

Shukla, nee Mukherjee, was born in 1944 at Dehradun, where her material grandfather was posted. She was raised in a reputed family of North Calcutta, with freedom fighters amongst them. Her schooling and college education was from Bethune School and College, graduating in 1964. She served as the General secretary of the Students' union from 1962--63. She was proficient in extracurricular activities such as drama, debate, extempore, creative writing as well as in sports. She married Late Mr. A.K. Banerjee, an engineer by profession and their two daughters are well settled in life. She has been associated with many social and cultural organizations and has travelled widely. Devoted to reading and making friends, she is an author, with a number of books to her credit.