

St. Xavier's College [Autonomous], Kolkata.

An Overview – 2007-08

Founder :	REV. FR. H. DEPELCHIN, S.J.
Foundation Day:	16TH JANUARY, 1860
Motto:	“NIHIL ULTRA” (NOTHING BEYOND)
Aim:	TO FORM MEN & WOMEN FOR OTHERS
Place :	KOLKATA
State :	WEST BENGAL
Type of College :	CO-EDUCATION
Financial Category :	GRANT-IN-AID AND SELF FINANCING
Accredited by NAAC :	'A' Grade in 2003
Autonomy :	March 2006
Centre for Potential For Excellence (CPE):	2006
Centre of Excellence – 'EMMRC' :	1
Computer Centre :	1
Computer Labs :	3
Research Library :	1
Observatory :	1
Hostels :	3
MOUs :	6
Foreign Collaboration / Exchange :	4

Students : UG : 4679 PG : 303 TOTAL : 4982	Staff : TEACHING : 169 NON-TEACHING : 65 TOTAL : 234	Courses : UG : 16 PG : 4 OTHERS : 5
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Fr. Principal's Message

The year 2007... another year gone by in the forward march of an institution that is so much part of Kolkata. What have we achieved during the year that was? The XAVERIAN 2007 chronicles events and reports achievements at the academic, administrative, co-curricular, cultural, sports, social and other fields.

The year 2007 is historic and significant, as it risked to venture on the unknown path of autonomy, the Hon'ble Government of West Bengal Shri Gopalkrishna Gandhi initiating the launch. His inspiring and challenging words should guide all at SXC – Management, Staff, Students and Alumni- in the institutions onward march in search of excellence in making higher education inclusive with the freedom that comes with autonomy: "SXC now on will be judged on its own. Autonomy can be very lonesome, can be very awesome... I say this not to dampen your spirits of celebration but as someone who can be regarded as a member of the earlier generation, and as word of optimistic advice. Autonomy of SXC is not just going to test SXC, it is going to the test the concept of autonomous colleges... the laws of primo0geniture will apply.. you will be looked up to and you will also be judged.. Autonomy and the concept of autonomy will be judged and so when you make it succeed you will make the concept of autonomy succeed, no just St. Xavier's This is a moment of gain for the college, a moment of pride for the college.."

Among the other notable achievements of 2007 are the inauguration of two PG departments, M. Sc. (Physics) and M. Com. The Mou with Toonskool to offer B. Sc. Animation of KSOU and the MoU with IBM to train their recruits to appear for MS of Mysore University, the offering of certificate courses in Retail Management and in Real Estate Management in collaboration with CREDAI, Bengal are efforts in line with industry –academia interfacing. The renovated Chemistry and Physics laboratories, and the three computer labs with more than 100 computers, while offering state-of-the-art facilities, challenge staff and students to make technology a handmaid of effective teaching! There are many more achievements I could record and perhaps many failures too-opportunities misses due to our human limitations.. But I wish to take this opportunity to remind all that we have to stand together with trust in God. The next two years should see the institution climbing greater heights even as it enters the 150th year of its existence in 2010.

Yes, the year 2007 has made us proud. But it is important to recall at this juncture the words of the Governor on the occasion of the inauguration of Autonomy. "It is one thing to be proud of an institution, it is another to become a symbol of gain through loss, strength through the transformation of weakness, for the benefit of a larger community, and dedicate yourselves, St. Xavier's College, not to your greater glory but to the greater glory of the ambience in which you work!"

Rev. P.C. Mathew, S.J.
Principal



Autonomy Inauguration – July 2006
 Honoured by the presence of
 Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal - Shri Gopal Krishna Gandhi



Convocation and Valedictory Function – January 2008
 Honoured by the presence of
 Hon'ble Vice-President of India - Shri Mohammad Hamid Ansari





St. Xavier's College Building 1860



St. Xavier's College Main Building



St. Xavier's College Panoramic View



St. Xavier's College Jubilee Building

Some glimpses of 2007-08



Xavier's Management Convention



Library – Exhibition of rare documents



Seminar in Evaluation System



Seminar - Astrophysics



Central Library



Multimedia and Animation Lab