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"Comprehensive Report on Alumni & Civil Society Interaction Hosted by IQAC, GDC Handwara"

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Coordinated by Prof. Nisar Ahmad Lone, Government Degree College Handwara successfully organized a highly engaging and insightful event titled "Interaction with College Alumni & Civil Society" on 6th of August, 2025. This event, held under the great supervision of the worthy Principal, Prof. G. R Ganie, was designed to serve as a vital platform for fostering collaboration and constructive dialogue between the college, its alumni, and key members of civil society. The event's primary objective was to harness the collective wisdom and experience of its stakeholders to chart a progressive course for the institution and to address the wider challenges facing the education sector.

Inaugural Session

Dr. Ali Mohammad Peer (HoD History), the event moderator, commenced the programme sharply at 11:00 AM with a warm and insightful introductory address. In his remarks, he welcomed all dignitaries, expressed the intent behind the gathering and emphasized the importance of alumni and community involvement in institutional development.

The worthy Principal of GDC Handwara, Prof. G.R Ganaie, delivered the formal Welcome Address. He extended heartfelt greetings to all distinguished guests, faculty, alumni and civil society representatives. The Principal highlighted the achievements of the college in recent years, its growing infrastructure, expanding course offerings and

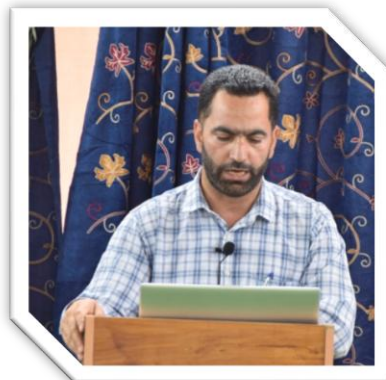


the significant role that both alumni and civil society can play in sustaining and accelerating growth.

Academic & Institutional Overview

Prof. Sajad Ahmad Shah (HoD Computer Science) then took the stage to present an extensive overview of GDC Handwara. His talk covered:

- **Courses Offered** – including traditional and newly introduced academic programmes catering to diverse streams of students.
- **Enrollment Trends** of the college over the past five years.
- **Infrastructure Development** – highlighting the upgradation of laboratories, library resources, smart classrooms and student facilities.
- **Annual Action Plan** – outlining the institution's targeted goals for academic excellence, community outreach, research promotion and student skill development.



Guest Speakers' Insights

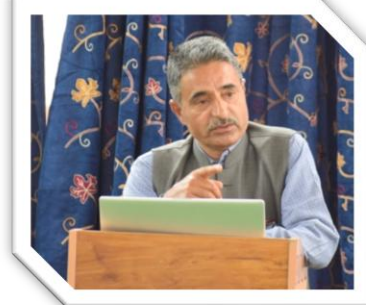
A series of engaging speeches followed, representing a rich array of experiences and perspectives:

- **Principal, GDC Baramulla & Ex Principal of the GDC Handwara**

Prof. M. Shafi Lone, current Principal of GDC Baramulla & Ex-Principal of GDC Handwara, shared his enriching journey as a faculty and as a Principal at GDC Handwara. He reflected on the aims of higher education institutions in the present era and the significance of sustained quality improvement.

- **Prof. Gh Geelani Quarashi (Ex-Principal, GDC Handwara)**

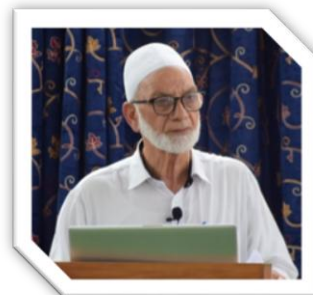
He shared institutional milestones achieved during his tenure, openly discussing both the opportunities and challenges he faced as the head of the institution. He praised the current leadership for continuing to strengthen academic standards.



Perspectives from Civil Society Members

The event then moved to critical engagement with civil society members, whose viewpoints broadened the discussion beyond academic walls.

- **Gh Rasool Bandey:** Delivered a talk on India's budget allocation for education, analysing its adequacy in meeting present-day requirements. He also spoke about the role of education in fostering religious harmony and promoting inclusive growth.
- **Innayatul Shah:** Suggested the establishment of a comprehensive student feedback system, enabling the college to directly gather inputs from learners for improvement in teaching quality, infrastructure and extracurricular activities.
- **Advocate Ab. Majid Bandey.** Expressed surprise at the advanced academic offerings of the college, which he admitted were far more diverse than during his time as a student. He also shared enriching experiences from his stay in London during his studies, drawing parallels between global and Indian educational approaches.



- **Javid Ahmad Bhat:** Focused on the land-related issues of the college, appealing to all stakeholders—administrators, alumni, local leaders and civil society—to work collaboratively for the resolution of these matters and the benefit of the institution.

Further Alumni Contributions

- **Tariq Ahmad Lone:** Offered a detailed roadmap on how the college could prepare students for competitive examinations like the JKAS and UPSC, suggesting dedicated mentorship programmes and regular workshops for the benefit of the students.
- **Dr. Shabir Ahmad Panzo:** Spoke warmly about his time at the college in 2013, noting how the institution has grown significantly in facilities, opportunities and academic scope since his graduation.
- **Miss Sufya Jabeen:** Highlighted specific challenges faced by students, encouraging the administration to address them proactively while continuing its progress in academic excellence.
- **Fareed Ahmad Khan:** Gave a powerful speech on systemic issues in the education sector across the country, focusing on the gap between policy and implementation. His words resonated strongly with both the audience and the administration.

Felicitation Ceremony for Academic Excellence

A highlight of the event was the felicitation of students recent pass-outs of GDC Handwara from the sixth semester across various streams. These meritorious students were honoured with Certificates of Academic Excellence, recognising their outstanding achievements and dedication to their studies. The applause and appreciation they received reinforced the college's commitment to rewarding hard work and academic merit.



Concluding Session

The event concluded with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Prof. Rehana Abdulla Senior Faculty member. She expressed sincere gratitude to:

- The Worthy Principal, for his guidance and encouragement.
- All dignitaries, guests, alumni and civil society members for their valuable contributions.
- The IQAC Coordinator Prof. Nisar Ahmad Lone and IQAC Committee for their meticulous planning.
- Faculty, staff and students who supported the event directly or indirectly.



The “Interaction with College Alumni & Civil Society” was a landmark event in GDC Handwara 2025 academic calendar. It provided an inclusive platform where past and present members of the institution, along with community representatives, came together for constructive dialogue and collaborative vision-building.

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Principal

Glimpses of the Programme

