

***REPORT***  
**FAREWELL FUNCTION OF**  
**PROF P SHEKHAR**  
**(Former Principal, Guru Nanak College Dhanbad)**  
**ON 24-10-2021**  
**AT Sardar J S Grewal AUDITORIUM**

The Guru Nanak College Dhanbad organised the farewell function on 24th October 2021 at 6 p.m. in S J S Auditorium of Bhuda campus of the college. The farewell was organised to honour the leadership of former principal Prof. P Shekhar for his years of service to the college. He worked for 45 years i.e., from 1976 onwards and remained principal for 30 years i.e., from 1991 to 2021.

The program commenced with the opening address and wishes by Prof. Pushpa Tewari Co-coordinated BCA, as an event compere.

At the outset, Dr Sanjay Prasad, Principal, Guru Nanak College, Dhanbad addressed the gathering and delivered his welcome cum farewell speech. The discussions of past and nostalgic moments of togetherness made his speech a memorable one.

The members of governing body then delivered their speeches one by one. First of all, Sardar R S Chahal, President Governing Body, addressed the gathering and appreciated the working phenomenon and disciplined work culture of Prof. Shekhar. After this Secretary of the Governing Body of the college, Sardar D S Grewal took over the dais and valued the innovative and dynamic leadership of Prof. Shekhar and conferred that how the leadership of Prof. Shekhar has taken the college to new heights.

The next speech came in the form of best wishes for future aspirations from Sardar Manjeet Singh, President Gurudwara Prabandhak committee. He also cherished the relationship and togetherness he had with Prof. Shekhar.

The event was further addressed by Dr. Gurdeep Singh, former Vice Chancellor, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribag. He enlightened the congregation about how massively Prof. P. Shekhar has contributed being the part of University activities and he also wished him a blissful life ahead.

The HOD Commerce, Prof. Gopal Shandilya and HOD English, Prof. Amarjeet Singh also addressed the hall and valued the experience and period of working with Prof. Shekhar.

The president of Alumni Association, Guru Nanak College Dhanbad, Mrs. Shamita Parmar then shared her moments of studying in the B.Ed. wing of the college and thanked Prof. Shekhar for his guidance and enlightenment.

After all these speeches began the felicitation ceremony in which the Sardar R S Chahal decorated Prof. Shekhar and D S Grewal honoured him on behalf of the college management by way of giving some cheque as a Goodwill gesture. They also recognised and Honoured the family members of Prof. P. Shekhar present in the auditorium.

The teaching fraternity headed by Principal Dr. Sanjay Prasad then presented him with memento and gift and Honoured him with the Citation of Honour. The citation of honour was read aloud by Prof. Sanjay Sinha on stage. This was followed by honour and felicitation from non-teaching members of the college, Alumni Association of the college and Dr. Devyani Biswas as Dean Social Sciences and DSWBBMK University Dhanbad.

And finally came the most awaited moment that is address by the former Principal Prof. P. Shekhar. He talked about his working years and stories of struggle, the pains the pleasures, the success and the failures, the Cooperative colleagues, the aspirations, the visions, accomplishments, targets and hard work during recent days, NAAC and many other Golden shares. He prized the

unforgettable years of working in this college and cherished even the challenges and opportunities fully. It was definitely the momentous speech for the day.

After his speech Dr Ranjana Das, Prof. in charge Girls' Wing and HOD History proposed the vote of thanks.

Then started the cultural segment of the day which comprised of Shabad, Guru Vandana dance, some Punjabi folk songs and dances, Golden memory melodies and finally the Bhangra Beat which compelled everyone present in the hall for tapping and crooning.

The show and the evening ended with the National Anthem which was finally followed by the wonderful dinner organised in the premises of the college.