



# Xavier Vista

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## Editor Speaks

The New Year 2011 welcomed us with new challenges and difficulties. This year began with the onion out of our daily plates.

Years ago at the Seattle Olympics, nine athletes, all mentally or physically challenged, were standing at the start line for the 100 meter race. The gun fired and the race began. Not everyone was running, but everyone wanted to participate and win. They ran in threes, a boy tripped and fell, did a few somersaults and started crying. The other eight heard him crying. They slowed down and looked back. They stopped and came back, all of them.

A girl with Down's Syndrome sat down next to the boy, hugged him and asked, "Feeling better now?" Then, all nine walked shoulder to shoulder to the finish line. The whole crowd stood up and applauded. And the applause lasted a very long time. People who witnessed this still talk about it. Why is it?

Because deep down inside us, we all know that the most important thing in life is something much more than winning for ourselves. The most important thing in this life is to help others to win, even if that means slowing down and changing our own race. A candle loses nothing if it is used to light another one.

We all have to run in our life but let every one of us make a difference by helping, understanding, serving and doing the best we can for a better society. Let us be a candle to every life as we are teachers building and shaping our society.

On behalf of the College Principal, Staff and teacher-trainees I wish all our readers a very Happy New Year 2011.



**Deep Kumar**  
Lecturer, SXCE, Patna

## College Day Celebrations

College day was celebrated on 3rd December 2010. It's a feast day when the college family remembers its patron St. Francis Xavier after whom this college is named. A cultural programme was performed by the B.Ed and M.Ed students in the college auditorium. Archbishop William D'Souza S.J., was the Chief Guest of the day. The programme started with a prayer service depicting the life of St. Francis Xavier through a power point presentation. Programmes like Puppet Dance, Fusion Dance, Kawali, Panjabi Dance, Nagpuri dance, skit were presented by the student-teachers.

In his message the Chief Guest, the Archbishop, congratulated the College family for getting accredited with 'A' grade by NAAC and asked us to continue to maintain the standard of the College. He also wished the students all the best and asked them to serve the nation through their service. This year was a special one as the College released the first volume of its quarterly newsletter **Xavier Vista** and a book भाषायी कौशल: एक क्रियात्मक शोध by Dr. Shashi Rao. Principals of cooperating schools were also present at the function. The function ended with the College Anthem and a fellowship meal.



## भाषायी कौशल: एक क्रियात्मक शोध

भाषा शिक्षण में आनेवाला शिक्षक अपने शिक्षण-कार्य में प्रयोग एवं परीक्षण पर आधारित शोध-कार्य कर सकता है एवं अपने अध्यापन को अत्यन्त प्रभावकारी बना सकता है। डॉ० शशि राव द्वारा लिखित पुस्तक **भाषायी कौशल: एक क्रियात्मक शोध** एक आदर्श भाषा शिक्षक एवं हिन्दी भाषा के विद्यार्थियों के लिए अत्यन्त लाभकारी है। श्रवण, वाचन, लेखन पठन में होनेवाली अशुद्धियों के निवारणार्थ यह पुस्तक एक उचित प्रयास है जो शिक्षक एवं विद्यार्थी वर्ग को एक नया पथ, एक नयी दिशा की ओर उत्प्रेरित करेगी। इसके साथ ही विद्यार्थी वर्ग को भाषा की अच्छी पकड़ होगी एवं उनमें भाषा के प्रति अभिरुचि उत्पन्न होगी।

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## CHRISTMAS GET-TOGETHER

The College organized the Christmas gathering on 22nd December 2010. The programme started with the lighting of the lamp by Fr. Joe Maripuram S.J., (Rector), Prof. (Fr.) Thomas Perumalil S.J., (Principal) and other faculty members of the College and a prayer service. A short drama depicting the birth of Christ Jesus was presented by the B.Ed trainees. It was followed by Christmas carols in different languages like English, Hindi, Bhojpuri and Santhali. Another skit showcasing the problems of 2010 and expecting the solutions in 2011 was presented. The programme was a blend of traditional and modern concepts. The programme ended with a Christmas message by Prof. (Fr.) Thomas Perumalil S.J.



## Father Chandy Passes Away



Father Chandy Moolayil S.J., the Patna Province coordinator for Jesuit Alumni Association passed away on 23rd December, Thursday morning at Kurji Holy Family Hospital after a brief illness. He was buried on Friday at XTTI, Digha.

Born on August 24, 1937, Father Chandy came to Bihar in 1957 and taught at Ara Catholic School for one year before shifting to St. Michael High School, Patna, where he taught English for four years. Later on, he joined St. Xavier's High School in 1984 where besides teaching he looked after the St. Xavier's Alumni Association as its moderator. He also taught at De Nobili, Digwadih, Dhanbad, for four years before becoming the administrator of XTTI, Digha. Before breathing his last, Father Chandy was the minister at the St. Xavier's College. Father Chandy was associated with St. Xavier's College of Education, Patna, from the time Alumni Association started in 2003.

Members of SXCEAA and large number of teachers paid their last respects to the departed soul. The Principal and Staff of the College paid their respect and prayers for the departed soul. May his soul Rest in Peace.

## G.K. COMPETITION

A General Knowledge Competition was organized for the student-Teachers (B.Ed) of the present batch on January 15, 2011. This was to update the students with the current affairs and also to give them training on how to conduct GK competition in the school when they are employed.

The areas covered were History, Geography, Current Affairs, Science, Sports, Literature, Culture, Entertainment, IT and information about the College. Teams from all the four different houses took part in the Quiz. Mr. Deep Kumar, our college lecturer, was the Quiz master of the day and Prof. Dr. Preeti Sinha was the Jury of Appeal.

Tagore House stood First, Gandhi House second and Aurobindo House came third. The college Principal Prof. (Fr.) Thomas Perumalil, S.J. gave away the prizes. Speaking on the occasion the Principal congratulated the participants of different houses for taking interest and preparing well for the competition. He wished the students all the best for the future.



## SXCEAA Report

St. Xavier's College of Education Alumni Association, Patna, organized an Inter School Drawing Competition. 16 private and government schools of Patna took part in this competition. Priyanka Kumari of St. John's Academy won the first prize in Group A while Divyanshi Ratna of Notre Dame Academy was adjudged the winner in Group B and Sonali Srijan of NDA received first prize in Group C. Guest of honour Mr. Pravin Kumar (vice president of Tata Docomo), encouraged students to always participate in such activities. The President of SXCEAA, Fr. Jacob welcomed the guests. The Principal of St. Xavier's College of Education, Patna, Prof. Fr. Thomas Perumalil S.J., Vice-Principal of St. Xavier's College, Patna, Fr. Nishant and Fr. Chandy gave away the prizes to the winners.



## Communal Harmony Campaign

We the family of St. Xavier's College of Education, Patna, do believe in taking steps for helping and serving the society and the nation. As we believe in "we all are Indians, We all are one." Doing this we live our college motto **FOR GOD AND COUNTRY.**

For this the week of 19th to 25th November, 2010 was dedicated for Communal Harmony week. The total amount collected in the College towards this noble cause was Rs. 22,742 which was sent to the Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India.

## M.ED UNIVERSITY RESULTS

The first batch of M.Ed students of our College wrote their university examinations from 23rd October to 3rd November 2010. The results were declared by the Magadh University on 18th January 2011. Our college secured 100% pass.

Out of 25 students 18 got First Class with Distinctions and the rest passed in first Class. The toppers are : Namita Narayan with, (81.29%), Gyan Prakash, ( 80.43%) and Shazia Fatma, (80.43%). Congratulations to all the successful students. Principal and Staff of the College wishes you all the best for your future.

## KAVI SAMMELAN

A Kavi Sammelan was organized in St. Xavier's College of Education, Patna on 29th of January, 2011 in order to bring out the hidden talents in the Student-teachers of the present batch. The topic was **A Winter Night** (जाड़े की एक रात). Twelve students took part in the Kavi Sammelan in English and Hindi. All the students recalled their winter night experience that they had during their B.Ed. training days in December-January. In the English group Archana stood first, Maya second and Sona third. In the Hindi group Kushboo stood first, Chotelal and Vandana got the second place and Suresh got the third place. While giving away the first prize Fr. Ignatius Topno S.J., filled with enthusiasm encouraged the students by reciting a poem. He said this Kavi Ghosti was not the end but the starting point in every student's life.



## SXCEAA AT JAAI CONGRESS

The Sixth National Congress of the Jesuit Alumni Association of India (JAAI) was organized at St. Xavier's High School, Gandhi Maidan, Patna. Around 400 delegates, including Alumni members from across the world, came to the congress.

Adopting the four-point resolution the congress came to the conclusion that Public Private Partnership (PPP) is a must for improving the quality of education and its reach across the length and breadth of the country. Six Alumni members of St. Xavier's College of Education, Patna also took part in the congress as part of the host team.

## T.B. SEAL CAMPAIGN

The 61st TB Seal Campaign was organized at our college. The aim of the campaign was to create awareness among community and also to collect funds and generate resources for implementing anti-TB programmes. Student-teachers took part in promoting and intensifying anti-TB activities by collecting funds. A week long campaign was launched by the College Principal. As we know, tuberculosis is a silent killer. It can affect all sections of the society but the poor are particularly vulnerable. Moreover, the HIV/AIDS Pandemic and also the Multi-drug Resistant (MDR) TB threaten to make the situation worse. A total contribution of Rs. 2400/- was made by the college family to "The Bihar Tuberculosis Association" for a better service towards the society.

### ■ News in Brief

- ▶ Prof. Preeti Sinha, Dr. Shashi Rao and Dr. Madhu Singh attended a national seminar on 9th and 10th January, 2011 on the topic **Gender Equality : A Historical Perspective** held at Sri Arvind Mahila College, Patna, and presented a paper.
- ▶ Dr. Shashi Rao was awarded with Shankar Dayal Singh Memorial Award 2011 for her article on **Women Education** on 12th January, 2011.
- ▶ Principal (Prof.) Fr. Thomas Perumalil S.J., attended a National Conference organized by BETA on 29th and 30th of January, 2011 on the topic **Challenges of Education in 21st Century**.
- ▶ Principal (Prof.) Fr. Thomas Perumalil S.J., visited St. Mary's College of Education, Seydunganallur (Tamil Nadu) on 3rd and 4th February, 2011, as a NAAC Peer Team Member.
- ▶ Our College is getting ready to host a UGC sponsored National Seminar to be held on 23rd and 24th of March 2011 on the topic **Teacher Education : A National Challenge**. The seminar expects to be an invigorating experience for all.

*"The task of the excellent teacher is to stimulate 'Apparently Ordinary' people to unusual effort. The tough problem is not in identifying winners: it is in making winners out of ordinary people."~K. Patricia Cross*



### DATES TO REMEMBER (B.ED. ADMISSION)

1. Application forms\* given out : 1-15 April, 2011  
(8.00 a.m.-12.00 Noon)
2. Entrance Test (Written) : 15 June, 2011  
(8.00 a.m.-10.00 a.m.)
3. Interviews & Group Discussions : 16-18 June, 2011
4. List of candidates selected for Admission : 23 June, 2011  
(9.00 A.M.)
5. Date of Admission : 29-30 June, 2011  
(8.00 a.m.-11.00 a.m.)
6. Commencement of Classes : 4 July, 2011 (10.00 a.m.)

\* Application Forms can be downloaded from our college website [www.sxcepatna.edu.in](http://www.sxcepatna.edu.in). Filled up forms need to be submitted at the college office.

*"The teacher who is indeed wise does not bid you to enter the house of his wisdom but rather leads you to the threshold of your mind."*

~Khalil Gibran