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### Society Annual Report

#### Society Activities

**Society: Vivekananda Society**

**Year: 2023-24**

#### **Student Office Bearers:**

President - Ms. Manisha Meena

Vice President – Ms. Ankita Vijay

General Secretary - Ms. Komal Charan

Treasurer- Ms. Akanksha Tiwari

#### **Staff Advisors:**

Convenor- Dr. Shweta

Faculty Advisors- Dr. Pratibha Sharma

Dr. Simmi Valechha

Dr. Tarang Kapoor

#### **Part A.1**

#### **Events/Seminars/conferences/workshops/Extension Activities organized**

### **1.Celebration Of Universal Brotherhood Day: Commemorating Swami Vivekananda's Chicago Address**



Vivekananda Society observed the Universal Brotherhood Day ( UBD) on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023. A speaker session on **Vivekvaani: Steering Vedanta for Global consciousness** by Swami Nityadipananda, an esteemed representative of



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the Ramakrishna Ashram, New Delhi was organised on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Swami Nityadipananda emphasised the role of Advaita Vedanta in making global consciousness a tangible reality rather than a lofty ideal. He also articulated the key contributions of Swami Vivekananda in this regard.

**Event highlights:** The event commenced with Deep Prajwalan and Saraswati Vandana followed by the keynote address. The celebration concluded with a Ram Stuti.





## VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY


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brings you a session on


**VivekVaani-Steering Vedanta for Global  
Consciousness**

**DATE**  
FRIDAY 15, SEPTEMBER

**TIME**  
12:30 PM TO 2 PM

**VENUE**  
SEMINAR HALL

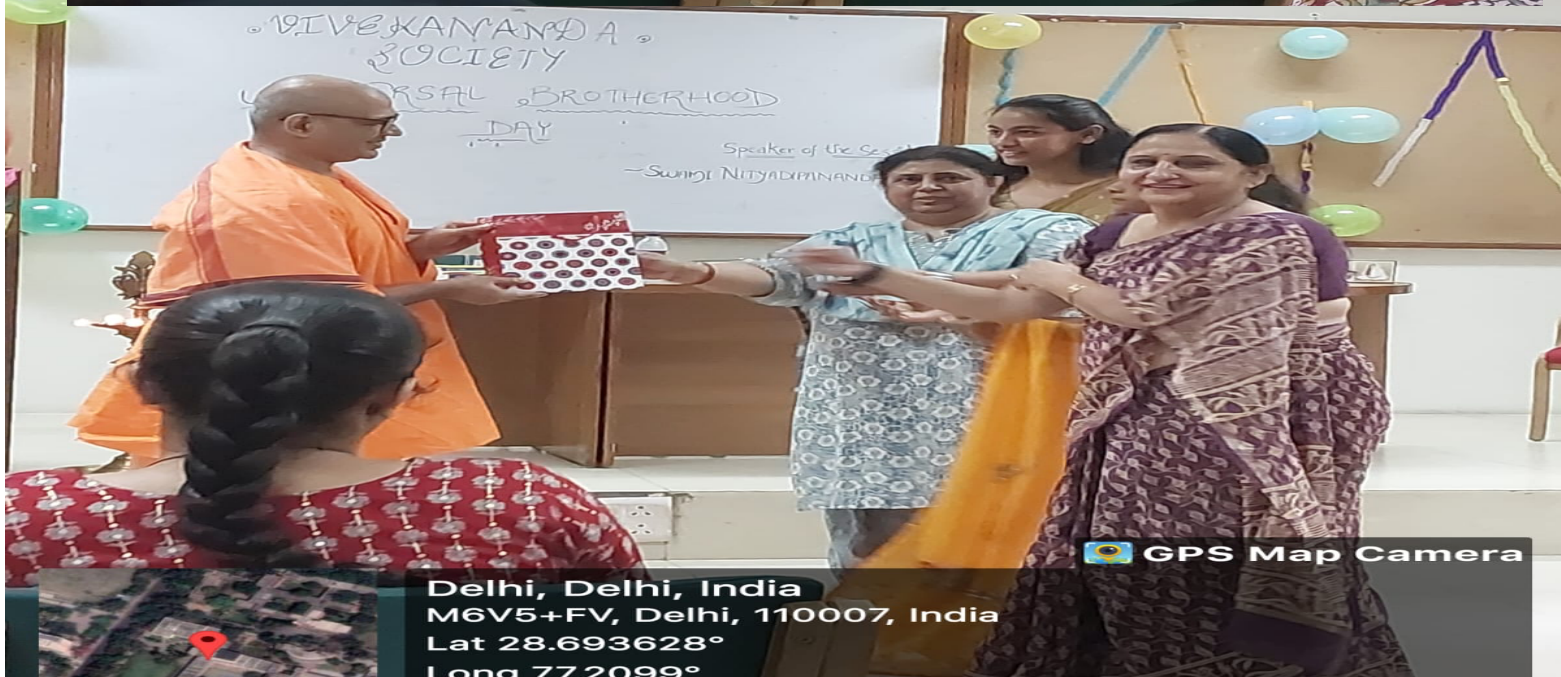
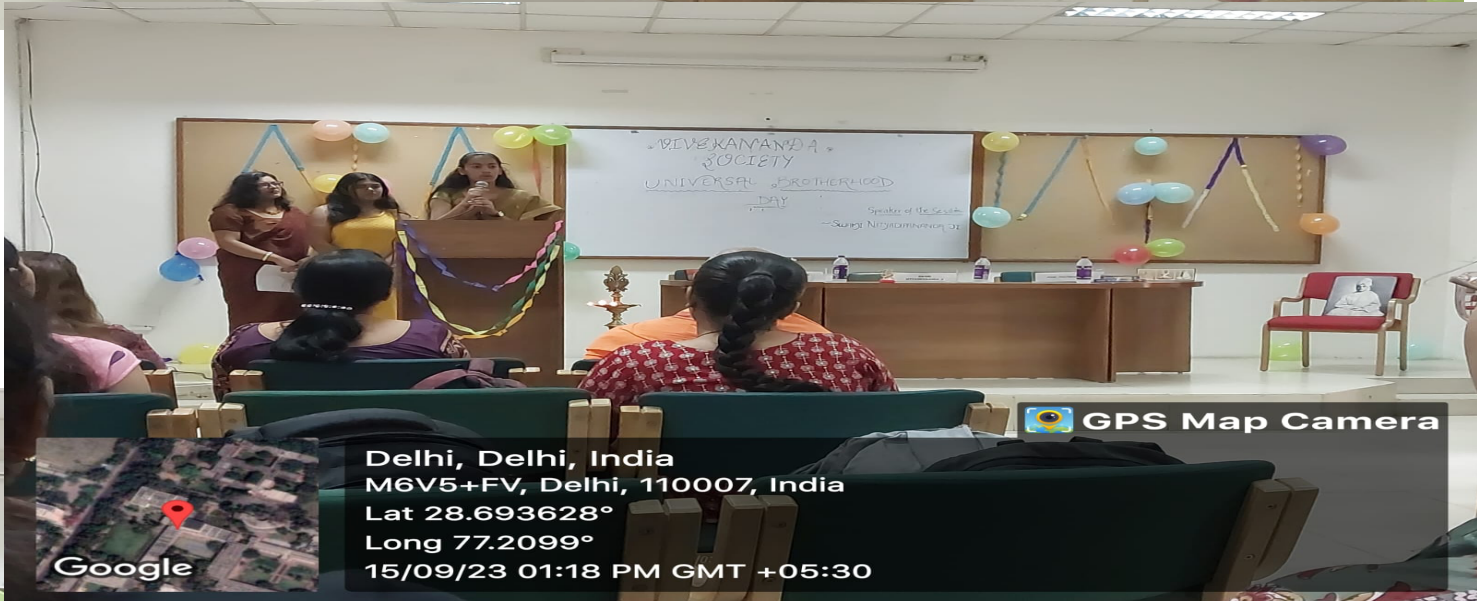
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**Speaker: Swami Nityadipananda**  
**Ramakrishna Mission Math, Delhi**



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## 2. An excursion to the Ramakrishna Ashram, New Delhi

The Vivekananda Society undertook a student visit to Ramakrishna Ashram New Delhi with an objective to familiarise students to the ethos of Swami Vivekananda and Vedanta on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023. Students were accompanied by Dr. Pratibha Sharma, Dr. Shweta and Dr. Tarang Kapoor.

The visit involved:

1. Paying obeisance at the temple
2. A visit to the bookstore
3. An enthralling exhibition







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### **4. Participation in Youth Colloquium on Swami Vivekananda and Mahatma Gandhi on “Volunteerism: Encouraging Youth Volunteering for Nation building”**

Vivekananda Society, Miranda House in collaboration with Gandhi Study Circle, Miranda House actively participated in a Youth colloquium on Swami Vivekananda and Mahatma Gandhi on “Volunteerism: Encouraging Youth Volunteering for Nation building” organised by Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024. The colloquium was conducted to mark the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda as celebration of National Youth Day at Gandhi Smriti. The event highlighted Gandhi and Vivekananda had put into strengthening of the nation and youth at large. It emphasised that both of them had encouraged young people across the country to take to volunteering through a spirit of seva for community and nation building.

The opening of the colloquium was marked by a welcoming note from Dr. Vedabhyas Kundu, Programming Officer at Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti. It was followed by the opening Speech by Dr. Jwala Prasad, Director of Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti. A Bhajan presented by Swami Ji enlightened the environment.

Following this, students from schools and colleges across Delhi shared with the audience, their practical experiences of the volunteering work they are doing, the possible impact it is making in the community and how they are motivating others to volunteer. Komal Charan, General Secretary of Vivekananda Society and Medha Tiwari, a member of Vivekananda Society presented their experiences of volunteerism within the society and also around them. Ishita Praveen and Sharanika Reddy, the President and Vice President of Gandhi Study Circle, Miranda House including the Editorial Head Chityala Akhila also talked about how they have been nurturing youth building process in their college campus and in society at large.





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The colloquium ended with a fulfilling lunch organised by Gandhi Smriti and an interactive session at lunch with Dr. Kundu added an insightful flavour to the event.



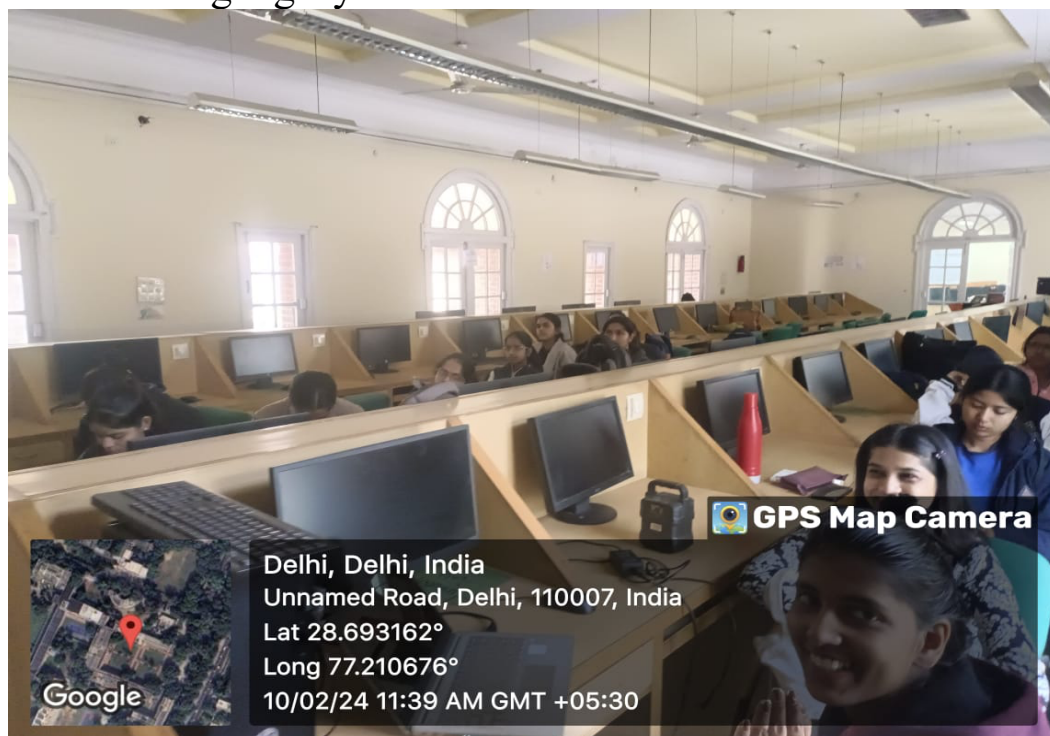


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## 5. A Biopic Movie Screening on Swami Vivekananda

Vivekananda Society organized a film screening, celebrating the luminary's biopic published by Ramkrishna Math, Chennai, titled “**Vivekananda by Vivekananda**” on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2024. Enthusiasts gathered, eager to delve into his profound journey. Through vivid imagery and stirring narratives, the movie painted a vibrant portrait of his life, inspiring everyone with his timeless wisdom and enduring legacy.







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## 6. An Extempore on Swami Vivekananda's Biopic

Vivekananda Society, post movie-screening on 10 February 2024, organised an extempore for the audience based on the Swami Vivekananda's biopic. Participants were given 1.5 minutes to express their takeaways from the movie and were adjudicated by Dr. Rohit Rai. The movie screening was followed by discussions, inspired by Vivekananda's timeless wisdom. The event served as a testament to the enduring relevance of his teachings and ideals in today's world. Winners of the competition were,

- Ms. Shifa, first position
- Ms. Unnati, second position
- Ms. Nandini, third position



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## 6. Thematic series : Karmasheel: Youth in Action, Youth for Nation

**Objective of the series** – To invite public servants, social entrepreneurs, activists and people who have made a difference to the society through their inspiring deeds and actions.

**1<sup>st</sup> Session:** Panel discussion with Dr. Mayur Hazarika

**Date:** 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2024





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**Day :** Saturday

Volunteers- 15+ Audience – 90+

Venue – Seminar Hall

Time of the event – 11:30 am onwards

Objective of the event: To solve a mysterious conundrum called UPSC CSE

Anchor of the event: Ms. Avani Khulbe

Moderators of the event: Ms. Kirti, Ms. Nandini , Ms. Unnati and Ms. Shikha

The Vivekananda Society of Miranda House college organised a talk session with Dr. Mayur Hazarika (UPSC CSE'22 AIR 5) on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 in the seminar hall. The chief guest was felicitated with a bouquet presented by Ms. Ankita and the Union members. An Assamese Gamcha, Gamusa was offered to him by Ms. Komal Charan as a token of warmth. The esteemed guest was introduced to the audience by Ms. Dakshi. The speaker session was moderated by Ms. Kirti, Ms. Nandini, Ms. Unnati and Ms. Shikha. The discussion revolved around preparation strategy, motivation, mind set, exam requirements with special focus on the preparation journey of the esteemed chief guest. After the discussion, Dr. Mayur Hazarika patiently answered relevant queries from students. Ms. Akansha delivered the vote of thanks.





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### VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY MIRANDA HOUSE



Under the thematic series

**Karmsheel: Youth in Action, Youth for Nation**

Presents

**A chat session with Dr. Mayur Hazarika**



**SATURDAY**  
24 FEBRUARY 2024



**TIME**  
11:30 AM  
ONWARDS



**VENUE**  
SEMINAR HALL

#### Takeways from the talk

- Comprehensive preparation strategy
- Optimum mindset and motivation
- Contextualised for college students



**Dr. Mayur Hazarika**  
(IFS batch 2023, UPSC CSE  
AIR-05, First Attempt)

**Register now**



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### **7. Speaker Session on “Access to Justice: An Imperative for Viksit Bharat”**

Vivekananda Society, in collaboration with the Legal Aid Centre, Miranda House organised an enlightening session with Mr. Pawan Reley, Advocate on Record Supreme Court of India on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2024. Mr. Reley is a distinguished legal expert, Advocate -on- record, Supreme Court of India, TEDx speaker and Atal Awardee (2023). The event was held at the Student Activity Centre and drew a diverse crowd of legal enthusiasts eager to hear from the acclaimed Advocate-on-record. The session commenced with the auspicious lighting of lamp by the guest speaker and faculty members.

The session aimed to delve into the challenges and opportunities surrounding equitable access to legal services. Mr. Reley began the session by recounting the story of a Prince to elucidate the concept of justice. He highlighted three key aspects: the significance of sharing resources, addressing the needs of every individual, and ensuring fairness based on merit. Through various anecdotes, including one about an elderly woman, Mr. Reley demonstrated how access to justice can be achieved by sharing his profound insights into the complexities of the justice system and emphasized the importance of empowering marginalized communities through legal aid and advocacy. Mr. Reley captivated the audience with his articulate explanation of the importance of Access to Justice, skilfully weaving in compelling narratives to resonate with attendees, many of whom lacked a legal background. Despite this, engagement remained high, evidenced by the steady flow of questions from the audience. Advocate Mr. Pawan Reley's expertise and the active participation of stakeholders underscored the importance of collective action in promoting a more inclusive and accessible legal system. The session provided a platform for various stakeholders to discuss strategies for enhancing access to justice for all individuals, regardless of socio-economic background.



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*in collaboration with*



## THE LEGAL AID CENTRE

### Miranda House

*presents*

### A Session with Supreme Court Advocate

*on*

# ACCESS TO JUSTICE

### Imperative for Viksit Bharat



**MR. PAWAN RELEY**  
(SPEAKER)



21 March, 2024



2:00 pm



Student Activity Centre

### About the speaker

- Advocate -on - record , Supreme Court of India
- TedX Speaker
- Atal Samman Awardee, 2023

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# ***YOUTHSAV'24***

## **Annual Fest of Vivekananda Society, Miranda House**

Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024 – 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Venue: Miranda House Campus

“Youthsav’24” marked yet another successful edition of the annual fest organized by the Vivekananda Society of Miranda House. The event, spanning two days from 23<sup>rd</sup> April to 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024, brought together students, faculty, and guests for a celebration of youth, talent, and creativity.

### **Day 1 Highlights**

A notable feature of the event was that it was sponsored by Vision IAS and there was an inclusion of Pratispardha, Knowledge Test conducted by Vision IAS. Students actively participated in the test.

The top-performing students, who displayed exceptional skills and secured leading positions, were selected to represent the college at the inter-college level of the Knowledge Test.

This initiative was highly beneficial for all participants, as it provided a platform to enhance their knowledge, boost confidence, and hone their competitive skills.

The essay writing encouraged analytical and writing abilities, while the quiz fostered quick thinking and teamwork. Overall, the event was instrumental in promoting a culture of learning and intellectual growth within the college.





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### DAY 2 Highlights:

On 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024, the second day of “Youthsav’24” commenced with an enriching interactive Session aimed at fostering intellectual growth and holistic development. Esteemed guest speakers, B.K. Thara, a respected Rajyoga Teacher at Kingsway Camp, and Mr. Mohit Gaur, the co-founder and CEO of SGEG Technologies, graced the event. The session began with the traditional lighting of The lamp, accompanied by a soulful Saraswati Vandana, symbolizing the pursuit of wisdom and knowledge. Dr. Shweta, the convener, and Dr. Tarang Kapoor, the honorable faculty adviser, felicitated the esteemed speakers and acknowledged their invaluable contributions to the event. during the interactive session, B.K. Thara addressed the topic of “Overcoming Examination Fear,” fostering meaningful dialogue and exchange of ideas among participants. Meanwhile, Mr. Mohit Gaur elaborated on “Viksit Bharat and Opportunities for Youth”.



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The excitement continued with the spotlight on artistic expression and spontaneous eloquence, organised in the Student Activity Centre in the afternoon. Despite the heat, students turned up in huge numbers. The poster-making competition provided a platform for students to showcase their creativity and convey meaningful messages through visual art. The themes ranged from social issues to environmental conservation, reflecting the diverse concerns of today's youth.

simultaneously, the extempore competition tested participants' ability to think on their feet and articulate their thoughts coherently under pressure. Contestants rose to the challenge, delivering compelling speeches on a variety of topics, captivating the audience with their oratorical skills.

The fest culminated with the announcement of winners, recognizing exemplary talent and effort across both competitions:

### **Extempore Competition:**

- Winner: Pakhi Dixit
- Runner Up: Vanshika Bhumla

### **Poster Making Competition:**

- Winner: Anvesha Singh
- Runner Up: Harshita Singh





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“Youthsav’24” exemplified the vibrancy and dynamism of the Vivekananda Society of Miranda House, serving as a testament to the creative prowess and intellectual acumen of its members through a blend of academic, artistic, and cultural activities, the fest fostered a spirit of camaraderie and innovation, inspiring participants to strive for excellence in all their endeavours.

### **Part A.2**

#### **Awards and recognition received**