Evaluative Report of the Department

1. Name of the Department Department of Philosophy

2. Year of establishment

The Department was established in 1950 at University of Rajaputana, Jaswant College Building, Jodhpur and later shifted to University of Rajasthan, Jaipur in 1960.

3. Is the Department part of a School/Faculty of the university?

Yes, the Department is a part of the PG School of Humanities and Faculty of Arts

4. Names of programmes offered (UG, PG, M. Phil., Ph.D., Integrated Masters; Integrated Ph.D., D.Sc. D.Litt., etc.)

The Department offers UG (Pass) and (Hons.) courses at two constituent colleges of the University, namely University Rajasthan College and University Maharani College. Following Programmes are offered at the Department:

- M.A. in Philosophy(two years' programme)
- M. Phil.(one year programme)
- Ph.D. Programme
- D.Litt.

5. Interdisciplinary programmes and departments involved

The department has introduced various interdisciplinary courses. Some of such courses at PG level are special credit papers, namely, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Art, Philosophy of History, Applied Ethics, Environmental Studies, Human Rights, Feminism and Gender Studies, Philosophy of Mind etc. The Department also encourages pursuit of Ph.D. & M.Phil.in the above interdisciplinary areas.

6. Courses in collaboration with other Universities, industries, foreign institution etc. (Formal agreement/ understanding between any two or more institutions for training, research, student/faculty exchange or extension support)

Department is not running any course at present in collaboration with other Universities, industries, foreign institution etc.

7. Details of programmes discontinued, if any, with reasons
Department has not discontinued any programme in last five years or so.

8. Examination System: Annual/Semester/Trimester/Choice Based Credit System Semester system with grading

University has adopted annual examination scheme for UG courses while semester scheme with Choice Based Credit System is adopted for M.A & M. Phil. Courses in Philosophy. Department is also running one semester Pre Ph.D. course work without Credit system.

- 9. Participation of the department in the courses offered by other departments
 Faculty members of department are engaged in some other teaching units like Department of
 Education, Jain studies, Gandhian studies, and Yoga Centre for teaching as well as for
 research activities.
- 10. Number of teaching posts sanctioned, filled and actual (Professors/Associate Professors / Asst. Professors/others)

	Sanctioned	Filled	Actual (including CAS & MPS)
Professor	03	Nil	Nil
Associate Professors	07	Nil	02 CAS
Asst. Professors	10	06	06
Others (e.g. Chair etc. in	-	-	-
Dept.)			

11. Faculty profile with name, qualification, designation, area of specialization, experience and research under guidance

Following is the profile of faculty members of department (2009-15)

Name	Qualification	Designation	Specialization	No. of years of Experience	No. of Ph. D/ M. Phil. students guided for the last 4 years
Dr. R.P. Sharma	M.A., Ph.D., Acharya	Associate Professor & Head	Indian Philosophy, Ethics, Vyakaran	27	8/6 Ph.D:8 M.Phil:6
Dr. A.V. Singh	M.A., M. Phil., Ph.D.	Associate Professor	Indian Philosophy, Buddhism	19	2/3 Ph.D. :2 M.Phil:3
Anubhav Varshney	M.A., Ph. D. [Pursuing]	Assistant Professor	Buddhism, Existentialism, Epistemology, Analytic philosophy	4	Nil
Dr. Manish Sinsinwar	M.A., Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	Socio-political philosophy and Ethics	1	Nil
Manish Gothwal	M.A.	Assistant Professor	Modern and Postmodern Western Philosophy and	1	Nil

			History of Science		
Dr. Vinita	M.A., Ph.D.	Assistant	Philosophy of	-	Nil
Nair		Professor	Religion	2.0	2.10
Prof. Sarla	M.A., Ph. D.	Professor	Legal, Moral,	30	3/0
Kalla		Retd. [2010]	Social	(including 07	Ph.D: 3
			Philosophy	years as	M.Phil: 0
				Research	
				Associate)	
Dr. Naseem	M.A. M.	Associate	Western		2/1
Quazi	Phil., Ph. D.	Professor	Philosophy,	15	Ph. D: 2
		Retd.	Religion and		M.Phil:1
		[2012]	Philosophy of		
			Science		
Prof. Kusum	M.A. M. Phil,	Professor	Moral	38	8/0 Ph. D: 8
Jain	Ph. D, LL.B	Retd.	Political, Legal		M. Phil: 0
		[2014]	Philosophy,		
			Jainism		
Prof. Yogesh	MA, M. Phil.	Professor	Indian	35	5/ 8 Ph.D:5
Gupta	Ph.D.	Retd.	Philosophy,		M.Phil.: 8
•		[2015]	Formal Logic		

12. List of senior Visiting Fellows, adjunct faculty, emeritus professors Visiting Fellows:

No senior visiting fellow, adjunct faculty or emeritus professors is involved with the department. However following renowned scholars visited the department during 2009 -15:

1.	Prof. B. Pahi	University of Rajasthan (Ex-Faculty member,			
		University of Notre dame)			
2.	Prof. V.N. Jha	University of Pune			
3.	Prof. R.S. Bhatnagar	University of Rajasthan			
4.	Prof. Ramakant Angiras	Punjab University, Chandigarh.			
5.	Prof. Ashok Vohra	University of Delhi			
6.	Prof. S.P. Gautam	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.			
7.	Shri Yashdev Shalya	Darshan Pratisthan, Jaipur			
8.	Prof. K.L Sharma	University of Rajasthan			
9.	Prof. Purushottama	University of California, Berkeley			
	Billimoria				
10.	Prof. S.R. Bhatt	University of Delhi			
11.	Prof. A. D. Sharma	SHSG University, Sagar			
12.	Prof. R.P. Singh	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.			
13.	Prof. Mrinal Miri	NEHU, Shillong and Member, Rajya Sabha			
14.	Prof. Asha Mukherjee	Vishwabharati, Shanti Niketan			
15.	Prof. Madhu Khanna	IGNCA & Jamia Millia Islamia			

13. Percentage of classes taken by temporary faculty programme-wise information

30% classes in Under Graduate Programmes were being taken by Retired Faculty Members and Guest Lecturers during 2009-2014.

Present Position (2014 onwards): 16.66% of the classes at UG level taken by Retired Faculty and Guest Lecturers, remaining 83.33% of classes taken by permanent faculty members. At PG level 100% classes taken by in-service and permanent faculty members.

14. Programme-wise Student Teacher Ratio

Following is the approximate programme-wise Student Teacher Ratio in different courses:

- UG- 70:1
- PG- 15:1
- 15. Number of academic support staff (technical) and administrative staff: sanctioned, filled and actual

Following is the position of ministerial, technical staff:

	Sanctioned	Filled	Actual
Technical	1	Nil	Annual Contract 1
Administrative	2	1	Annual Contract 1
Others (e.g. on annual	Nil	Nil	The TCO(1) and the
contract basis: office			LDC(1) posts are
staff/computer operator/			filled on Annual
Peon/ Gardner/Sweeper /			Contract Basis
Guards etc.)			

16. Research thrust areas as recognized by major funding agencies of the department/centre based on

Major funding agencies have recognized following thrust areas for research:

- Thrust Areas recognized by UGC CAS Programme Phase I (2005-2010):
 - ➤ Logic and Philosophy of Science
 - ➤ Indian Philosophy, Vyakaran Darshan
 - Legal, Political, Social, Moral Philosophy
 - Religious Studies and Aesthetics.
- Thrust Areas recognized by UGC CAS Phase II (2014-2019):
 - Modern Indian Philosophy
- 17. Number of faculty with ongoing projects from
 - a) national funding agencies

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b) international funding agencies and

NIL

c) Total grants received.

2.0 Lacs

Give the names of the funding agencies, project title and grants received project-wise.

• Dr. R.P. Sharma- ICPR Project, New Delhi, entitled, "Vividha Geetaon ka Anusandhan", w.e.f. 1st March 2013, Total Grant: 2.0 lac

- 18. Inter-institutional collaborative projects and associated grants received
 - a) National collaboration

Nil

b) International collaboration
Nil

- 19. Departmental projects funded by DST-FIST; UGC-SAP/CAS, DPE; DBT, ICSSR, AICTE, etc.; total grants received.
 - Department has received a total grant of Rs.60 lacs under CAS Phase I (2005-2010).
 - ➤ The Department has been sanctioned a total grant of Rs.119 lacs for CAS Phase II (2014-2019). The approved sanction is yet to be received.
- 20. Research facility / center with
 - State recognition

Nil

• National recognition

UGC has recognized the department as a Centre for Advanced Studies (Phase I 2005-2010, Phase II 2014-2019)

21. Special research laboratories sponsored by/created by industry or corporate bodies Nil

22. Publications:

• Number of papers published in peer reviewed journals (national/international):

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Nil

 Citation Index – range / average(means the number of times a research papers it is referred to by other researchers in refereed journals and is a measure of validity of its contents)

Nil

• SNIP (Source Normalized Impact per Paper)

Nil

• SJR (SC Imago Journal Rank)

Nil

• Impact Factor – range / average Only for university

Nil

H-index name of Department should appear in that research paper Nil

23. Details of patents and income generated

Nil

24. Areas of consultancy and income generated

Nil

25. Faculty selected nationally / internationally to visit other laboratories / institutions/ industries in India and abroad

Nil

26. Faculty serving in

a) National committees

Nil

b) International committees

Nil

c) Editorial Boards

Dr. R.P. Sharma is a member of Editorial board of Prachi-Jyoti: Digest of Indological Studies, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra and Shri Vidya Mantra Mahayoga, Shri Vidya Sadhna Peeth, Varanasi.

d) another

Nil

27. Faculty recharging strategies (UGC, ASC, Refresher / orientation programs, workshops, training programs and similar programs)

Department has organized the following recharging programmes during 2009-15:

S.No	Name of	Title	Duration	Funding	Name of the co-
	Project			Agencies	coordinator
1.	Refresher	Comparative	7 th January	UGC	Coordinator Prof. Kusum
	Course	Religion	2013 to 26 th		Jain, Department of
			January 2013		Philosophy, Co-
					coordinator, Prof. Anil
					Jain, Department of
					Hindi
2.	Refresher	Sanskrit	30 th Dec.	UGC	Co-coordinator Dr. R.P.
	Course	Evam Lok	2013 to 16 th		Sharma, Associate
		Jeevan	Jan. 2014		Professor, Department of
					Philosophy, Coordinator,
					Prof. Bina Agarwal,
					Department of Sanskrit

28. Student projects

percentage of students who have done in-house projects including interdepartmental projects

Not Applicable

- percentage of students doing projects in collaboration with other universities/ industry / Nil
- 29. Awards / recognitions received at the national and international level
 - Faculty Members

Dr. R.P. Sharma:

- > Saraswat Sammanpatra by Sahitya Parishad, Lakshmangarh Sikar in March 2010
- Varishtha Lekhak Samman by Shri Vidhya Sadhna Peeth, Kashi, in Aug. 2010

- ➤ Shikha Ratna Puraskar, Indian International Friendship Society, New Delhi. Sept. 2010
- ➤ Pt. Govardhan Lal Vyas Puraskar by Vyas Balabaksha Shodha Sansthana, Jaipur in May 2011
- Sanskritshastra Puraskar on a work entitled *Vyakaranshastriyanusandhanam by* Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy in July 2012. The award was given by Honorable Chief Minister of Rajasthan
- ➤ Shri Karpatra Swami Sodhasanandnath Smriti Puraskar by Shri Vidhya Sadhna Peeth Kashi, in July, 2012. The felicitation comprised of an award money of Rs.51,000/-
- Vivekanand Gaurav Samman by Rajasthan Chhatra Yuva Sansthan, Jaipur in Feb. 2013
- ➤ Pt. Vireshwar Shastri Vyakaran Samman by Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy in July 2013. The award was given by Honorable Governor of Gujarat, Smt. Kamala
- Felicitation by Pt. Badri Prasad Maharshi Sanskrit and Vedic Adhyayan Santhan on occasion of Pt. Badri Prasad Maharshi's birth anniversary, in March 2014
- ➤ Best Research Paper Award by Akhil Bharatiya Darshan Parishad at its annual conference at Jabalpur, in October 2014
- Post-doctoral / doctoral fellows:

Nil

Students

Nil

30. Seminars/ Conferences/Workshops organized and the source of funding (national/international) with details of outstanding participants, if any.

Department has organized following Seminars and Academic Programmes:

- ➤ 28-29 March, 2011: Two Days Seminar on "Various Dimensions of Environmental Ethics".
- ➤ Dec. 17, 2012: World Philosophy Day special lecture on "Dialectics of knowledge and Power", Sponsored by ICPR, New Delhi
- ➤ Jan. 27, 2012: एकदिवसीय संगोष्ठी" तकनीकी एवं मृल्य".
- ➤ Dec. 12, 2013: One day symposium on "Self and Corruption", Sponsored by ICPR
- ➤ Jan. 13-15, 2014: A three day long National Seminar on "Philosophical Reasoning", in association with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation, Sponsored by ICPR
- February 23, 2014: A One Day National seminar on "Philosophy in Practice: Making Sense of Human Existence", in collaboration with the Society for Philosophical Praxis Counseling and Spiritual Healing.
- February 2015: A two day long [21st & 22nd February] National Seminar on "Moral Commitments, Responsibility and Human Relations" held in collaboration with Society for Philosophical Praxis Counseling and Spiritual Healing.
- February 2015: A two day long [27th & 28th February] National Seminar on "Shakti Sadhana Vidhi Evam Darshan" held in collaboration with Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy.
- ➤ April 2015: The Department started a series of "Weekly Departmental Seminars", so far ten such seminars have been held in the Department.

➤ April 2015: A one day long [28th April] Sukhdev Shastri Sangoshthi on 'Purushartha Mimamsa in Nyaya-Vaishesika'

Public lectures:

- March, 30th 2012: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture by Prof. Mrinal Miri on 'Anthropology and Philosophy', in collaboration with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation
- ➤ January 2013: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture by Prof. Deen Chatterjee on 'Justice', in collaboration with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation
- ➤ January 16, 2014: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture by Prof. Richard Sorabji, in collaboration with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation
- October 2014: Lecture on Brahmana Granthon Mein Vaigyanika Darshan by Prof. Dayanand Bhargava in collaboration with Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy
- ➤ December 2014: Lecture on 'Sri Aurobindo on Crisis before Human Civilization' by Dr. Alok Pandey (Arvind Ashram, Pondicherry)
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- April 2015: Lecture on 'Purushartha Mimamsa in Nyaya-Vaishesika' by Prof. Bishwambhar Pahi
- 31. Code of ethics for research followed by the departments

 Codes of ethics for research is followed as per UGC and University of Rajasthan norms.

32. Student profile programme-wise:

Programme wise student profile:

Name of the Programme	Applications received	Sel	ected	Pass pe	rcentage
		Male	Female	Male	Female
P.G. Programme					
2009 – 2010	116	50	34	85	85
2010-2011	157	53	44	85	90
2011-2012	120	47	38	90	90
2012 -2013	57	25	17	90	90
2013-2014	77	29	21	90	85
2014-2015	56	23	22	85	85
M. Phil. Programme					
2009 – 2010	16	01	12	100	100
2010-2011	-	-	-	-	-
2011-2012	-	-	-	-	-
2012 -2013		1	3	100	66.66
2013-2014		1	1		
2014-2015		2	1		
Ph. D. Programme					
2.009 - 2.010	11	10	5	100	100

2010-2011	8	7	100	100
2011-2012	3	5	100	100
2012 -2013	-	-		
2013-2014	-	-		
2014-2015	1	1		

33. Diversity of students

Following is the diversity of students:

Name of the Programme	% of students from the same university	% of students from other universities within the State	% of students from universities outside the State	% of students from other countries
PG	85%	10%	5%	Nil
M. Phil.	80%	15%	5%	Nil
Ph. D.	88%	8%	3%	Nil

34. How many students have cleared Civil Services and Defense Services examinations, NET, SET, GATE and other competitive examinations? Give details category-wise.

As per available information nearly 05 students have cleared Central and state level Civil Services Exams., approximately 20 students have cleared NET exam, 05 students have cleared SET exam, 10 students joined School Teacher services and 20 students joined services in Private Sector.

35. Student progression

Following is an approximate estimate of student progression:

Student progression	Percentage against enrolled
UG to PG	30%
PG to M. Phil.	15%
PG to Ph.D.	15%
Ph.D. to Post-Doctoral	02%
Employed	
 Campus selection 	01%
Other than campus recruitment	20%
Entrepreneurs	17%

36. Diversity of staff (Present faculty)

Following is the diversity of staff in the department:

Percentage of faculty who are graduates			
of the same university	50% (3/6)		
from other universities within the State	16.66% (1/6)		
from universities from other States	33.33% (2/6)		
from universities outside the country	-		

- 37. Number of faculty who were awarded M. Phil., Ph.D., D.Sc. and D.Litt. during the assessment period (2009- till date)
 - Dr. Vinita Nair was awarded Ph.D. in May 2014.
- 38. Present details of departmental infrastructural facilities with regard to
 - a) Library

Department has following two libraries:

- ➤ Daya Krishna Departmental library in Department with nearly 2000 Books and Journals
- ➤ CAS library in SAP building with nearly 10000 Books and Journals
- b) Internet facilities for staff and students

Wi-Fi and LAN facilities are provided to all faculty members, research scholars and PG students through University INFONET center.

- c) Total number of class rooms
 - 02 Class rooms, 01 Seminar room
- d) Class rooms with ICT facility
 Nil
- e) Students' laboratories

One Computer Lab for students

f) Research laboratories Nil

- 39. List of doctoral, post-doctoral students and Research Associates
 - a) from the host institution/university since 2009

Following is the detail of students who obtained Ph.D. degree:

- Meenakshi Chodhary-23.10.2011
- Surendra Kumar Siloliya-18.2.2011
- > Santhosh Chouhan-26.2.2011
- > Prashant-9.6.2011
- > Yogeshwar Sharma-10.6.2011
- Preeti Singh-26.6.2011
- ➤ Brijesh Kumar Dayama-2.1.2012
- Kriti Joshi-6.1.2012
- Vidhya Sagar-6.1.2012
- ➤ Jitendra Singh-13.2.2012
- Neelam-30.6.2012
- Upendra Panchal-12.4.2012
- Poonam Singh-31.7.2012
- ➤ Meenakshi Meena-28.8.2012
- > Sapna Gupta-15.9.2012
- Pankaj Basotia-17.9.2012
- ➤ Lokesh Kumar Sharma-3.10.2012
- > Ayushman Goswami-20.4.2013
- Udai Singh- 24.5.2013

- Salman Arshad- 3.9.2013
- Rekha Dadhich- 3.9.2013
- ➤ Kanchan Sharma- 3.9.2013
- ➤ Vijayshree Chotia- 20.12.2013
- Rajeshwari Meena- 20.2.2014
- ➤ Monika Kapoor- 13.3.2014
- Nistha Kothari-3.5.2014
- Vinita Nair-19.5.2014
- Chandreshwar Prasad Singh-13.9.2014
- Rewant Ram Sai- 5.11.2014
- Pooja Sharma-20.2.2015
- Renu Gautam-25.4.2015

List of Registered Doctoral Candidates whose research work is under progress:

- > Archana Sharma
- Dharmraj Verma
- Gunjan Sharma
- Maina Jeengar
- Mamta Kumari
- Vinita Sharma
- Shyam Prakash Pareek
- > Kanchan Soral
- Deep Prabha Sharma
- Yogendar Kumar Sharma
- ANil Kumar Jaiman
- Ritu Dubey
- Komudi Choudhary
- > Shweta
- > Anju Meena
- Sunita Choudhary
- Babita Bokan
- Vimla Vishnoi
- Jyoti Khunteta
- Kapil Kumar
- Brij Kanwar Rathore
- Vijay Dhankar
- Hemraj Meena
- > Samar Gul
- ► Ghanshyam Bithu
- > Seema Bhadu
- Vidhya Vipul Sharma
- Ajay Sinwar
- Durgesh Soni
- Vidhyatri
- Sameer Kumar

- Madhuri Tomar
- b) From other institutions / universities
 - Ritu Dubey
 - ➤ Kanchan Sharma
 - Poonam Singh
 - Brij Kanwar Rathore
 - Chanderashwar Prasad Singh
 - Mamta Kumari
 - > Ajay Siwar
 - Durgesh Soni
 - Rewant Ram Sai
 - > Seema Bhadu
 - Ghanshyam Bithu
- (c) Post doctoral students
 - > Dr. Shelly
 - Dr. Ruchi Tyagi
- (d) Research Associates

Nil

40. Number of post graduate students getting financial assistance from the university.

Department/University provides following scholarships to its students:

- ➤ Daya Krishna Meritorious Scholarship for the first two post graduate students standing in order of merit since 2009[two each year].
- > Sukhdev Shastri Scholarship for the topper of Semester III and IV.
- ➤ Dean, Students Welfare Fund, UOR, Jaipur [approx. two each year]
- 41. Was any need assessment exercise undertaken before the development of new programme(s)? If so, highlight the methodology.

Yes the department undertakes need assessment exercises before the development of new programmes. Changes are introduced only after consent, deliberations and discussions amongst members of the faculty, concerning teachers, regarding development of new programme, introduction of new course content or scheme of examination. Furthermore, the need of introducing course or course content is sometimes based on the demands and suggestions from the students. The curriculum is also upgraded and updated as per the changing structure and demand of both academia and competitive world.

- 42. Does the department obtain feedback from
 - a) Faculty on curriculum as well as teaching-learning-evaluation? If yes, how does the department utilize the feedback?

A thorough opinion and feedback of the concerned faculty members is obtained on the issue regularly and changes are made in curriculum and methods of teaching-learning-evaluation, accordingly. All minor and major changes made in the above are finalized at meetings of Board of Studies and Departmental Staff Council.

- b) Students on staff, curriculum and teaching-learning-evaluation and how does the department utilize the feedback?
 - The department regularly obtains feedback from different groups of students about the different programmes of teaching, curriculum/ teaching -learning-evaluation /research guidance. Such feedback is discussed at Staff Council Meetings and adequate reforms are made as per the needs and aspirations of students. Within the ambit of classroom teaching students are encouraged to express their views and opinions on both the method as well as content of what is being taught.
- c) Alumni and employers on the programmes offered and how does the department utilize the feedback?

The opinion of distinguished alumni and employers is obtained in order to match pace with the demands of external world and changing face of employment market. In order to make the course and students employable, every care is taken to ensure that the course contents of the department reflect the changing needs of the society and the world market.

43. List the distinguished alumni of the department

- ➤ Mahesh Daga (Oxford Research Fellow & owns a News Agency)
- Bhanwar Singh Shekhawat, Retd. GM: NABARD
- Asha Mukherjee, Professor West Bengal University, Shanti Niketan.
- ➤ K.L. Sharma, Retd. Professor Department of Philosophy, Director of SPPCSH and of IAG[Indian Association of Gerontology], also chief editor of International Journal of Gerontology and a Gandhi scholar
- R.C. Das, Professor, Utkal University.
- Lopamudra Choudhary, Associate Professor, Jadavpur University.
- Rajni Bakshi, A well-known social activist and a creative writer
- Niyajee, I.A.S. (Allied)
- Rakesh Agarwal, I.A.S. (Allied)
- Sumer Ratnoo, I.A.S (Allied)
- Rajpal Singh Shekhawat, Minister for Urban Development and Housing and Local Self Government, Government of Rajasthan
- Yogeshwar Sharma, IRS
- 44. Give details of student enrichment programmes (special lectures / workshops /seminar) involving external experts.

Department has organized the following enrichment programmes for students:

• Lectures

- February 14th, 2011: Prof. Max. L. Velmans, University of London, on "Reflexive Monism", in association with ICPR, New Delhi.
- ➤ October 22nd, 2011: Discussion on "Do Women have Equal Right to Worship and Follow the Religion". Jointly organized by CAS Philosophy, Indo German Society & University of Rajasthan Women Association.
- ➤ December 3rd, 2011: Lecture by Prof. F.C.M. Dastur, University of Nice Sophia, Antipolice, France, on "Understanding Existentialism", in association with ICPR.

- February 7th, 2012: Lecture by Prof. Lenoard Harris, U.S.A. (Purdue University, Lafayette Indiana) on "Tolerance" in association with ICPR.
- ➤ March, 30th 2012: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture by Prof. Mrinal Miri on 'Anthropology and Philosophy', in association with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation.
- ➤ January 2013: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture by Prof. Deen Chatterjee on 'Justice', in association with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation.
- ➤ September 17th, 2013: Daya Krishna Memorial Lecture on "Engagements in Social Philosophy with Daya Krishna" by Prof. Satya P. Gautam, in association with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation, Sponsored by ICPR, New Delhi
- > September 21st, 2013: Lecture on "Relevance of Philosophy" by Prof. V.N. Jha.
- ➤ January 16th, 2014: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture by Prof. Richard Sorabji, in association with Daya Krishna Academic Foundation.
- ➤ October 2014: Lecture on Brahmana Grantho Mein Vaigyanika Darshan by Prof. Dayanand Bhargava, in collaboration with Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy.
- ➤ December 2014: Lecture on 'Sri Aurobindo on Crisis before Human Civilization' by Dr. Alok Pandey (Arvind Ashram, Pondicherry).
- ➤ January 2015: Daya Krishna Memorial Public Lecture on, 'Daya Krishna in Australia' by internationally acclaimed philosopher Prof. Purushottam Billimoria (University of California, Berkeley)
- Celebrating 'World Philosophy Day' in which scholars are invited to give special lecture.
- A Daya Krishna Memorial Lecture is organized once a year as a Public Lecture.
- A Smrti Sangosthi organized on 17th September/5thOctober in the memory of Daya Krishna.
- Celebrating Youth Day [January 12th], Shahid Divas [January 23rd], Environment Day [June 5th], National Education Day [November 11th] by arranging lectures/group discussions.
- A monthly Seminar of research scholars of the Department was continuously held under UGC CAS Programme [2007-2010].
- From April 2015, the Department started a series of "Weekly Departmental Seminars", so far ten such seminars have been held in the Department.

45. List the teaching methods adopted by the faculty for different programmes.

Faculty members normally adopt blackboard teaching during their class room teaching along with power point presentation method for better illustration. Department also organizes tutorials, Student Seminars, Group Discussions, outdoor activities, tours, in order to enhance the learning.

46. How does the department ensure that programme objectives are constantly met and learning outcomes are monitored?

Programme objectives are monitored by discussion with faculty members about students' assessment, continuous evaluation and internal assessment in addition to the assessment of the performance of students in the end of semester exams. Seminars and Viva-Voce exams are conducted on completion of project work.

47. Highlight the participation of students and faculty in extension activities.

Students are encouraged to participate in cultural programmes in the department and other programmes organized by the university such as NSS, NCC, Inter College Youth Festivals, Inter – College Tournaments, personality development programmes and Career counseling and programmes of Administrative services-training etc. The faculty in the college and in the department celebrates National Education Day, Earth Day, World Philosophy Day, Youth Day, and Environmental Awareness Programmes.

48. Give details of "beyond syllabus scholarly activities" of the department.

Department organizes interactive lectures by scholars of national and international repute. Some of the prominent scholars and philosophers who visited the department in recent past in this regard and interacted with our students are:

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1.	Prof. B. Pahi	University of Rajasthan (Ex-Faculty member,
		University of Notre dame)
2.	Prof. V.N. Jha	University of Pune
3.	Prof. R.S. Bhatnagar	University of Rajasthan
4.	Prof. Asha Mukherjee	Vishwabharati, Shanti Niketan
5.	Prof. Ashok Vohra	University of Delhi
6.	Prof. S.P. Gautam	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
7.	Shri Yashdev Shalya	Darshan Pratisthan, Jaipur
8.	Prof. K.L. Sharma	University of Rajasthan
9.	Prof. D.Charan	Department of Philosophy, Gujarat University
10.	Prof. S.R. Bhatt	University of Delhi, New Delhi
11.	Prof. A. D. Sharma	SHSG University, Sagar
12.	Prof. R.P. Singh	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
13.	Prof. Mrinal Miri	NEHU, Shillong and Member, Rajya Sabha
14.	Prof. Purushottam	University of California, Berkeley
	Billimoria	

- 49. State whether the programme/ department is accredited/ graded by other agencies?
- 50. Briefly highlight the contributions of the department in generating new knowledge, basic or applied.

Syllabus of the various teaching programmes is continuously updated in accordance to the objective of expansion and excellence in the subject. For this besides core theoretical papers various papers have been introduced which are interdisciplinary in nature. Also, most of them being applied in nature are related to the emerging trends and thus have a direct greater social relevance. These special papers are placed under the category of the elective papers so that students of other subjects can be attracted to the discipline.

51. Detail five major Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges (SWOC) of the department

Following are the major Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges of the department:

Strengths

- CAS Status: The Department is one of the most prestigious seats of learning in the campus as well as in the country so far as the subject is concerned. It is only one of the four or five Departments of Philosophy in the country to have a "Centre of Advanced Studies" status at present. It has received all the Major Assistance Programmes from UGC [ULP; SAP Phase I, II, III, & IV with state plan Assistance] and upgraded in UGC-CAS programme [Phase I 2005-2010 & Phase II 2014-2019]. It also received UGC-ASIHSS programme [2004-2007].
- Rich Legacy: The Department has a rich history of having eminent scholars as faculty members and students. Prof. P.T. Raju, Prof. Daya Krishna, Prof. Bishwabhar Pahi, Prof. Ramchandra Gandhi, Prof. R.S. Bhatnagar are some of the well-known scholars and philosophers who added to the glory of the department as faculty members. This rich legacy is the strongest asset of the department.
- Committed teachers and researchers: It has rare combination of good teachers and visionary research scholars in the faculty. The teachers and researchers have initiated several academic programmes. The teachers of the department started a unique series of "Weekly Departmental Seminars" in order to provide a regular platform for expression to the students.
- Abundant Resources: The Department has abundant resources- both academic and technological. It has two separate buildings, one for teaching and another for research. The department has large collection of books related to different areas of Philosophy. Daya Krishna Departmental library and CAS library in SAP building are full with both classics & current books and journals.
- Small Size: The Department is small in size, so far as quantity of students and teachers is concerned. This small size facilitates a healthy interaction among teachers and students, thus rendering it into a well-knit academic family.

Weaknesses

- Dearth of job opportunities in the subject:

 Despite being the richest discipline of human learning, Philosophy is poor enough to provide employability, as not many job opportunities are available in the subject.
- Lack of Adequate Number of teachers:
 Despite that recently four new teachers have joined the department, it is still imperative to fill the remaining sanctioned teaching positions, to ensure a proper TTR and good research work.
- Lack of Adequate Number of Non- Teaching staff members: The department is in a dire need of more non-teaching employees. At the minimum it requires one regular full-time Librarian and more clerical and fourth class employees.
- Dearth of technical machinery: The department has a single and almost dysfunctional photocopier machine, and only one printer. At least 10 desktops & 3 printers are required. The department also needs a water cooler.

Lack of Geographical Contiguity between main department & CAS building: The
two buildings are separated by about a kilometer of distance which obstacles easy
access & movement.

Opportunities

• Good Teaching Programmes:

The department offers B.A Honours, B.A Pass Course, M.A., M. Phil. and Ph.D. Programmes in Philosophy. At P.G. and U.G. level, it offers variety of optional papers covering almost every area of the discipline. The curriculum at P.G. level lays emphasis on inter-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary study which makes the curriculum interesting and relevant to society.

• Innovation in Research:

Renewal of 'Jaipur Experiment', a dialogue between philosophers of Eastern and Western tradition, initiated by Prof. Daya Krishna may prove to be a good platform for scholars of philosophy of both the traditions.

- Publication opportunities:
 - The departmental journal, *Journal of Foundational Research*, has given a platform to researchers and scholars of the discipline to express their ideas.
- Carrying on the legacy of Department: It is an opportunity for the faculty and especially for new teachers to re-build its legacy.
- Good Research Programme: To revive and continue hardcore foundational research in the thrust areas of the department.

Challenges

- Restore the lost prestige of the Department. Preserve and expand the vision and the contribution in the subject made by the scholars of the department since its inception.
- Recruitment of the best minds in the faculty, in order to contribute in reestablishing the department as a good center of research activities
- Increasing the enrolment of students in U.G. & P.G. Programmes in the constituent and private colleges of the city and making the subject more relevant in society by inculcating values in students to become good citizens.
- Expanding infrastructural amenities including civil, electrical and technical amenities.
- Creating job-opportunities for students by making a serious effort for introducing Philosophy as a compulsory subject at school level.

52. Future plans of the department.

Following are the major future plans of the department:

- The Department plans to agitate before governmental authorities for creation of job-opportunities for students by introduction of Philosophy as a compulsory subject at school level.
- Introducing a variety of new courses which will make the subject more popular and interesting and attract more young minds from natural sciences and social sciences in the discipline.

- Completion of the research projects proposed in the CAS Phase II with the help of Research Associates and Project Fellows.
- To realize the goals of excellence in class-room teaching in various teaching programmes of the department.
- Expansion of areas of research by reiteration of the contribution made by the thinkers and committed teachers of the department in the realm of Indian Philosophical systems.
- Systematic efforts will be made to make Philosophy more practical or applied in nature by providing philosophical counseling on the basis of the ancient Indian scriptures which are a storehouse of timeless wisdom.
- Students will be encouraged to learn Sanskrit / Pali / Prakrit if they are interested in doing research in Indian philosophy.