



INVITATION

St. Xavier's College, Jaipur, in its pursuit of excellence in higher education, is organising a two-day National Workshop on the theme “**Mahatma Gandhi and Nation Building**” to celebrate the 150th birth anniversary of the Father of our Nation Mahatma Gandhi. We hereby invite the academicians, thinkers, research scholars and students across the country to make this endeavor a gateway to holistic learning and discussions. This platform would create an opportunity to understand and exchange views on the emerging challenges, which the nation is facing in the present day context.

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

Nation building is a multidimensional concept, which involves the process of unifying the people and creating a national identity. This process of nation building in modern India, with its multi layered diversity and a chequered history of invasions and colonial rule, has been an arduous uphill task. A wide range of individual thinkers contributed in their own ways to creating trajectories of India's nationhood. But the distinctiveness of Gandhi's contribution remains unparalleled as India under his stewardship became the first country to win its freedom by non-violent means. It has remained thereafter, the first democracy to be successful and sustainable in Asia and Africa with its embedded faith in 'Unity in Diversity'.

If combining ethics and politics was a life-long preoccupation of our 'Father of the Nation', battling against social and political justice was integral part of his personal moral code. He heralded 'transformativeness' by historic bridge building between the rich heritage of the past and future of the nation. Mahatma Gandhi as an exponent of nonviolence believed in peace, mutual love and truth as the foundational virtues for nation building. His emphasis was on value oriented education for the holistic development and character building of the youth.

Gandhian nation-building evolved through experiments aimed at building a non-violent social order through a communitarian approach with twin thrusts – a) character-building of men and women in the society, and b) socio-cultural, economic and political reforms based on togetherness of truth, non-violence, spirituality, selfless service, Swadeshi and Satyagraha. Village reconstruction, khadi, bread labor, love of nature, abolition of untouchability and equal respect towards all religions exhibit the constructive vision of Gandhi for Swaraj and nation-building in India. The Gandhian ideas and teachings which had an impact then have a powerful resonance even in the present times.

The world that we live in today is a very volatile, sensitive and a polarized one. With the advent of disruptive technology, and a global-village culture with its concomitant ills, individuals and societies are encountering multiple existential challenges. In these trying times call for an invigorated revision, and re-readings of Gandhian philosophy and its inclusion in our lives is imperative. It is with this purported aim that we at St. Xavier's College, Hathroi Fort, Jaipur in collaboration with Indian Society of Gandhian Studies (ISGS) are organizing a two day National Workshop - '**Mahatma Gandhi and Nation Building**' on 1st & 2nd October 2019.

The Workshop would focus on the following:

- **Gandhian Instruments of Nation Building**
- **Gandhian Concept of Rural Centric Way of Economy for India**
- **Historical Evolution of Gandhian Way of Nation Building**
- **Youth as Prime Movers of Society**
- **Character Building as the Foundation for Moral and Political Rejuvenation of Indian Nation**
- **Health and Sanitation: Frontiers of Swasthya Swaraj**
- **Gandhian Vision & Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**

STUDENT SYMBIOSIS

The aim of the workshop is to spread the Gandhian teachings amongst today's youth. Therefore, maximum student entries are invited for participation in the discussions and activities of the workshop being organized by various clubs of St. Xavier's College, Jaipur. Given below is a short description of the

description of the proposed activities.

For more details, kindly visit our college website- <http://stxaviersjaipur.in>

CLUBS CONSORTIUM

Spandan: The Literati Cell of St. Xavier's College, Jaipur is organising a '**Letter Writing Competition**' for all the pensive and pulsating minds of the country who ponder over the burning issues plaguing the society, the nation and the world at large and do not believe in simply criticising but prefer focusing on finding solutions.

Photomontage: The E-cell of St. Xavier's College, Jaipur proposes to organise a '**Collage Making Competition**' on “**Gandhian Perspective of the Role of Youth for Social Transformation**” with the aim of analysing the probable solutions of the social challenges in the present era from the youth's mindset.

Tech-Gen: The IT- cell is organising the '**Digital Poster Making Competition**' on the theme “**Life lessons from Mahatma Gandhiji**” aiming to visualize the learning from Gandhian philosophy among the youth.

Artistry: The Arts club of St. Xavier's College, Jaipur shall be organising a '**Poster Making Competition**' on the theme “**Gandhi and his Ideologies**” aiming to encourage creativity among students and to gauge their perceptual learning about Gandhian philosophy.

CERTIFICATION

The participation of the Letter writing competition, Collage making, Digital poster making and Poster making competitions shall be certified and winners will be awarded on 2nd October 2019.

REGISTRATION

Interested candidates can register online through our college website. On the spot registration is available with prior intimation to the Workshop Organizing Committee. The workshop does not levy any registration fee. For more details, kindly contact:

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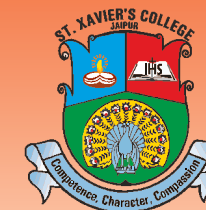
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ABOUT THE INSTITUTION



In 2010, the J.X.E.A. (Jaipur Xavier Educational Association) in collaboration with the Xavier alumni/ae and the well-wishers of Jaipur under the Leadership of Fr. Varkey Perekkatt, S.J., initiated a higher education programme by establishing St. Xavier's College, Jaipur to continue the work that St. Xavier wanted to do- promote human fulfillment by means of training and education in India following the motto of the founder of the society of Jesus, St. Ignatius, work for "the greater glory of God" (Ad majoremdeigloriam).

Since then the college has grown manifold serving the educational needs not only of the people of jaipur but also across the nation. The college was planted as a small sapling in 2010 with just five streams – English and Economics Honours, BBA, B.Com and BCA. In 2013 two post graduate courses were introduces owing to popular demand by parents, guardians, students and well-wishers – MA in English and MHRM. Today within a short span of nine years the college has grown into a sturdy oak with more than 2000 students further introducing Honours in political Science and Masters in Economics and IT.



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