

# **Annual Cultural & Educational Report (2025-2026)**

## **Institutional Overview and Leadership**

This comprehensive annual report chronicles the cultural, patriotic and educational milestones achieved by the Sacred Heart College of Art and Science, Dhani, during the reporting period of January 2025 through January 2026. Under the guidance of our dedicated administration, the college has maintained its tradition of excellence, blending academic rigor with a vibrant extracurricular life that celebrates both national heritage and student talent.

The leadership of the college saw a significant and seamless transition during this cycle, ensuring the continued growth of the institution. The executive oversight was provided by the Director Brothers, with Brother Arul Swami serving in the early part of 2025. A significant milestone in the college's executive leadership occurred mid-year with the arrival of Director Brother Dr. Samuel Paulraj.

## **Foundational Events and Student Departures**

### **International Yoga Day**

The institutional calendar for the year commenced with a focus on holistic health. The annual observance of Yoga Day was held on January 11, 2025, beginning promptly at 9:00 AM. The program saw the enthusiastic participation of the entire staff and student body. The session opened with the performance of Surya Namaskar, followed by a series of general yoga practices and exercises designed to promote physical and mental well-being across the campus community.

### **Republic Day Celebrations**

On January 26, 2025, the college celebrated the 76th Republic Day with a formal ceremony at 9:00 AM. The flag-hoisting ceremony was performed with great dignity by Director Brother and Principal Dr. B. L. Chouhan, followed immediately by the collective singing of the National Anthem (Rashtragan). The morning was enriched by a colorful cultural program featuring patriotic songs, speeches and dance performances by the students. The event concluded on a celebratory note with the distribution of refreshments to all attendees.

### **Farewell Ceremony**

On February 12, 2025, a formal Farewell Ceremony was organized at 11:00 AM to honor the departing final-year students of the B.A. and B.Sc. programs.

- Honorees: Final year B.A. and B.Sc. students (Batch 2022-2025).

- **Ceremonial Acts:** The proceedings began with the traditional Saraswati Puja, the lighting of the lamp, and the offering of floral tributes (Pushpahar) led by the Principal and Director Brother.
- **Student Interactions:** In a gesture of respect and cultural tradition, junior students from the 1st and 2nd years welcomed their seniors with a Tilak ceremony and presented them with commemorative gifts.
- **Activities:** The afternoon was punctuated by a series of engaging recreational activities and "fun games" designed to foster camaraderie among the graduating class and their juniors, alongside a variety of colorful cultural performances.
- **Key Personnel:** The event was expertly anchored by Rakhi Nayak, Heena Nayak, and Munaj Khan. The formal vote of thanks was delivered by Kajal Rathore.
- **Hospitality:** Following the conclusion of the program, a full meal was provided for all students and staff.

## **National Observances and Leadership Transition**

### **Independence Day**

The college celebrated Independence Day on August 15, 2025, at 8:00 AM. This event marked a significant leadership milestone with the joint flag-hoisting performed by Principal Dr. B.L. Chauhan and the newly appointed Director Brother, Dr. Samuel Paulraj. The ceremony was followed by the National Anthem (Rashtragan). A highlight of the cultural program was a special musical performance by Johnpaul Brother in collaboration with the students. The proceedings were anchored by Pooja Trivedi, and the formal vote of thanks was offered by Mrs. Chetna Gangwal, followed by the distribution of refreshments.

### **Teachers' Day**

On September 5, 2025, the college gathered at 11:00 AM to pay tribute to the legacy of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. The full leadership team including Director Brother Dr. Samuel Paulraj, Bro. John Paul, Bro. James Brother, and Principal Dr. B.L. Chauhan was in attendance to honor the faculty. In a delightful role reversal, the professors participated in recreational games and were presented with special gifts by the Director. The event was anchored by Rakhi Nayak and Munaj Khan, with a vote of thanks delivered by Heena Nayak. The celebration concluded with the serving of refreshments.

## **Cultural Competitions and Awareness Programs**

### **Rangoli Competition**

On October 17, 2025, the college hosted a Rangoli competition featuring 25 participants. The event was adjudicated by guest judge Sister Janita from St. Paul School, who evaluated the intricate and vibrant designs created by the student groups.

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Winners</b>
<b>1st Place</b>	• Payal Nayak • Sapna Bariya • Radhika Bundela • Roshami Jamre • Sanjay Dogi
<b>2nd Place</b>	• Rakhi Nayak • Heena Nayak • Munaj Khan • Kajal Rathore • Shiva Warke
<b>3rd Place</b>	• Ranu Khaveda • Ritika Khaveda • Manisha Mavi • Subhogi Girawe • Priya Med

### **Garba Competition**

A festive Garba competition was held on October 30, 2025, with Brother Shuaib of St. Paul School attending as the Chief Guest. The event was held in the presence of the Principal and Director, showcasing the traditional dance talents of the student body.

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Winning Groups</b>
<b>1st Place</b>	• Rakhi Nayak • Heena Nayak • Reetu Rathore • Kajal Rathore • Muskan Panwar • Pooja Bundela
<b>2nd Place</b>	• Sanjana Dabar • Preeti Nayak • Sanjay Dogi • Chhu Khaveda
<b>3rd Place</b>	• Ranu Khaveda • Ritika Khaveda • Subhogi Girawe • Bindiya Girawe • Misha Lodha

### **Children's Day**

The institution celebrated Children's Day on November 14, 2025, with a tribute to Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru. In keeping with institutional tradition, the faculty welcomed the students with a Tilak ceremony. Principal Dr. B.L. Chauhan delivered an inspiring address, which was followed by a series of spirited performances staged by the professors for the entertainment of the students. The program was anchored by Pooja Trivedi, and the vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. B.K. Turkey. The day concluded with the serving of a full meal to the entire college community.

### **Constitution Day**

On November 26, 2025, the college observed Constitution Day to promote civic awareness. The program featured an educational keynote by Miss. Pallavi Bhawel, who provided a detailed discourse on constitutional articles and their importance to the nation. This was followed by an address from the Principal regarding the significance of the Constitution and the importance of voting. The day culminated in a voting awareness rally organized by the college to educate the local community.

## **Technical & Health Awareness**

In December 2025, the college organized two critical awareness sessions to foster student engagement with global issues:

- **World AIDS Day:** On December 1, Prof. Duryodhan Ansari and Dr. Akash Chaudhary led a seminar on the causes and prevention of AIDS. Notably, students actively participated by sharing their own thoughts and experiences regarding health awareness.
- **Computer Literacy Day:** On December 2, Mrs. Durgi Jagtap conducted a session on the vital topics of Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence (AI). Students engaged deeply with the material, sharing their own insights on the impact of these emerging technologies.

## **Institutional Legacy and Continued Traditions**

### **Milan Samaroh / Alumni Meet**

On January 24, 2026, the college held a "Milan Samaroh" to welcome back the 2021-2025 batch. This reunion emphasized the lifelong bond between the college and its graduates. Current students welcomed the alumni with flowers and the traditional Tilak ceremony. During the session, the "old students" shared valuable professional and personal experiences from their time after graduation.

- **Institutional Outcome:** The meeting saw the formal formation of the Old Student Committee, electing Vikas Dabar as President and Virendra Girawe as Vice President.
- **Activities:** The event featured recreational games and a special musical performance by Vikas Dabar.
- **Personnel:** The program was anchored by Ku. Manjula Nayak and Munaj Khan, with a vote of thanks by Dr. B.K. Tirkey, followed by refreshments.

### **Republic Day Celebrations**

The reporting year concluded on January 26, 2026, with the celebration of Republic Day. The flag-hoisting was led by Director Brother Dr. Samuel Paulraj and Principal, Mr. Pawan Kumar Jaiswal. Following the singing of the National Anthem (Rashtragan), the students presented a series of patriotic songs, speeches and dance performances, followed by the distribution of refreshments.

The success of the 2025-2026 academic year is a testament to the collaborative efforts of our leadership, faculty, and student representatives.