

**Concluded at Amar Singh College:**



Marking the 75 years of India's Independence, celebrated as ***"Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav"***, the week long celebrations of Independence Day 2021 concluded at Amar Singh College with National Flag hoisting ceremony on the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021. The Worthy **Principal Bashir Ahmad Rather** on the occasion took the salute amidst the singing of the National Anthem. Addressing the gathering of teaching faculty, non teaching staff, NSS volunteers and NCC, Professor Rather threw detailed light on the post-Independence educational scenario from the implementation of the first five-year plan to the National Education Policies of 1968 and 1986. He deliberated upon the reforms and changes in education set-up by the introduction of the NEP 2020 launched in July 2020. The ceremonial celebrations ended with a pledge to strengthen the nation by imparting quality education to the youth - **"the Future of the Nation"**.



Earlier during the week, the college college over this week organised various activities and programmes including a Campus Swachhta Cleanliness Drive, various competitions including painting, singing, essay writing with a special focus on exploring various facets of the past 75 years of the nation. Special talks/lectures on the making of Indian nation were also organised to deliberate upon the various

historical, social and political dimensions of India's identity. During these week long celebrations, the students and faculty were actively engaged in exploring the ideas of nationalism, patriotism, communal harmony, national integration, community building, social commitments and contributions, and most important of all the development of the society and nation towards a progressive future.

The various events stretching over to a week organised by the College Seminars and Debates Committee in collaboration with the NSS, NCC, and the Departments of History and Political Science included:

1. Three day Campus Cleanliness Drive by NSS on 9<sup>th</sup> August;
2. Online Patriotic Singing Competition on 10<sup>th</sup> August which was adjudged by Dr. Mujahid Ahmad, Dr. Kausar Muzamil and Dr. Afshana Shafi. In the competition, the first prize was won by Mohd Asrar, second by Shakeel Mir while Saleem Bashir secured third rank.
3. Special talk on "Quit India Movement" by Dr. Abdul Wahid,
4. Online Painting Competition on "India's Freedom Struggle" on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021; in which the jury comprised of Dr. Tabasum Lone, Prof. Syed Kausar Andrabi and Dr. Afshana Shafi. The winners of the competition were Mehru Nisa securing first position, Romana Nabi securing second and Iqra Zargar being declared third.
5. Online essay competition on the theme "The Freedom Struggle of India" which was adjudged by Dr. Gazala Gayas, Head Department of English, Prof. Zahid Zaffar Department of Urdu and Prof. Jahan Ara, Department of Functional English. The winners of the competition were Mudasir Nazir with first position, Shahid Nabi with second and Fahad Fayaz as third winner.
6. Special Lecture/webinar on the theme "India at 75: Achievements and Developments" by Prof. Tafazul Hussain on 14th August 2021.



As the week came to an end with celebrations of pride and message of harmony and progressive development during the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day observance week, the college pledged to carry forward the celebrations for 75 weeks with more activities, programmes, competitions and events dedicated to the making of the nation at its platinum jubilee year.



