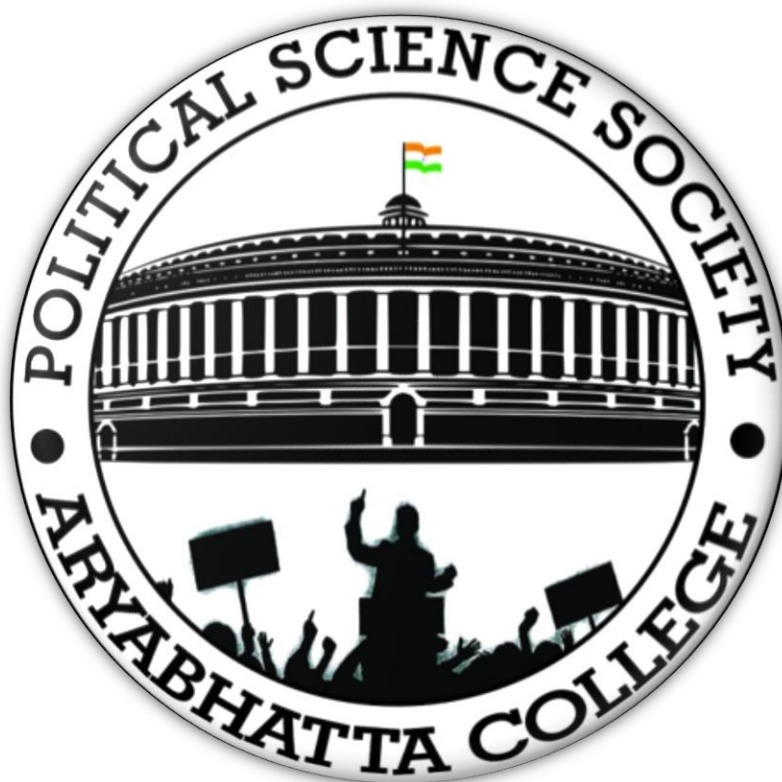


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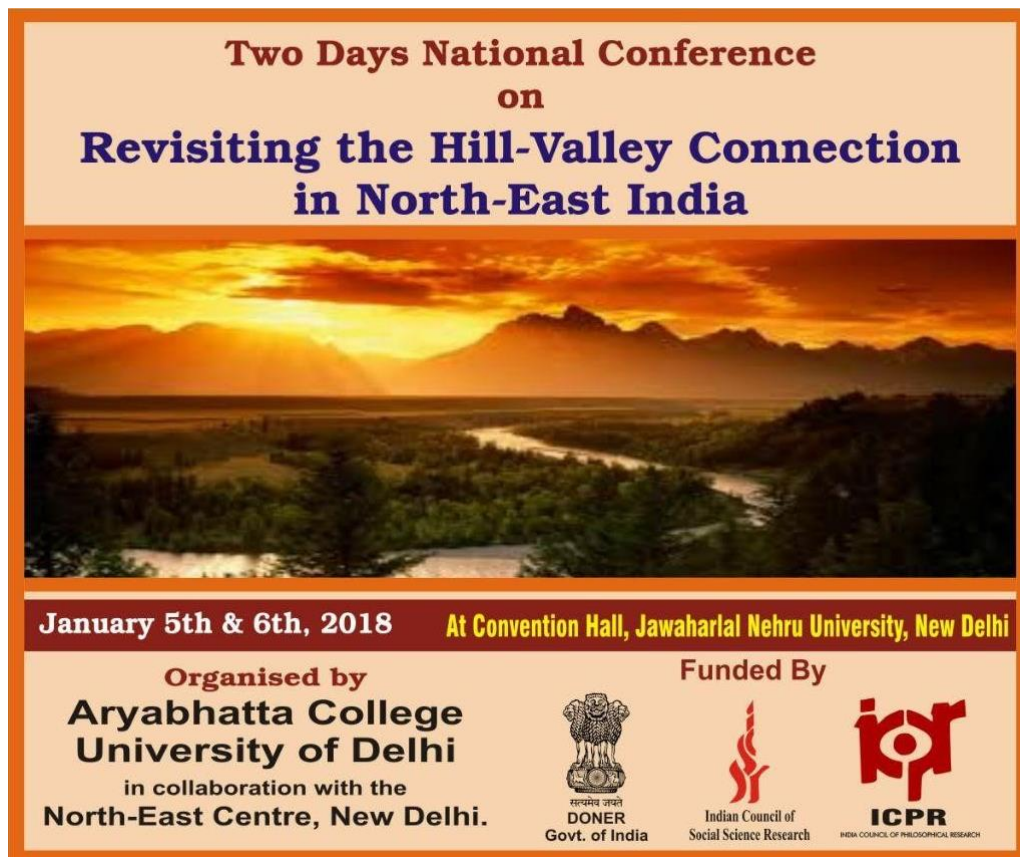
ACADEMIC SESSION 2017-2018

- The monsoon semester began with **Orientation** for the first semester students by departmental faculty members on 20th July 2017. The aim of orientation was to introduce basic information related to course, department and college and to address the concerns and queries of the students.
- Specific **Orientation Lecture** was organized by the department for first semester students by Shusheela Ramaswamy associated with University of Delhi, on **Political Theory** on 18th August. Prof. Ramasamy had discussed that why we need political theory and what is the significance of political theory in course of political science? She concluded that theorization is essential and integral for any discipline of knowledge. Political theories broadly frame the mind of students for concept like Justice, Right, and Equality etc.
- A talk was organized by the department on 29th August where Sheshadri Chari Ji, head of foreign policy cell of BJP, delivered a lecture on **India: Great Power Standing** and interacted with students. He evaluated Indian foreign policy in terms of India's search for great power status since its independence. His thrust was how India projects itself as great power and how it had pursued.



- A One-day workshop on **‘Pakistan Occupied Jammu and Kashmir’** was organized on 23rd September in Conference room. The basic purpose of workshop was to familiarize the region with academic community. It covered the history, polity, economic, cultures, human right and strategic significance.





- The Political Science Department of **Aryabhata College, University of Delhi** in collaboration with **North-East Centre**, New Delhi organized two days **National Conference** on 5-6th January 2018 in Jawaharlal Nehru University, supported by ICSSR and ICPR. The theme of Seminar is “**Revisiting the Hill-Valley Connection in Northeast India**”

The purpose of the conference was an endeavor to explore the North East Region in the holistic perspective. North East Region is inflicted with numerous issues which need revisiting. This conference saw significant number of students from the North Eastern part of India. The North East Centre is a non- profit trust established with aim of promoting culture, education research and character building among the masses in North East India. This collective effort by Aryabhata College, and North East Study Centre, New Delhi enriched the knowledge community of the country and facilitated the cultural bonding between hills and valley.



Sub Themes of Conference were:

- Philosophy and Religion of the Region
- Narratives and Identity in the North East Region
- Way of narrating ethnic identity in past and present perspective.

- Participation in Freedom Struggle (Including North East India and INA).
- Sixth schedule and its relevance.
- Panchayati Raj
- Connected history – trade, people and culture
- Identities: past and present
- Economic development in the region





- The Department of Political Science organized a talk on ‘**Current International Crisis: Humanitarian Diplomacy and Challenges**’ on 15th January 2018, in the conference room. It was delivered by Dr Hugo Slim, Senior Research Fellow, International Committee of Red Cross, Geneva and chaired by Prof. Swarn Singh.



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Dr Hugo Slim



Dr Hugo Slim is Head of Policy at the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Geneva. Prior to joining the ICRC in 2015, he was a senior research fellow at the Institute of Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict at the University of Oxford where he led research on humanitarian ethics and the protection of civilians. He was Chief Scholar at the Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue from 2003-2007 and Reader in International Humanitarianism at Oxford Brookes University from 1994-2003. Between 1983 and 1994, he worked for Save the Children and the United Nations in Morocco, Sudan, Ethiopia, the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Bangladesh. He received his PhD in Humanitarian Ethics from Oxford Brookes University in 2002. His most recent books are 'Humanitarian Ethics: A Guide to the Morality of Aid in War and Disaster' (2015) and 'Killing Civilians: Method, Madness and Morality in War' (2007).

CHAIR

Prof. Swarn Singh



Prof. Singh is chairperson and professor for Diplomacy and Disarmament at Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament (CIPOD), School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. He is the president of Association for Asia Scholars (AAS), general secretary of Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies (IAAPS), guest professor at Research Institute for Indian Ocean Economies (RIIO), Yunnan University of Finance and Economics (YUFE), China and Advisory Board member of Atlanta-based Communities Without Borders Inc. He is on several editorial boards and contributes to print and visual media at home and abroad. He has co-edited various books, including 'Transforming South Asia: Imperatives for Action' (2013), 'India and the GCC Countries Iran and Iraq: Emerging Security Perspectives' (2013) and 'On China By India: From Civilization to State' (2012). He has 25 years of research and teaching experience at major institutions.

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- The Department of Political Science organized a talk on **“Reflection of Indian Politics Since Independence”**. It was delivered by Prof S. K Chaubey, retired professor, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi on 16 March 2018 in Conference Room. It was privilege for the department that all senior faculty had been his students. His talk was based on his memory of how he had seen a changing India since its independence.

