



# IQAC e-NEWSLETTER

## VASANTA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

*Admitted to the Privileges of Banaras Hindu University  
Krishnamurti Foundation India, Rajghat Fort, Varanasi (U.P.) 221001*



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### About IQAC

Established in 2005 under the guidance and regulations of the University Grants Commission (UGC), the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Vasanta College for Women, Krishnamurti Foundation India, Rajghat Fort, Varanasi, admitted to the Privileges of Banaras Hindu University is dedicated to nurturing a culture of continuous improvement, academic excellence and quality assurance. Its commitment to delivering high-quality education aligns with global standards, ensuring a dynamic and enriching learning environment for the students.

### About College

Vasanta College for Women is one of the oldest colleges of Varanasi (estd. 1913), admitted to the privileges of Banaras Hindu University and runs under the aegis of Krishnamurti Foundation India, a world renowned foundation devoted to the cause of education. The college solemnizes the confluence of visionary ideals and objectives of Dr. Annie Besant, Shri Jiddu Krishnamurti and Bharat Ratna Pt. Madan Mohan Malviya, maintaining its rich legacy for more than a hundred years. The college is recognized by UGC under section 2(f) and 12B of the UGC Act, 1956. Students from various states like Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Himanchal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Ladakh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana, Uttarakhand and West Bengal benefit from the educational facilities provided by the college. The current student strength is more than 3000.

### Message by Principal & Chairperson



**Prof. Alka Singh**  
Principal, VCW

The Indian Education landscape is one of opportunities and challenges but the rapidly changing socio-economic scenario is a mismatch to meet the requirements of the students' fraternity. In order to attain the desired requirement the students have to be ushered out of their comfort zone and the College through the IQAC epitomizes the fact that success is a journey and not a destination. Equipped with knowledge accrued over the years the students march forward on paths untrodden fearlessly which involves courage and imagination both. They break away from concepts that are borne out of a conditioning to look at things as they are, to live in the moment, to believe that they are equipped with skills to enrich and empower themselves. For the IQAC, it is a continuous exercise to inspire and motivate students, faculty and all workers to move forward in a quest for nothing better than the best. I congratulate the entire team of IQAC for their untiring zeal to create an ambience that has the possibility of seeing things through one's own observation and a belief to move beyond the narrow confines of ones' particular interests to delve into the purity of compassion & humanity. I am extremely grateful to our external members of the IQAC team whose very presence saturates the teaching-learning environment. The support of the Management fortifies each and every endeavor. I look forward to another enriching academic session.

### Message by Manager (External Member, IQAC)



**Sri S. N. Dubey**  
Manager, VCW

It gives me immense pleasure to know that the IQAC, Vasanta College for Women is bringing out its e-Newsletter for the first time so that it may reach out to a large number of people. Set up in the year 2005 and functioning as a key role player in preparation, planning, maintenance and improvement in the academic welfare and quality enhancement functions in the College, it has come a long way and has become an intrinsic part of the functioning of the College. The e-Newsletter will make the academic world and the alumnae aware of its efforts in developing quality parameters for academic and administrative processes, monitoring and evaluation, identifying areas for improvement and recommend corrective action and lastly promoting best practices and approaches to teaching, learning and research that has been taking place in the College over the years. I want to congratulate the faculty members engaged in the preparation of this e-Newsletter and want to wish them success in their endeavor.



## Message by External Members



**Prof. Harikesh Singh**  
Former Vice Chancellor  
J. P. University, Chhapra

It is indeed a reality that **Vasanta College for Women, Rajghat Fort, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh**, admitted to the privilege of the great university of Asia, is a premier institution of higher education and duly assessed and accredited grade A+ by the NAAC.

It has maintained its repute for providing quality education including value oriented activities and ambience on the bank of the Ganges being managed by the Krishnamurti Foundation of India.

The IQAC of this college has been feeling the need of publication a News Bulletin for facilitating the sharing of achievements and performances of all the cross- sections of the Vasanta Family. It is worth mentioning that this has come to reality very timely. Professor (Dr.)Alka Singh, Principal and Chairman of the IQAC deserves applause for this academic venture.

Wish and hope that this News Bulletin will certainly serve the purposes excellently as envisaged by the IQAC .



**Mr. Peeyush Pahade**  
Head, Dept. of Zoology,  
President, IQAC Cluster India

Established in 1913 by the visionary Dr. Annie Besant, Vasanta College for Women has been a cornerstone of transformative education, blending academic rigour with cultural values. Affiliated with Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and guided by the Krishnamurti Foundation India, the institution is led by Dr. Alka Singh, fostering holistic development and leadership among its students.

Renowned for its rich heritage, the college offers diverse academic programs complemented by cutting-edge initiatives, such as the Digishakti Portal, which enhances digital accessibility, and the Annie Besant Centre for Skill Development, which empowers students with career-ready training in entrepreneurship and soft skills. Its commitment to sustainability and quality education is further underscored by its ISO 14001:2015 certification.

The college continues to expand its academic horizons with the introduction of new postgraduate programs in Urdu, Sanskrit, and Philosophy, broadening opportunities for intellectual growth. Recent milestones include the successful hosting of an international seminar on holistic and inclusive education, fostering global academic dialogue, and the distribution of smartphones and tablets to students under the Digishakti initiative, ensuring equitable access to digital learning.

As an External Representative of the IQAC, I deeply value the institution's collaborative ethos, where faculty and students engage in enriching, purpose-driven learning. Our IQAC discussions consistently contribute to institutional progress,

reinforcing Vasanta College's unwavering dedication to excellence. Best compliments to the IQAC and the college in general. I wish Vasanta College continued success in shaping empowered, enlightened leaders.



**Dr. Mahesh Sharma**  
Coordinator, IQAC  
Central Institute of Higher  
Tibetan Studies, Sarnath,  
Varanasi

On behalf of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, it is with immense pleasure and admiration that we extend our warmest congratulations to Vasanta College for Women on the momentous occasion of launching the first edition of IQAC e-newsletter.

This milestone not only symbolizes a noteworthy achievement in the dissemination of institutional progress and academic vibrancy but also reflects the visionary leadership of Professor Alka Singh and the tireless efforts of the entire IQAC team. The newsletter shall undoubtedly serve as an intellectual conduit, enabling stakeholders to engage with the pioneering academic, cultural, and community outreach endeavours being undertaken by your esteemed institution.

We take this opportunity to applaud Vasanta College's recent academic affiliations and recognitions, which are a testament to its commitment to excellence in women's education. The college continues to uphold the ideals of holistic and value-based learning as envisioned by its illustrious founders, seamlessly integrating tradition with innovation. The initiatives undertaken by IQAC in fostering a culture of quality enhancement and continuous academic introspection have yielded significant outcomes, inspiring institutions like ours in their own pursuit of excellence.

As an external member of the IQAC at Vasanta College, I have had the privilege of learning immensely from the innovative practices and vibrant academic culture fostered within the institution. I look forward to continued collaboration and dialogue between our institutions, united in our shared mission of advancing higher education that is both inclusive and transformative.



**Dr. R. K. Pandey**  
Parent Representative

"I am very happy to congratulate Vasanta college for women on the launch of its IQAC e-newsletter. This decision taken by the college reflects the commitment towards transparent and quality service towards the students of the college, which will encourage the students for innovation and meaningful dialogue in the coming times.

Many congratulations once again.

## Message by Former Coordinator, IQAC



**Prof. Seema Srivastava**  
Former Coordinator  
IQAC, VCW

Vasanta College for Women, Rajghat, Varanasi, is not only one of the Premier institutions, disseminating wholistic quality education to its women, but also it has engaged itself into multifarious advancements, thus, continued to achieve new heights every day. The vision and determination of Professor Alka Singh, The Principal, through her guidance, and positive approach has resulted in setting up high standards in academics and related areas. The IQAC of the college, under the mentorship of Professor Alka Singh is working relentlessly and vibrantly to assure quality initiatives and creation of a culture of growth. Having got the opportunity to work as former IQAC coordinator, it gives me immense pleasure to express my heartfelt congratulations to the IQAC on the occasion of lauching of its first edition of e-newsletter. It is indeed a remarkable step, adding glory to the college in the outside world.

My best wishes to the whole team of IQAC for this commendable pursuit with a deep desire to vouch success in all the fields for Vasanta College for Women, Rajghat.

## Message by Coordinator, IQAC



**Prof. Manjari Jhunjhunwala**  
Coordinator, IQAC, VCW

As we embark on a new academic year, I want to express my enthusiasm for the promising opportunities ahead. The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of our institution is committed to fostering a culture of excellence and continuous improvement in education, research& innovation, holistic development and creating opportunities in various spheres. Do engage wholeheartedly with IQAC initiatives, share your insights, expertise and feedback. Together, let us employ the power of collaboration to elevate the quality of education and research at our institution.



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(Incorporated in the Companies Act, 1956)  
(Accredited & Grade 'B' by NAAC)

**SEMINAR ON "START-UP TO START/ ENTREPRENEURSHIP"**  
ICFAI BUSINESS SCHOOL

**TOPIC - "START-UP TO START/ ENTREPRENEURSHIP"**  
Organised by Department of Commerce & Annie Besant Centre for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship under the Aegis of IQAC  
Varanasi College for Women, Rajghat  
IN COLLABORATION WITH ICFAI BUSINESS SCHOOL  
09<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 24 12.00 PM TO 1.00 PM

**PROF. ALKA SINGH** (Principal)  
**DR. VIKRAM SHARMA** (Faculty, IBS Gurgaon Campus)  
**DR. D. UMA DEVI** (HOD, Dept. of Commerce)  
**PROF. MANJARI MUNIYANWALA** (IQAC Coordinator)  
**DR. SAURABH SINGH** (Entrepreneurship Cell, Gurgaon)



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## Seminar

Seminar on Start-up to Start / Entrepreneurship was organized by Department of Commerce & Annie Besant Centre for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship under the Aegis of Internal Quality Assurance Cell in Collaboration with ICFAI Business School on 9th August 2024. On the day the Resource Person was Dr. Vikram Sharma, Faculty IBS, Gurgaon Campus. 18 teachers and 38 students participated in this Seminar.

**NEP COMMITTEE**  
(UNDER THE AEGIS OF INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL)  
**VASANTA COLLEGE FOR WOMEN**  
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RAJGHAT, VARANASI

**Organises**  
**Two Days Workshop**  
on  
**'Implementation of NEP, 2020**  
(with special reference to 4 Year UG Programme) :  
**Challenges and Opportunities'**  
28-29 August, 2024

**DAY-I**  
28 August, 2024 Time 04:00 PM  
4 Year UG Programme in NEP, 2020: Major Provisions  
Speaker: Dr. Kaushal Kishore  
Professor, Department of Educational Studies,  
Faculty of Education, Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi (Online Mode)

**DAY-II**  
29 August, 2024 Time 02:00 PM  
Implementation of 4 Year UG Programme in Banaras Hindu University  
Speaker: Prof. Bhaskar Bhattacharya  
Coordinator, Internal Quality Assurance Cell & Chairperson,  
Central Admission Committee, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi (Offline Mode)



## Two Days Workshop

Two Days Workshop on 'Implementation of NEP, 2020 (with special reference to 4 Year UG Programme): Challenges and Opportunities' organized by NEP Committee, Under the Aegis of Internal Quality Assurance Cell on 28 -29 August, 2024. Dr. Kaushal Kishor, Professor, Department of Educational Studies, Faculty of Education, JMI, Delhi (Online Mode) and Prof. Bhaskar Bhattacharya, Coordinator, IQAC & Chairperson, Central Admission Committee, BHU, Varanasi (Offline Mode) were the Resource Persons of the Workshop. 71 faculty members participated in the Two Day Workshop.

**INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)**  
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**Organizes**  
**One Day Workshop**  
on  
**NAAC REFORMS 2024: TRANSFORMING OF HEIs**  
by  
**Dr. Mahesh Sharma**  
Assistant Professor, Department of English & Coordinator, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)  
Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2024 (Friday)  
Time: 11:00 am to 01:00 pm  
Venue: Conference Hall  
Prof. Alka Singh  
Chairperson / Principal



## One Day Workshop

One Day Workshop on NAAC Reforms : Transforming of HEIs on 22 November 2024. Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of English & Coordinator, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi was the Resource Person of the Workshop. in all 28 Members (IQAC & Nodal officer) participated.







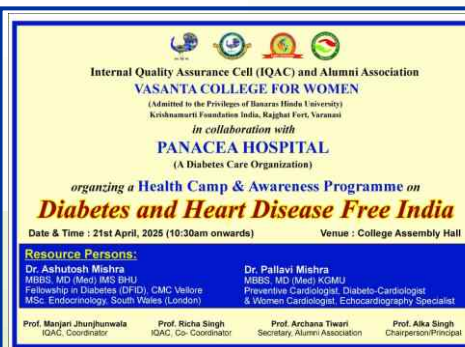
## Special Talk

Special Talk by **Dr. Subhash Meena**, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Delhi, New Delhi on **How to Prepare for NAAC Accreditation on 25th November, 2024**. All the IQAC Members attended the special talk.



## One Day Workshop

One Day Workshop on NAAC Reforms : Transforming of HEIs (Session- II) on **13 December 2024**. **Dr. Mahesh Sharma**, Assistant Professor, Department of English & Coordinator, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi was the Resource Person of the Workshop. 30 Faculty Members participated in the Workshop.



## Health Camp and Awareness Programme

Internal Quality Assurance Cell and Alumni Association, VCW organized a Health Camp & Awareness Programme on Diabetes and Heart Disease Free India in collaboration with Panacea Hospital (A Diabetes Care Organization) on **21st April, 2025**. **Dr. Ashutosh Mishra**, MBBS, MD (Med) IMS BHU was the Resource Person of Health Camp. This Camp was organized for Awareness among Teaching, Non-Teaching and students of VCW. 135 Teaching, Non-Teaching and students were benefitted by this camp.







### Workshop for Supporting Staff

Internal Quality Assurance Cell along with Code of Conduct Committee, VCW organized One Day Workshop on “कार्यक्षेत्र में सकारात्मक वातावरण” for the Support Staff of VCW on 22nd April 2025. The Resource Person was Prof. Ranjana Seth, Former Department In-charge, Economics, VCW. 28 staff attended the Workshop.



### Special Lecture

Internal Quality Assurance Cell along with Code of Conduct Committee, organized a Special Lecture on Navigating Code of Conduct. The Resource Person was Prof. Royana Singh, Professor of Anatomy, IMS, BHU VCW on 3rd May 2025. 25 faculty members and 160 students of UG-NEP Batch attended the lecture.




### Lecture

Internal Quality Assurance Cell, IQAC organized an Online Lecture on Intellectual Property Right on Research, Innovation and IPR for Academicians on 28th May, 2025. Dr. Ananya Rahul Bibave, Principal (I/C) Associate Professor, Modern Law College, Ganeshkhind, Pashan Road, Pune, Maharashtra was the Resource Person and 57 faculty members attended the lecture.










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**Organises**


**Three Days Workshop for Non-Teaching Staff**  
 9th - 11th June 2025 (Hybrid Mode)

Resource Persons	Venue : Conference Hall
<b>DAY - I</b>  <b>Shri Ajay Kumar Singh</b> Deputy Registrar, Recruitment & Assessment Cell, BHU, Varanasi <b>Topic : The Procurement Process on GeM</b>	<b>09 JUNE 2025</b> 11:00am onwards Online Mode
<b>DAY - II</b>  <b>Dr. Sunita Chandra</b> Registrar, Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi <b>Topic : Recruitment of Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff in University</b>	<b>10 JUNE 2025</b> 11:00am onwards Online Mode
<b>DAY - III</b>  <b>Shri K. G. Verma</b> Former Joint Secretary, Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) <b>Topic : Rostering System and its Process</b>	<b>11 JUNE 2025</b> 11:00am onwards Online Mode

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 Prof. Alka Singh  
 President, VCW

**COORDINATOR**  
  
 Prof. Manjari Jha  
 Coordinator, IQAC  
 Professor, English Department

**CONVENERS**  
  
 Dr. Yogita Bori  
 Assistant Professor  
 Economics Department

  
 Dr. G. Thavasi  
 Member, IQAC  
 Assistant Professor  
 Geography Department

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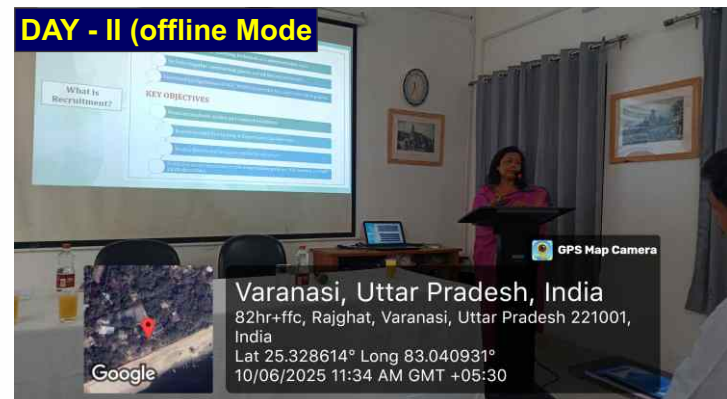
### Three Day Workshop for Non-Teaching Staff

Internal Quality Assurance Cell organized Three Day Workshop for Non-Teaching Staff of VCW from 9th June to 11th June, 2025 (Hybrid Mode). The Resource Persons were Shri Ajay Kumar Singh, Deputy Registrar, Recruitment & Assessment Cell, BHU, Varanasi on the Topic: **The Procurement Process on GeM**, Dr. Sunita Chandra, Registrar, Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi on the Topic: **Recruitment of Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff in University**, Shri K. G. Verma, Former Joint Secretary, Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) on the Topic : **Rostering System and its Process**. In all 33 staff attended it.

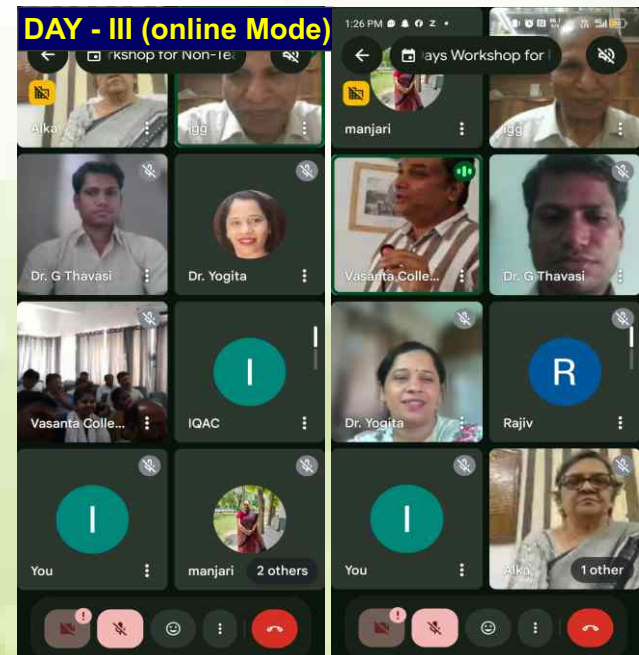
#### DAY - I (offline Mode)



#### DAY - II (offline Mode)



#### DAY - III (online Mode)





The collage consists of 24 photographs arranged in a grid-like fashion, capturing various moments from the college's inauguration and subsequent activities. The top row shows the inauguration ceremony with a ribbon-cutting. The second row features a group photo of the principal and staff in front of the college building. The third row shows a workshop titled 'One Day Workshop REFORMS 2024: TRANSFORMING' by Dr. Mahesh Sharma. The fourth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The fifth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The sixth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The seventh row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The eighth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The ninth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The tenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The eleventh row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The twelfth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The thirteenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The fourteenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The fifteenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The sixteenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The seventeenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The eighteenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The nineteenth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The twentieth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The twenty-first row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The twenty-second row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The twenty-third row shows a group photo of the college staff and students. The twenty-fourth row shows a group photo of the college staff and students.

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## IQAC MEETING WITH EXTERNAL MEMBERS



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## COMPLETING ONE YEAR OF NAAC PEER TEAM VISIT (11-12 July 2023)





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Professor, Department of Psychology



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**Dr. Tulasi K. Joshi**  
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Library Department



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