



Activities
2023-2024

Date: 19th September, 2023

Activity: Discussion Forum on Electoral Insights

Objective: The Electoral Literacy Club organized an orientation event aimed at sensitizing college community about importance of elections in any democracy and their role in choosing representatives wisely. The event was a resounding success, attended by enthusiastic students eager to learn about the club and its objectives.

Event Highlights:

Opening:

Before the discussion took its course, an informative video was shown to the attending students about the election process in India. The video covered the intricacies of the election process, the participation of citizens, and the involvement of the Election Commission in streamlining the process of conducting the elections. This video served as the perfect window into the event that followed, providing the attendees with a sense of information and knowledge about being educated as an aware voter.

Presentation:

The Discussion Forum commenced with an informative presentation that provided a comprehensive overview of the Electoral Literacy Club. Palak Sharma, President of the ELC, took the stage and eloquently explained the club's purpose and mission, assisted by the Secretary of ELC, Priya Bhaskar. She highlighted the significance of electoral literacy and its role in promoting active citizenship among the youth.

Interactive Quiz:

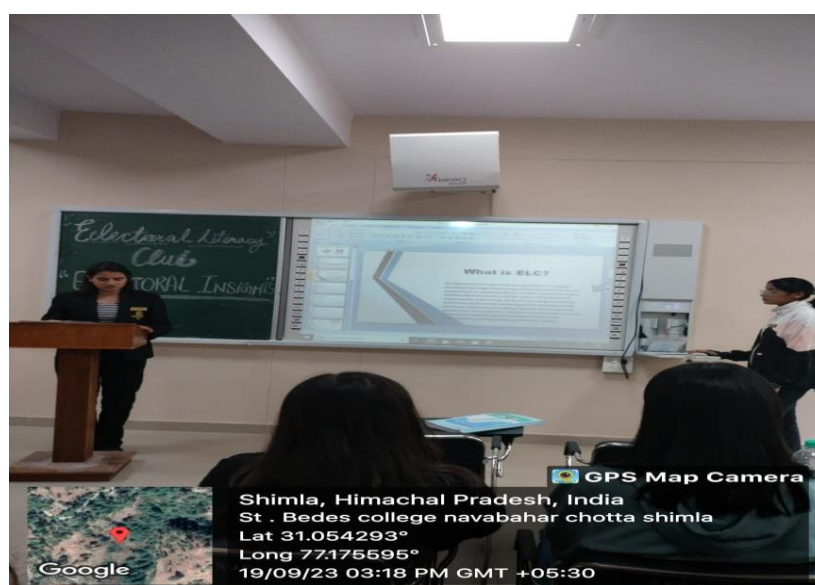
To gauge the knowledge and engagement of the participants, an interactive quiz was conducted. It covered topics related to elections, voter rights, basic democratic and constitutional structure, and the significance of participating in the electoral process. The first-year students participated with great enthusiasm, showcasing their eagerness to learn and engage with the subject matter.



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Outcome:

The Electoral Literacy Club's "Discussion Forum on Electoral Rights" event at St. Bede's College was a remarkable success. It achieved its primary goal of introducing the club to new students and educating them about the importance of electoral literacy. The dedication of the leadership team and the active participation of the students bode well for the future of the club. The event concluded on a positive note, with students expressing their eagerness to actively engage with the club's activities and contribute to the promotion of electoral literacy within the college and the broader community.



Interactive session, "Discussion Forum on Electoral Insights"



DECLAMATION COMPETITION

7th October, 2023

Theme: "Fake News and its Impact on Elections: A Call for Media Literacy"

Objective: To spread an awareness about the influence of fake news on elections, the Electoral Literacy Club organized an insightful event within the college on the 7th of October 2023.

Description: This intellectually stimulating activity explored the contemporary discourse about how to equip educators to address the pressing issue of unethical approach being used by different agencies, political parties and individuals for their self-interests. The approach encompassed strategies for discerning fake news (i.e., news literacy) and critically analyzing media content. The students ventured into more profound perspectives by examining media engagement within the broader framework of media ecology.

The event was graced by enthusiastic participation from talented students hailing from various academic disciplines. The following participants presented their viewpoints.

The distinguished panel of judges included:

- Dr. Ramesh, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
- Ms. Snigdha, Assistant Professor, Department of English

Outcome: The event concluded on a positive note, leaving everyone with a deep appreciation for the thought-provoking discourse and importance of content analysis before trusting and spreading any fake news.





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Declamation Competition on Fake News and its Impact on Elections: A Call for Media Literacy"



Slogan Writing Competition

Date: 21st October, 2023

Theme: "Informed minds, engaged citizens: Electoral Literacy for a vibrant Democracy"

Objective: A Slogan Writing Competition under the aegis of the Electoral Literacy Club was organized by the club's convener to foster an awareness and understanding of electoral literacy among the students.

Event Overview:

The competition unfolded with enthusiastic participation from six talented individuals: Shruti, Priya Bhaskar, Dipti, Anandita, Abharika Badhwar, and Meenakshi. Each participant was given the task of creating a compelling slogan that reflected the theme, "Informed minds, engaged citizens: Electoral literacy for a vibrant democracy."

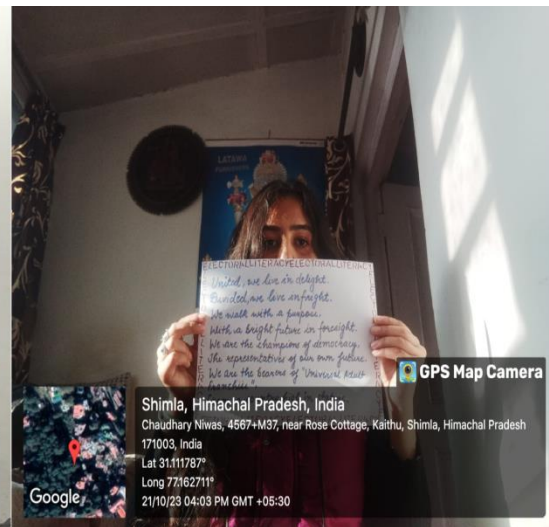
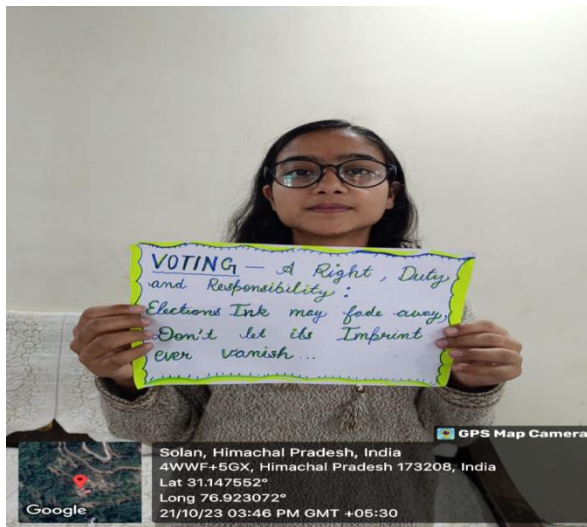
Submission Process:

The participants were asked to submit their slogans to the President and Secretary of the Electoral Literacy Club. This ensured a fair and transparent evaluation process. The submissions were judged not only on creativity but also on their ability to convey the essence of the theme and promote electoral literacy.

Winner Announcement:

After careful consideration, Anandita was announced as the winner of the Slogan Writing competition. Her slogan not only encapsulated the essence of the theme but also demonstrated a deep understanding of the importance of an informed electorate in maintaining a vibrant democracy.

Outcome: The Slogan Writing Competition provided a platform for students to express their thoughts on electoral literacy. The event successfully achieved its objective of promoting an awareness and engaging the student community in discussions related to the electoral process.



Slogan Writing Competition



Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas Extravaganza by St. Bede's College

Date: December 11, 2023

Time: 11:40 am - 2:30 pm

Artful Dialogues: Exploring Language through Art

St. Bede's College illuminated the spirit of linguistic diversity on December 11, 2023, through a splendid celebration of Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas. This vibrant event, orchestrated by the Electoral Literacy Club (ELC), unfolded as a captivating spectacle, emphasizing the beauty and significance of India's myriad languages and cultures.

Central to the festivities was the enthralling language and art exhibition board, a masterpiece conceived and executed by the ELC. This interactive showcase emerged as a visual symphony, harmonizing the diverse linguistic threads that form the cultural fabric of our nation.

The exhibition board, a meticulous blend of aesthetics and information, functioned as a dynamic panorama of linguistic richness. Each facet of the board delineated the script, literary treasures, and cultural nuances embedded within various languages, offering a profound exploration of India's linguistic heritage.

In summation, St. Bede's College, under the auspices of the Electoral Literacy Club, celebrated Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas with unparalleled zeal and creativity. The language and art exhibition board, a testament to ELC's dedication, not only showcased the linguistic diversity of India but also underscored the college's commitment to nurturing an enlightened and culturally aware community.





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ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB
in Collaboration with
MUN SOCIETY
is Celebrating
BHARTIYA BHASHA DIWAS
"Artful Dialogue: Exploring Language through Art"

DATE : 11 th , December 2023
Venue: **COURTYARD**
Timings: 11:30 A.M ONWARDS



Artful Dialogues: Exploring Language through Art, Bhartiya Bhasha Diwas



Anecdote Narration Competition

Date: 16 December, 2023

Theme: "Electoral Echoes: Stories that Count"

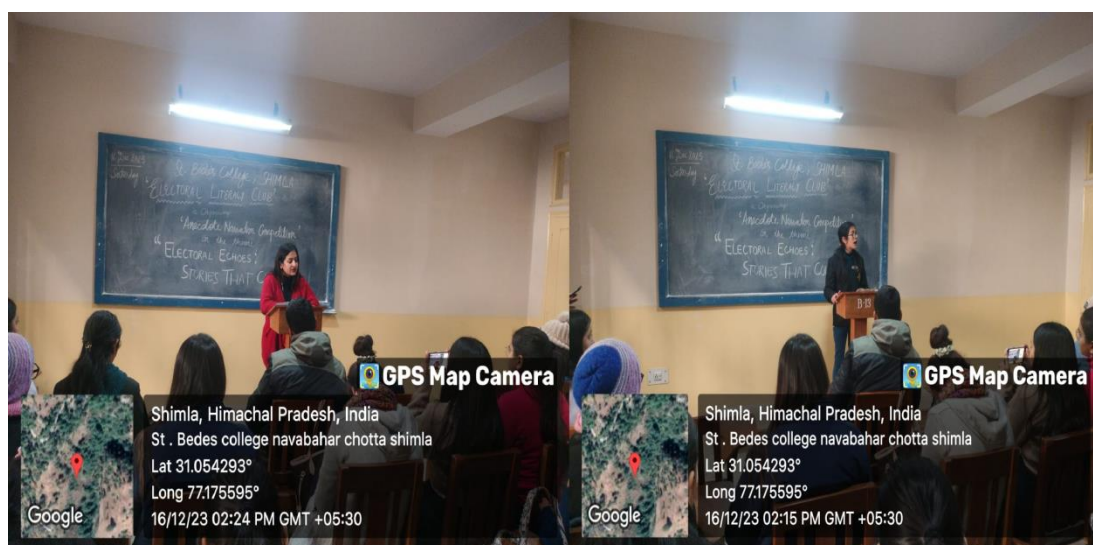
Objective: To amplify the democratic awareness, Electoral Literacy Club of St. Bede's College orchestrated a remarkable event titled "Electoral Echoes: Stories That Count" providing a platform for participants to share their insights on electoral experiences and method to register in electoral rolls .

Description: The ELC's commitment to foster electoral literacy was exemplified by the active involvement of its President, Palak Sharma, and Secretary, Priya Bhaskar who took center stage to sensitively enlighten the audience about the intricate processes involved in elections, urging students to actively engage in the electoral and enrolling procedures.

The participants enthusiastically narrated First-time voters' experiences through poetry, discourse and speeches which amazed the audience and inspired them to actively participate in elections.

With a drumroll of anticipation, the result was announced and Shruti (BA 3rd year) emerged as a winner.

Outcome: "The Electoral Echoes: Stories that Count" served as a testament to the ELC's dedication to nurturing informed and responsible citizens, and making a positive impact on the college community. The event concluded with a renewed sense of purpose, a promise to carry these "Electoral Echoes" beyond the walls of St. Bede's, ensuring that every vote counts, every story matters, and every voice finds its echo in a vibrant, participatory democracy.





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Anecdote narration on "Electoral Echoes: Stories that Count"



Electoral Enrolment Camp

On March 16, 2024 the Electoral Literacy Club of St. Bede's College organized a special campaign on “**Greater Participation for a Stronger Democracy**” in collaboration with the Department of Political Science to motivate our students (who have attained age of 18 years) to enroll themselves in the electoral rolls.

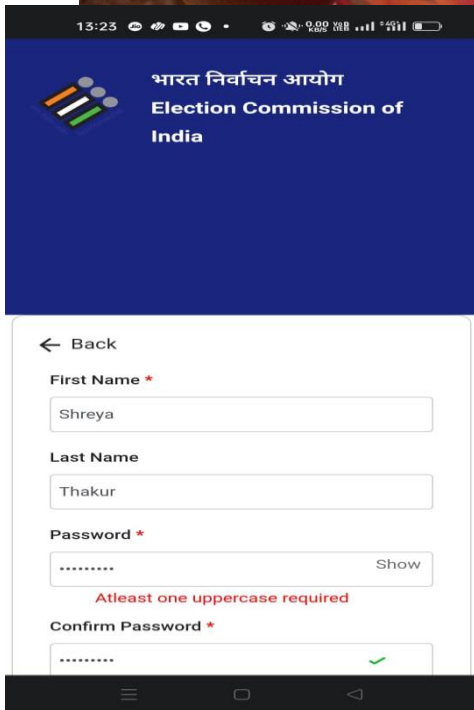
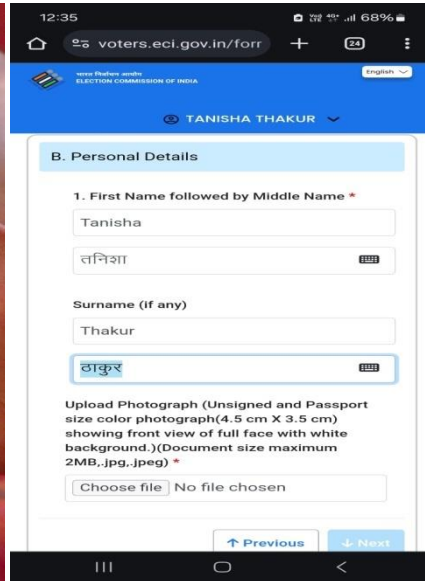
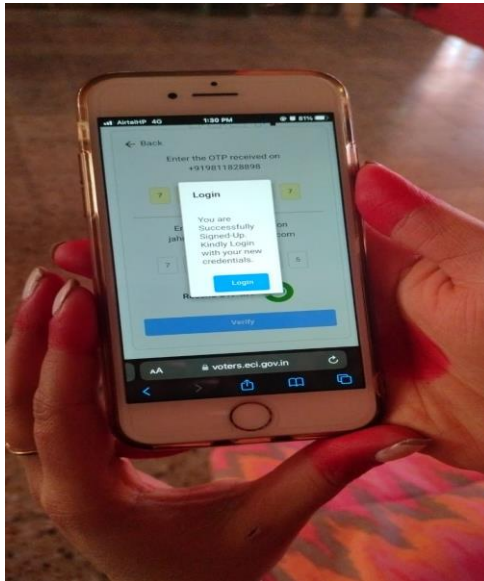
Description: The students were made to participate in a mock voting process and were sensitized to join the campaign of “Chunav Ka Parv”. A photography booth/ Corner was also set up to aware students about their political responsibilities. Mr. Anil Kumar Chauhan, (BLO 63/70 Shimla Urban) met and spoke to the students, sensitizing them about role of youth in making democracy stronger. Electoral Literacy Club Nodal Officer, Ms. Komal Sharma explicitly guided the students to fill Form No. 6 by visiting Voters Service Portal to enroll themselves as registered voters.

Outcome: More than fifteen students registered themselves there and then whereas many others were asked to register themselves further. The program ended on a successful note complying to the directions from State Election Commission, Himachal Pradesh.





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Electoral Enrollment Camp, March 16, 2024