STUDENTS' UNION

Every year, Student Union makes great strides in advancing the interests of students by organizing a number of events that promote self-reliance among students and ensure their overall growth. During the course of 2017-18, a great deal has happened in many areas concerning the student union.

The students' union welcomed new comer students on **orientation day** held on 20th July 2017. This was marked by a formal welcome address by the Principal followed by introductory sessions by Faculty members and other administrative staffs. Thereafter the day was filled with entertaining and joyful sessions for the newcomers. The union organized **Fresher's day** (**Parichaya'17**) in collaboration with Hindustan times and Times of India for its new comers on 18th August 2017. Sunakshi Grover was crowned as the winner of Miss KNC title while Priyanka Bhalla and Shivali Anand were declared the first and second runners-up.

The most important step towards the union activities began with the conduct of a free and fair election process for electing the student representatives for various positions under the Delhi university guidelines governing the code of conduct of election process. The election processes this year witnessed healthy debate sessions centering the issues of women students, college life that ultimately resulted in large turnout of voters on the day of election. Ms Ridhi Jain. Ms Muskaan Kohli, Ritika, Muskan, Ananya Agarwal, Ritika Bhatnagr, Ms Pearl got selected as students' representatives for the post of President, Vice-president, General secretary, Treasurer, Proctor IIIrd year, Proctor IInd year, Proctor Ist year respectively in the **students' union election** held on 7th September 2017.

On 22nd September 2017, Students' Union of Kamala Nehru College organized a **workshop on self defence** in collaboration with Ministry of Youth and Sports. It was conducted by a renowned NGO called SLAP (Street Level Awareness Programme) working relentlessly on the issue of women's safety post Nirbhaya episode in Delhi. Our students were addressed by its director Ms. Mriganka and her team on the issue of women's safety. Practically feasible tricks of safety against physical abuse were demonstrated in simplified steps by two internationally acclaimed boxers. Students were also given a chance to put their newly learnt techniques through a practice session. Additionally, Students were made aware of the various women protection apps,

telephonic safety features. The two-hour long session was concluded with an address on financial safety and empowerment through innovative tools and state run programmes for students.

The **Annual Diwali Mela Adrith'17** was organized by the Students' Union on 16th October 2017. With the theme of 'ethnic grandeur' the aim of the event was to strengthen the cultural ethos of community living and rejoicing. This one-day Mela was fun filled with numerous activities. It had a variety of stalls ranging from clothing, accessories to scrumptious food corners. The Mela also provided platform for enhancing entrepreneurial skills to the budding student entrepreneurs of Delhi University by having their stalls. Additionally, this too included stalls from various NGOs while displaying handmade products by marginal segments of our society. A short street play, an attractive photo booth, traditional folk music of drummers was the centre of attraction of the crowd. Adrith 2017 saw a great turnout and received a positive response from all those who attended the event.

The Annual Cultural Festival Ullas'18 was held on 21st and 22nd February 2018. Renowned Odissi dancer Smt. Ranjana Gauhar graced the occasion as the chief guest and mesmerized the full auditorium of eager listeners with her powerful words. The inaugural ceremony was then followed by distribution of prizes and a performance by an Arzentina origin Odissi dancer who could successfully enthralled the audience with his graceful Odissi moves. Ullas'18 was all jam packed with competitions in the field of dance, music, creative writing, fine arts, quizzing, fashion that truly gave an unforgettable experience to the student communities not only from various colleges of University of Delhi but also many more other nearby universities and colleges. The colourful display of handcrafted bounties, dices and Masks by the fine arts society of the college truly provided this years' festival a playful and celebratory look. The professional band show performance by the renowned band 'Tarkash' and the much-awaited DJ Night by DJ Anirudh was the focus of this year's festival attractions. The performance by the college band 'Bass Drop' however stole the heart of the audience when they rocked the stage with their selftrained skills. The performance by the college band on the mike and sound tested stage designed for professional performers was an encouraging and innovative move this year by the college to provide professional exposure to the budding musicians during the cultural festival.