Report 2010-2011

The Department of Geography started the new academic session with an Orientation Programme for the First Year students. This was followed by Association Elections in which three office bearers (President, Secretary And Treasurer) were elected from all the three years.

On 10th November Geography Festival, **Geo-Fest**, was organized by the students and teachers of the Department. The festival was inaugurated by the Principal, Dr. Minoti Chatterjee alongwith senior Professor H. Ramachandran. He also delivered an inaugural lecture on 'Eco-urbanisation'. Inter-college competitive events with geographical themes were organized such as Quiz, Just-A-Minute, Photography, Poster Making were conducted. The main theme of the festival was *Eco-urbanization*. The editorial team of the association with the help of Mr. Rajesh Kumar Abhay has also released a Newsletter on the same theme in March, 2011. The students not only participated with lot of enthusiasm but also won prizes for the same.

The Second Year students went on a field trip to Nainital where they did a geographical study of the region and collected primary data through questionnaire survey. They were accompanied by Dr. Sarita Ghai and Dr. Renu Malhotra.

Dr. Kalpana Bhakuni also organized a 'Certificate Course on **Ecotourism'**, which was attended by most of the students of the Department and students of other Colleges. We were fortunate to get very good resource persons from the tourism industry and academics to enlighten our students about the role of ecotourism in sustainable development. This course has helped to enhance knowledge of our students in tourism industry. At the end of the course the students were taken to the Yamuna Biodiversity Park, Wazirabad, Delhi.

We hope that the Department will continue to strive for greater achievements in academics with greater vigour and verve.