# The Annual Report of XITE College, Gamharia (2024-25)

#### Academic

The academic year commenced on June 12, 2024, following the summer vacation. Due to a persistent heatwave, the college transitioned to online classes from June 18 to 22, resuming physical classes thereafter. To support students from vernacular backgrounds, spoken English classes for freshers were conducted from July 1 to 20, followed by an orientation program from July 23 to 30, after which regular classes began. After receiving autonomous status from the UGC and approval from Kolhan University, XITE College began functioning as an autonomous institution, preparing and approving syllabi through the Board of Studies (BoS) of various departments. The Academic Council approved the syllabus in its first meeting on October 23, 2024.

On January 13, 2025, the college inaugurated the Student Resource Centre (SRC), a dedicated space to foster academic excellence and personal growth. The first-semester results for the autonomous batch were announced on March 10, 2025. In April, all departments conducted their Board of Studies meetings in hybrid mode to ensure academic rigor and planning. The Academic Council held its second meeting on April 16, 2025, to discuss curriculum and institutional governance. The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) convened on May 5, 2025, to discuss quality enhancement initiatives, followed by the Governing Body (GB) meeting on May 7, 2025, to review institutional progress and plans. The autonomous batch wrote their second-semester examinations from May 19 to 29, 2025.

### **Faculty Development Programme**

On September 26, 2024, SJCC, Bangalore, delivered a valuable training program focused on the operations of an autonomous college. Most of the faculty members (individually) did various online faculty development programmes such as SWAYAM during academic year.

## **Seminars/Conferences**

On June 24, 2024, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) held a meeting to gather expert opinions from its members. In observance of Anti-Drug Week, the college hosted a guest lecture by Jhumpa Mukherjee on active living on June 26, 2024. The Department of Commerce conducted a workshop on National Commerce Day on August 5, 2024. From August 12 to 14, 2024, a workshop on "Gender Budgeting" was held, sponsored by the Ministry of Child and Women, Government of India. The Literary Club organized a folk-tale-sharing competition, which saw enthusiastic participation from students. On September 13, 2024, students gained valuable insights from a workshop on Design Thinking led by Shraddha Agarwal, followed by a session on "Mind Matters" with Dr. Saroj Dubey on September 14, 2024. The Economics Department organized a debate on "The Impact of 5G on the World Economy" on November 18, 2024. On March 5, 2025, the Anti-Sexual Harassment Cell, in collaboration with the Koru Foundation, hosted a session on "Menstrual Health and Hygiene," while the Department of Economics held a debate on globalization. On March 6, 2025, the Department of Commerce showcased third-year students' entrepreneurial spirit through "Innovative Business Ideas." Dr. Ing Jeoraj delivered a session on water conservation for World Water Day on March 19, 2025. Prof. Sushmita led a cybersecurity session on March 21, 2025, and the Department of Economics concluded the month with a session on "Decoding the Union Budget" on March 25, 2025.

# Achievements/Recognition

On August 23, 2024, Mukti presented a paper on "Environmental Justice" in Lassalle-Institute, Switzerland. The college secured second position in an inter-college quiz competition organized by JHESA on September 7, 2024. On January 16, 2025, the inspection team from Kolhan University visited to discuss the extension of affiliations for existing courses. The colleges futsal team won first place in the Yi Yuva Futsal Match held from January 23 to 25, 2025. On March 20, 2025, the principal of XITE Gamharia was selected as a member of the Jharkhand State Higher Education Council.

## **Collaboration & Networking**

From September 3, 2024, the college launched a residential training program on entrepreneurial development for selected individuals from Basahatu village under the DST project. In collaboration with Nirmala College, Ranchi, and others, a financial literacy session was conducted under an MoU. On October 28, 2024, fourth-semester BBA students, led by Prof. Naval, participated in a cleanliness drive in a nearby village under the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. On January 5, 2025, a few selected students participated in the Yi Road Safety Bike Rally to promote road safety awareness. An industrial visit to Sudha Dairy, Adityapur, was organized on March 7, 2025, for students across all year groups.

### **Celebrations**

The college celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius on July 30, 2024. Freshers Day was observed on August 7, 2024, followed by World Indigenous Day on August 10, 2024. The Annual Sports Day was held on November 23, 2024. Patrons Day was celebrated on December 2, 2024. On December 12, 2024, students participated in a Youth Sports event in Seraikela. A grand Christmas celebration took place on the evening of December 21, 2024. Hostel students enjoyed a picnic on January 19, 2025. In the May Day celebration on May 1, 2025, Br. Amalraj, the administrator, honoured support staff with gifts for their dedicated service.

#### Farewell

A heartfelt farewell was organized for third-year students on July 16, 2024, followed by a separate farewell for hostel students on July 17, 2024. On August 25, 2024, Sr. Archana, CTC, who served as Hostel Superintendent for three years, was given a fond farewell, and Sr. Nivedita, CTC, was warmly welcomed by hostel students. On May 3, 2025, a farewell was held for Fr. Mukti, who bid adieu to the hostel, college, and community.

## **Competitions**

On July 3, 2024, the sports club organized a video game competition. On October 30, 2024, the college hosted the Flame Fiesta, featuring competitions like Rangoli making, Diya painting, and Mehendi design. A badminton tournament across various categories was held during the first week of October 2024. On December 17, 2024, students participated in the JMA competition, winning prizes and bringing honour to the college. Vishwa Hindi Diwas was celebrated on January 23, 2025, with officials from the Bank of India felicitating students for their achievements. International Women's Day celebrations from March 3 to 8, 2025, included a street play, poem recitation, quiz, and fancy-dress competition. The Sports Club conducted final matches for football, basketball, throwball and volleyball for both boys and girls from March 17 to 22, 2025.

#### **NSS**

The Department of NSS observed International Yoga Day on June 21, 2024, emphasizing physical and mental well-being. On October 28, December 11 & 17, 2024, and February 10 and 13, 2025, the NSS coordinator led students to villages (Kalikapur, Pindrebera, Chota Gamharia, Mohanpur, & Uperberda) as part of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.

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