended the NSS Foundation Day Lectures by Shri M. Hamid Ansari, Hon'ble Vice President of India at CU.
- Dr. U. N. Nandi was awarded as the Best Programme Officer during "*NSS State Felicitations and Calcutta University NSS Award and Birth Day Celebration of Swami Vivekananda and National Youth Day*" at CU.
- Organised Special Camping programme in the College ground to work in the adopted slum area of Manicktala. Staff of our college gave lectures on various subjects and books were distributed to the families.

### **Medical Facilities**

Medical consultation facility is available for every staff and student of the college on the campus. Dr. Rumaya Papang from the *Leprosy Mission Trust India* hospital, Manicktala, is available on the campus on every Thursday from 1.30 pm. She also attend any medical emergency on the campus.

### **Counselling Cell**

The college opened a general counselling centre for the staff and students of the college in the No.1 Campus in the Teacher Education Building with the help of qualified counsellors from the Aneesha Counselling Centre of the Diocese of Calcutta. Counsellors are available on every Tuesday and Thursday from 1.30 pm. Prof. Chandrima Mitra is in charge of the centre.

### **Placement Cell**

The programmes of the Placement Cell are scheduled to be held on every Tuesday after 3.30 pm.

Contacts were made regularly with reputed company officials to discuss the various openings available in the industry and plan and execute possible campus programmes. As a result, several career-

oriented seminars/workshops/presentation were organised using resource persons from various industries and corporate sectors as listed below.

- HCL-Webel IT Academy
- CII- Suresh Neotia Centre of Excellence for Leadership
- McMillan Publishers India Ltd
- The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI)
- Academy for Clinical Research Training & management
- National Institute of Information Technology (NIIT)
- Institute of Career Development & Research (ICDR)
- Institute of Creative Excellence
- IMS Learning Resources Pvt Ltd
- ISB&M School of Communication
- Institute of Finance, Banking & Insurance (IFBI)

The companies that participated in the off-campus & on-campus recruitment drive during this session are

1. Balmer Lawrie & Co.Ltd (PSU)
2. IBM Daksh Pvt. Ltd
3. Max New York life Insurance Company Ltd
4. India Infoline Pvt Ltd
5. Cipla Ltd
6. HDFC Life

So far, twenty-one students from various departments have been selected in these companies & have been offered lucrative package. Some of the students have already joined & are holding respectable position in the companies.

The “**Calcutta Times Fresh Face Contest - 2010**” was organized by the *Times of India - Calcutta* in collaboration with the Placement Cell on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2010. The contest was conducted for the I year students of all the departments. It was the right platform for the students to showcase their talents and skills. Sixty-five students participated in the event.

### **International Linkages**

- The UBCHEA (United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia) continues to support the college in its developmental process.
  - The UBCHEA has sanctioned a grant of US\$ 13,000.00 for the first year towards the UB Fellow programme 2010-12. Dr. Madhumanjari Modal, Department of Botany, has already joined the University of Valparaiso, Indiana, US, in her first lap of the 8-month leadership training under this programme.
  - The College received a grant of US\$ 2,500.00 from the UBCHEA towards the project, “**Waste disposal management: Towards a Green Campus**”, under the supervision of Dr. Rana Sen, Department of Chemistry. This is the fifth project of the college supported by the UBCHEA since 2006. The project also aims at creating awareness in the area of environmental concerns among the staff and students in the neighbouring institutions.

- The College organised a one-day symposium on Green Campus Initiative for the colleges in and around Kolkata, sponsored by the United Board. Dr. Betty McCann, Vice President for Programmes, UB, Dr. Nirmala Jeyaraj, Programme Coordinator for India Region, UB, and Dr. Alagappa Moses, Head, Department of Environmental Science, Bishop Heber College, Trichi, spoke on the green initiative in various colleges in India.
- The college continues its association with “*Colleges and Universities of Anglican Communion (CUAC)*” based in New York. The President of the College Council and the Principal are invited to attend the CUAC Triennial Conference to be held in the University of Sewanee, US in May/ June 2011.
- The College is also a member of the International Association for the Promotion of Christian Higher Education (IAPCHE). Invited by the Student Christian Movement in India (SCMI) and the National Council of Churches in India (NCCI), the Principal attended the conference of Christian colleges in India, “*Strengthening through Networking*”, held in Colombo from 9 to 12 September 2010.

### **Christian Activities**

The college conducts regular morning worship in the Assembly Hall and Scripture classes at noon every Wednesday. All Christian faculty members of the college are involved in these activities. Prof. Sushreee Mohan coordinates these activities after Dr. Ratna Pande retired from the college on 31 October 2009. Prof. Mohan also looks after the activities of the SCMI (Student Christian Movement of India) with over 50 student members. The college expresses its gratitude to Rev. Argho Biswas, the College Chaplain, for conducting the scripture classes and training the College Choir.

A one-day students’ retreat, “*Living Life in its fullness*” was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2010. Rev. Dr. Sunil Caleb, Principal, Bishop’s College, Rev. Sudipta Nanda, Director of National Fellowship for India, Rev. Dn. Philip Peacock, Assistant Professor, Bishop’s College, Rev. Argha Biswas, the College Chaplain, were the resource persons.

The Annual Christmas Carol was held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010. Rt. Rev. Ashoke Biswas, the Bishop of Calcutta, gave the Christmas message.

### **Construction of new Lady Jane Dundas Hostel**

The construction of the new Lady Jane Dundas Hostel for women, a Rs. 2-crore project, fully sponsored by the UGC, has already been started. The Rt. Rev. Ashoke Biswas, the President of the College Council, laid the “*first brick*” of the new building in a solemn function held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011. The project is expected to be completed by 2012.

### **Obituary**

With deep sorrow, I report the sad demise of Prof. Arindam Ghosh, Department of Chemistry on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2010, Prof. Ashis Kumar Sinha, formerly of Department of Chemistry on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2011 and of Sri Gosto Behra, former electrician of the college on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2011.

## **Conclusion**

I thank the Rt. Rev. Ashoke Biswas, the President, the members of the College Governing Board and the staff members, both teaching and non-teaching, who support the college directly or indirectly to make the academic year a more meaningful one. I would also like to thank the members of the various sub-committees, former students and well-wishers without whose active support the college could not have achieved all its goals.

I also express my sincere gratitude to Dr. Smita Nath, Prof. Monalisa Basu and other members of the subcommittee who silently worked to make this Annual Day happen.

May God bless you all.

**J. Abraham**  
**Principal**