CENTRE FOR PROMOTION OF INCLUSIVITY SHIVAJI COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF DELHI



Inclusive society is one "equipped with mechanisms which accommodate diversity, and facilitate/enable people's active participation in their political, economic and social lives". It is also a society that "over-rides differences of race, gender, class, generation, and geography, and ensures equal opportunities for all to achieve full potential in life, regardless of origin" (The Department of Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations).

Centre for Promotion of Inclusivity is *an idea, a vision, a space* for an inclusive society. Students at Shivaji College come from diverse backgrounds and different regions, and they opt for different disciplinary studies. While curricula in certain disciplinary studies offer the scope for discussing social inequalities based on gender, sexualities, ethnicities, caste/religion, and so on, other studies seldom offer opportunities to discuss such issues due to curricular constraints. This centre, therefore, aims to provide a forum – outside the classroom – for deliberating on ideas and praxis that may promote social inclusion.

We take pride in the practices of inclusivity on campus: be it the special attention given to slow learners in classrooms, fee concessions and scholarships for economically disadvantaged students, facilities for students with physical and visual impairment, relaxation given to female students during admissions, and other measures. However, inclusive practices must also be informed by perspectives that reflect the spirit of democracy.

This centre has therefore been conceptualized:

- To promote civic learning among students and alleviate social exclusions and differences based on social constructs such as caste, class, ethnicity, religion, region, gender identities, disabilities, and so on
- To close the gap in our perception and dispel prejudices and stereotypes associated with any person(s) or group
- To assist and enhance learning that enables students to challenge and transform discriminating assumptions and knowledge constructions that undermine the democratic spirit of our country
- To promote a climate of non-violence; instill a culture of humanity, a spirit of integrity and dignity; and to cultivate respect for plurality and difference
- To offer a more humane outlook and encourage praxis of inclusivity in everyday lives, thereby deepening the democratic character of our country

Our Activities will involve:

- Orientation Session to the rationale and the objectives of the Centre for Promotion of Inclusivity
- Routine interaction sessions with experts and resource persons on issues and questions that may assist social inclusion
- Debate and Inter-group dialogues on contemporary social issues

- Learning through arts: theatrical performance and film screening for enhanced learning and instilling empathetic relations
- All activities and programmes will involve surveys among interested students to assess the pre-session and post-session impressions and conceptual understanding of topic of deliberation

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