



Adwitiya

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WOMEN'S CELL , DURGAPUR GOVERNMENT COLLEGE

Phenomenal Women

“Another world is not only possible, she is on her way. On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing.”

Arundhati Roy, Indian Author and Human Rights Activist

“There are two powers in the world; one is the sword and the other is the pen. There is a third power stronger than both, that of women.”

Malala Yousafzai, Pakistani Education Activist

“Each time a woman stands up for herself, without knowing it possibly, without claiming, she stands up for all women.”

Maya Angelou, American Memoirist, Civil Rights Activist and Poet

"Every woman's success should be an inspiration to another. We're strongest when we cheer each other on."

Serena Williams, American Tennis Champion

“We should be all together celebrating one thing and not two divided groups that ‘hate’ each other and don't really know a lot about each other and acknowledging the past from both sides. Because, at the end of the day, your history is my history and we are part of the same narrative.”

Aretha Brown, Australian Queer Artist

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Principal's Message



DR. DEBNATH PALIT

Principal, Durgapur Government College

It gives me immense pleasure to present this inaugural issue of the Annual Newsletter of the Women's Cell of our College. It is overwhelming to witness the dedication of the Coordinator and all members of the Cell in creating a women-friendly environment for students, faculty members and staff, to enable them to explore their full potential and ensure their active involvement in the developmental process. The Cell takes every initiative to uphold the institutional vision of gender equality and celebration of all genders with equal access and active participation in the decision making process. Durgapur Government College regularly organizes seminars, discussion meetings, gender sensitization week, orientation programmes, poster competitions, student seminars and other related events to mark the social issues and find ways of making the gender equations more even and balanced. The institution involves active participation of women in developmental processes as Heads of academic departments and administrative committees and sincerely works to provide adequate infrastructural facilities for the safety and security of women in the college premises. Annual Newsletter published by the Women's Cell is a stepping stone to sensitize all stakeholders of the institution to develop an open and spontaneous acknowledgement and appreciation for women's involvement in multifarious activities.

I am confident that the Women's Cell of Durgapur Government College will celebrate the elegance of womanhood through its diverse range of activities and establish its significant contribution to enhance the self esteem and self confidence of women to recognize their true potential

Women's Cell



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From the Co-ordinator's desk

Originating from Sanskrit language, the word 'Adwitiya' / 'अद्वितीया' refers to a woman who is unparalleled in various spheres of life. The newly formed Women's Cell of Durgapur Government College is christened as 'Adwitiya', for it aspires to soar above the mundane, beyond the reach of the ordinary, in the quality of all its activities and achieve an unparalleled feat.

'Adwitiya' started its journey on 8th March, 2024, commemorating 'International Women's Day', and is instinctively committed to work towards addressing gender imbalance and inequality rampant in society. The members of the Women's Cell, ably led by the dynamic Principal, Dr Debnath Palit, are committed to address relevant women-centric issues by organizing gender sensitive activities and awareness programmes for its students and faculty members. At the same time, Women's Cell passionately nurtures its 'Adwitiya's, the girl students from the institution, who have proved their mettle within their stipulated time in the campus. Therefore, the inaugural issue of the Newsletter is dedicated to those diamonds who are shining with all their brightness within and beyond the firmament of Durgapur Government College. The 'Adwitiya's in the Newsletter are classified into three categories – those who have excelled in academics (Medha), in sports and games (Urmi) and in the professional world (Srashta). This Newsletter is an expression of pride that Durgapur Government College harbours about its 'Adwitiya's. Apart from this thematic focus, the Newsletter also contains 'Notice Board' and 'Picture Gallery' where news about and pictures of women-related activities in the academic session 2023-2024 are posted. It must also be mentioned that the Editorial team behind the Newsletter consists of three bright 'Adwitiya's who have diligently crafted the Newsletter into an aesthetic whole.



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Adwitiya.

MEDHA

Shreya Bagchi, from the Department of English, graduated in 2023 and was chosen for the Royal Holloway Principal's Masters Scholarships for the 2023/24 academic year. The award is for a year and she has earned a reduction in her tuition fee to her credit. She has begun her session in September 2023 and is currently pursuing her Masters in UK. She is specializing in Victorian Literature, Art and culture.



SHREYA BAGCHI



SANJUKTA CHEL

Sanjukta Chel, from the Department of Geology has completed her graduation in 2023 and has achieved a whopping 96.4%. She is currently at the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, and is pursuing an M.Sc. degree in Applied Geology. Some of her outstanding achievements include an all-India rank of 18 in the JAM examination in 2023. She is also an Inspire scholar and an internship coordinator in the institute's placement team.

Urmila Ghosh, from the Department of Chemistry, Durgapur Government College (2023) has successfully cleared the Joint Admission Test for Masters (JAM) in 2023, securing an All India Rank (AIR) of 64. She is currently pursuing her Master's in Chemistry at IIT Kanpur. She received offer letters from several institutes such as IISER, NISER etc.



URMILA GHOSH



SWAPNA DHALI

Swapna Dhali, from the Department of Commerce, is on an incredible journey to become a Financial Analyst. She is determined to succeed and inspire others to follow their dreams. Belonging to the batch of 2023, she passed out with an amazing CGPA of 8.01. Currently, she is pursuing her dreams at the prestigious Calcutta Business School where she has decided to study Post-graduate Diploma in Management. She has the potential to contribute to the field of Finance. Her passion for finance and dedication to her studies make her a standout candidate for future success in the industry. With her strong academic background and drive to excel, she is well on her way to achieving her goal of becoming a Financial Analyst in future.

Adwitiya:

URM





ANJALI SHAW

Anjali Shaw, from the Department of History, is a 6th Semester student who is a proficient climber and has received many awards in rock climbing/ wall climbing competitions in Durgapur and elsewhere. Last year, she scaled Mt Renock, a height of 16500 ft. as part of Basic Mountaineering Course of the prestigious Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Darjeeling. She made us all proud by winning a West Bengal government scholarship, which enabled her to join the course. She has received a silver medal as the second prize for Indoor Artificial Climbing held during the same period.

Sadia Khatun, from the Department of Political Science, semester 4, is a dynamic student whose passion for sports and mountaineering knows no bounds. She is a NCC Cadet and a sports enthusiast who has participated in various events in and outside the college. She recently completed a basic skiing course, conducted by Jawahar Institute of Mountaineering and Winter Sports, Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir in January-February 2024. She has even completed basic rock climbing course conducted by Adventure and Nature Lovers, durgapur and has won awards in several categories during the college annual sports meet, 2023 like Kho-Kho, Shot-Put, Discus Throw etc. She embodies the spirit of determination and enthusiasm.



SADIA KHATUN

Priyamvada, from the Department of Political Science, semester 2, has been practising yoga since she was 4 years old and has several accomplishments to her credit. She has secured 3rd and 4th rank in State and National Yoga Championships respectively in the year 2023-24.



PRIYAMVADA MONDAL



ANWESHA TUDU

Anwasha, from the Department of Physics, has proven her worth as an eminent sports person in various fields. In the Inter College State Sports & Games Championship 2023-23 at the District level held during the period 01.03.2024 to 03.03.2024, she secured 1st Position in Javelin Throw & 2nd position in Shot Put Throw. As for the Durgapur Sub-Divisional Sports Association Annual Athletic meet for 2023-2024, Anwasha bagged 1st position in Women's group "Shot Put and 1st position in Women's group Javelin.

Adwitiya:

SRASHTA

Ms Anisha Sharma, from the Department of Conservation Biology, completed her Masters in 2023 with a CGPA of 8.86. She received the Gold Medal from Kazi Nazrul University as a 1st rank holder of Conservation Biology in the 2nd convocation of the University held on 27.03.2024. She has carried out her Dissertation on 'Assessment of Air Quality Index Trends and Forecast to Understand the Ambient Air Quality of Kolkata'. Currently, she is appointed as an Assistant Teacher at Loka International school, Aurangabad, Bihar.



ANISHA SHARMA



ANKITA DAS

Ankita Das, from the Department of History, is an inquisitive and hard-working student of the 2017-2020 batch. She was a regular student throughout her graduation tenure and received the departmental prize for being one of the toppers in terms of college performance. She also received the Utkarsha Samman, 2020 awarded by the college authorities, for being the subject topper in her batch. She is appointed as a History Teacher at Hem Sheela Model School, Durgapur.



Notice Board

1. The total number of female students enrolled in the session

- UG = 398 = 63.28%
- PG = 12 = 41.38%

2. Stream wise Female student ratio

- Arts = 274 = 72.87%
- Commerce = 56 = 47.46%
- Science = 68 = 50.37%

3. Scholarships

- Kanyashree = 160 = 100%
- NSP = 1 = 100%
- Aikyashree = 46 = 82.1%
- OASIS = 13 = 50%
- SVMCM = 228 = 67.6%

4. NCC

- Female NCC Cadets enrolled = 21 = 41.18%.

5. NSS

- Female Volunteers enrolled = 81 = 61.83%.

6. Teacher Training Course 23 to 25 August 2023

- Two NSS female Volunteers successfully completed the free Teacher Training Course organized by Pidilite Industries Pvt. Ltd, in a workshop that was organized from 23rd to 25th August 2023 (refer to 6.1 in Picture Gallery).

7. NabosaaJe Agomoni _ 12 October 2023

- On the 12th of October 2023, the college organised "NOBOSAAJE AGOMONI" where, along with the boys, the female students played beautiful roles in harnessing the homecoming of Durga Maa.

8. Sanitary Napkin Vending Machine _ 13 October 2023

- A Sanitary Napkin Vending Machine was gifted to the college, on 13.10.2023, which was inaugurated by the Honourable SDM of Durgapur, Mrs. Anindita Mukherjee on 09.01.2024 (refer to 8.1 and 8.2 in Picture Gallery).

9. Annual College Sports - 15 December 2023

- 94 female students participated in events like 100 m Race, Javelin throw, Short Put, Discus throw, Long Jump, Kho-Kho, Kabaddi, and Badminton Doubles. They won several trophies and medals (refer to 9.1, 9.2 and 9.3 in the Picture Gallery).

10. Toppers' Talk and Alumni Lectures

- Several departments like English, Philosophy, Conservation Biology, Sanskrit, Chemistry etc, organised inspirational talks by their meritorious students (refer to 10.1 in the Picture Gallery).

11. Regional Science and Technology Congress 8 to 9 January, 2024

- Women Scientists participated - 80 of 214 = 37% (refer to 11.1 and 11.2 in the Picture Gallery).

12. International Mother Language Day - 21 February 2024

- Female students, along with the male students, poured their hearts and souls into designing posters, walking in a musical rally and presenting graceful performances (refer to 12.1 in the Picture Gallery).

13. Seminar by Internal Complaints Committee - 23 February 2024

- Topic - "A Decade of The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Protection & Redressal) Act, 2013".
- Resource Person - Smt Soma Roy Karmakar (refer to 13.1 in the Picture Gallery).

14. Poster Competition on the National Science Day - 28 February 2024

- 56% out of 78 participants were female students who won all the prizes (refer to 14.1 and 14.2 in the Picture Gallery).

15. Uttarkarsha Samman - 28 February 2024

- Number of UG Female students won - 11 = 69%
 - Number of PG Female students won - 2 = 67%
- (refer to 15.1 in the Picture Gallery)

16. Seminar on Mental Wellbeing of College Students - 1 March 2024

- NSS volunteers, mostly Females, actively helped in the smooth conduct of the event (refer to 16.1 and 16.2 in the Picture Gallery).

17. Voter's Awareness Programme – 2 March 2024

- NSS Female volunteers and girl students, along with the boys participated in the programme (refer to 17.1 in the Picture Gallery).

18. Road Art Competition – 5 March 2024

- The English department was represented by an all-girls team, which won the prize for “Best Overall Appearance” (refer to 18.1 and 18.2 in the Picture Gallery).

19. Energy Conservation Survey – 4 to 11 March 2024

- 8 day-long survey was mainly assisted by the NSS female volunteers (refer to 19.1 in the Picture Gallery).

20. International Women's Day – 8 March 2024

- Awareness programme and talk conducted by Women's Cell (refer to 20.1 in the Picture Gallery).
- Launch of women-centric Annual Digital Wall Magazine, “Inscape”, by the Department of English (refer to 20.2 in the Picture Gallery).

21. Basanta Utsab – 13 March 2024

- Female students enthusiastically participated in the Basanta Utsab through colourful dances, song performances and more (refer to 21.1 in the Picture Gallery).

22. Seminar on “Towards a Better Tomorrow” – 15 March 2024

- Resource person from the local NGO SAHAS raised awareness among Female students about how they should be careful when they, in future will be expecting mothers and mothers (refer to 22.1 in the Picture Gallery).

23. Youth Convention – 4 April 2024

- 47 girl students and 10 faculty members participated in the convention (refer to 23.1 and 23.2 in the Picture Gallery).

24. Workshop on Coping with stress and anxiety: Self care and Mental well-being – 10 May 2024

- Women's Cell and Student Health, Welfare and Psychological Cell organized an online workshop which was conducted by Life Skills with Paromita from Ireland.



Picture Galleries



(6.1)



(8.1)



(8.2)

CERTIFICATE RECEIVED BY DISHA BAGDI FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE TEACHER TRAINING COURSE

INAUGURATION OF THE SANITARY NAPKIN VENDING MACHINE



(9.1)



(9.2)



(9.3)

FEMALE WINNERS IN VARIOUS CATEGORIES OF SPORTS



(10.1)

TOPPERS' TALK ORGANISED BY PHILOSOPHY AND SANSKRIT DEPARTMENT.



(10.2)



(11.1)

CELEBRATION OF THE 6TH REGIONAL SCIENCE CONGRESS



(11.2)

PRESENTATION BY A FEMALE SCIENTIST PARTICIPATING IN THE SCIENCE CONGRESS



(12.1)

FEMALE STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN MATRIBHASHA DIBOSH RALLY



(13.1)

THE INTERNAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE ORGANISED A SEMINAR CUM INTERACTIVE SESSION ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT



(14.1)

POSTER COMPETITION ON NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY.



(14.2)



(15.1)

A STUDENT'S FATHER COLLECTED THE UTKARSHA SOMMAN FROM THE PRINCIPAL



(16.1)

SEMINAR ON MENTAL WELL BEING ORGANISED IN COLLABORATION WITH IQ CITY.



(16.2)



(17.1)

FEMALE NSS MEMBERS HELPED IN THE SMOOTH CONDUCT OF THE VOTERS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.



(18.1)

INTER DEPARTMENTAL ROAD ART COMPETITION.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT, REPRESENTED BY AN ALL GIRLS TEAM, WON AN AWARD FOR BEST OVERALL APPEARANCE.



(18.2)



(19.1)

ENERGY CONSUMPTION SURVEY



(20.1)

COMMEMORATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



(20.2)

INAUGURATION OF 'INSCAPE'

CELEBRATION OF BASANTA UTSAB THROUGH A VIBRANT PROGRAMME

(21.1)



(22.1)

TALK AND INTERACTIVE SESSION TOWARD A BETTER TOMORROW



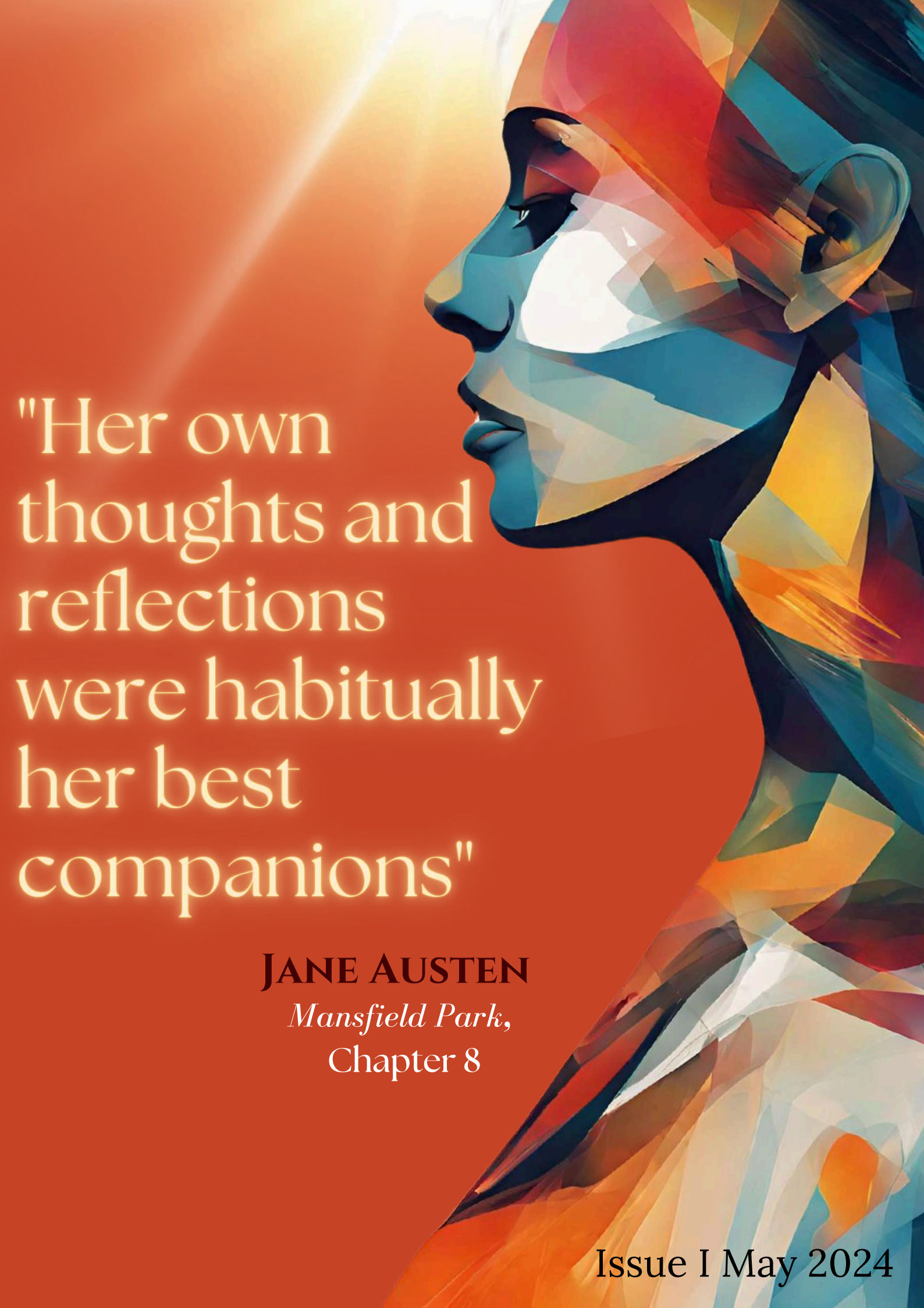
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47 GIRL STUDENTS AND 10 FACULTY MEMBERS ATTENDED THE YOUTH CONVENTION ORGANISED BY SWAMI VIVEKANANDA VANI PRACHAR SAMITY



(24.1)

DR PAROMITA SENGUPTA ADDRESSING THE STUDENTS AND FACULTIES DURING WORKSHOP ON SELF CARE.



"Her own
thoughts and
reflections
were habitually
her best
companions"

JANE AUSTEN
Mansfield Park,
Chapter 8

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