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MITALI GAIKWAD

INTERNATIONAL
ARCHERY PLAYER
(INDIA)



ARCHERY START DATE :- 01 / 01 / 2018

Competition Participated till date :-

- Asian Para Games 2018 Indonesia.
- Fazza world ranking tournament 2019 Dubai.
- World Para Archery championships 2019 Netherlands.
- Asian Para Archery championships 2019 Bangkok, Thailand.
- World Para Archery championships 2022 - Dubai.

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Mitali..... Who represents the fragrance by her existence. Who represents the colours by her success. Who carries the smile of hope. Who carries the positivity of purpose. Who defines the fullness in endurance. Who defines the essence of being human.

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FACULTY NEWS

DISTINCTION

Dr. Amita Valmiki, Head, Dept. of Philosophy, received the Principal Shivajirao Bhosale Best Teacher Award in Philosophy in a function organized by Maharashtra Tattvadnyan Parishad at Sonopant Dandekar College, Palghar, on Oct. 1, 2021.

Prof. Smita Jadhav, Dept. of Biotechnology, won the third prize for Poster Presentation on 'Potential of Agro-Organic Formulations in Enhancing Growth of Triticum Aestivum' at the '7th GoGreen Summit' organized by the International Society of Environmental Relationship and Sustainability (ISERS) held on Oct. 14 -15, 2021.

ON PANEL

Prof. Chhaya Pinge, Head, Dept. of Statistics, was invited as Subject Expert on the Selection Committee for interviewing candidates for Mathematics and Statistics at Mithibai College on Sept. 21, 2021.

Prof. Archana Bhide, Dept. of Information Technology, attended the Board of Studies meeting of K. V. Pendharkar College of Arts Science and Commerce on Sept. 25, 2021.

Dr. Janhavi Bhagwat, Dept. of Zoology, was invited as External Panelist for M.Sc by Research interviews at Haffkine Institute for Training and Research on Nov. 18, 2021.

Dr. Sucheta Golwalkar, Dept. of Biotechnology, has been appointed as VC nominee in the Board of Studies for the subject of Biotechnology at VES college, Chembur, in the letter dated Nov. 29, 2021.

PUBLICATION

Dr. Meher Mistry, Head, Dept. of History, published a research paper on 'Parsi Entrepreneurial Success: An Appraisal' in *Himalayan and Central Asian Studies Journal*, Vol. 25, Nos. 1-3 Jan.-Sept. 2021, ISSN: 0971-9318, pp. 184-90. It is published by Journal of Himalayan Research and Cultural Foundation, NGO in Special Consultative Status with ECOSOC, United Nations. This Journal is included within the *ProQuest* products and included and abstracted in *Worldwide Political Science Abstracts* and *PAIS International*, CSA, USA. She published a research paper titled 'Experiments with the Exotic and the Indigenous: Cotton Cultivation in Bharuch (1830 – 1865)' in *Ajanta*, Volume X, Issue IV, ISSN 227 – 5730, Oct. – Dec. 2021, pp. 42 - 46. She also published a paper titled 'Fearless Nadia' in *Modern Thamizh Research* (A Quarterly International Multilateral Thamizh Journal, Oct. 12-13, 2021 Special Issue) ISSN:2321-984X pp.519-525.

Prof. Maria Shaikh, Dept.of English, published a paper titled 'Egdon Heath in Hardy's The Return of the Native: A Narrative of the Darwinian Cult' in *Modern Thamizh Research* (A Quarterly International Multilateral Thamizh Journal, Oct. 12-13, 2021 Special Issue) ISSN:2321-984X, pp.526-532.

Prof. Snehal Nagtilak, Dept. of History, published a research paper on ‘Farmers’ Plight on The Silver Screen: A Study of Two Movies- Gabhricha Paus (2009) and Kadvi Hawa (2017)’ in *Ajanta*, Volume X, Issue IV, ISSN 227 – 5730, Oct. – Dec. 2021, pp. 99 – 103.

Prof. Mala Goplani, Dept. of B. Com (Banking and Insurance), presented a research paper jointly with **Prof. Jewel Sabhani**, Dept. of B.Voc and **Prof. Akash Gupta**, Dept. of BMS, on ‘Use of A Precious Commodity ‘Time’ for Building Skills By Teachers for Online Teaching During Pandemic by Using Decision Tree & SVM Algorithm of Machine Learning’ in the Third International Conference on ‘Computing, Communication and Cyber-Security (IC4S-2021)’ organized by Krishna Engineering College, Ghaziabad, India, held on Oct. 30 - 31, 2021 and the same has been accepted for publication in UGC CARE Journal- *Springer*.

Dr. Sanket Tikare, Dept. of Mathematics, published a research paper on ‘Dynamic Local and Nonlocal Initial Value Problems in Banach Spaces’, in the journal *Rendiconti del Circolo Matematico di Palermo II Series (2021)*” <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12215-021-00674-y> on Nov. 8, 2021.

Dr. Neelambari Kulkarni, Dept. of Marathi, published a Book Review on ‘Eakaaki Vyakteenchyaa Astitvaachya Sangharshkathaa’ in the *Lokrang* supplement of *Loksatta* newspaper dated Nov. 28, 2021.

Dr. Amita Valmiki published an article on ‘Theosophical Sufism: Means to Eternal Spiritual Bliss’ in a book *Pursuit of Happiness: The Path of Philosophy and Counselling*, edited by Dr. Suchitra Naik and Prof. Vedavati Paranjape Surve; published by Empyrean Publishing House, India, 2020 with ISBN No: 978-81-944813-7-9, pp. 120-125. She also published an article on ‘Resuscitate Gandhi’s Approach Towards the Marginalized’ in the 11th Issue of *Dia-noesis: A Journal of Philosophy*, ISSN: 2459-413X (print) ISSN: 2732-7507 (on-line), pp. 173-183; [the Journal is in ERIPLUS – European Reference Index for the Humanities and Social Sciences]; published by AMMON Books, Greece, 2021. She published another article titled ‘Ecofeminism and Social Ecology in Indian Context: Exploration in Customs, Cultures, and Religions’ in *Future Human Image*, Volume 16, pp. 102-109, published from Kyiv, Ukraine on Nov. 15, 2021.

Prof. Deepak Poojary, Department of Zoology, published a chapter on ‘Elements of Conchology’ in the book *Latest Trends in Zoology and Entomology Sciences- Volume 12*, published by Akinik Publications, ISBN: 978-93-91538-90-3, New Delhi in Nov 2021, pp.45-57.

Prof. Nandini Jagannarayan, Dept. of B. Com (Banking and Insurance), published a research paper titled ‘Motherhood and Switch in Her Leadership Styles in Parenting During Pandemic -with Special Reference to Child With Special Needs’ in the *Journal of The Asiatic Society of Mumbai*, ISSN No. 0972-0776, in November 2021. She also published two e-books titled *Financial Markets*, Himalaya Publishing House, ISBN Number: 978-93-5273-362-0 and *International Banking and Finance*, Himalaya Publishing House, ISBN Number: 978-93-5299-230-0

Dr. Kiran Kolwankar, Vice Principal, Dept. of Physics, published a research article on ‘Exact Local Fractional Differential Equation’ in *Chaos, Solitons and Fractals*, 152(2021) 111421, ISSN: 0960-0779, with Impact factor 5.944.

PRESENTATION

Dr. Kiran Kolwankar presented a paper on ‘Concept of Alpha-Exactness for Local Fractional Differential Equations’ at a ‘Conference on Fractional Calculus: Analysis and Applications’ organized by the Dept. of Mathematics, Savitribai Phule University, Pune, on Aug. 20-21, 2021.

Dr. Sanket Tikare, presented a research paper on ‘Ulam Stabilities for Volterra Integro-Dynamic Equations on Time Scales’, presented in the ‘1st Online Yarmouk Mathematics Conference on Differential Equations: Analysis, Modeling and Numerical Computations (DEAMN-2021)’ organized online by the Faculty of Science, Yarmouk University, Irbid-Jordan during Sept. 18-20, 2021.

Prof. Laxmi Podoli Desiti, Dept. of Commerce, presented and published a paper on ‘Impact of Industrialization on Environment: Reflections From Thane District’ at a National Conference on ‘Emerging Trends and Adoption of Different Sectors of Economy to Changing Environment’ conducted by Lala Lajpatrai College of Commerce and Economics on Sept. 23, 2021. The paper was published in *Scholarly Research Journal for Interdisciplinary Studies* Vol 10, Issue (50), July to Sept., 2021 Online ISSN: 2278-8808, Print ISSN: 2319-4766, with impact factor 7.380 pp. 92-98.

Prof. Smita Jadhav, Department of Biotechnology, participated and presented poster titled ‘Influence of agro-organic waste formulations on growth of *Brassica nigra*’ at the Research Scholars Meet-2021 (RSM-2021) organized by the School of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, D.Y.Patil Deemed to be University, Navi Mumbai on Sept. 23 and 24, 2021.

Prof. Chhaya Pinge, presented a paper titled ‘A Statistical Review of Factors Influencing Vaccine Hesitancy in India’ in an E- Conference on “Trends and Perspectives in Statistics and Mathematics: A Multi-Disciplinary Approach’ organized by St. Xavier’s College (Autonomous), Mumbai in collaboration with Thakur College of Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Mumbai, on Sept. 25, 2021.

Prof. Prachi Vankiani, Dept. of Mass Media, presented a research paper on ‘Use of Digital Technology in Higher Education Institutions: Online Assessment and its Application’ in a National Level Multidisciplinary E-Conference organized by Department of Accountancy & Financial Management, Bunts Sangha’s SM Shetty College of Science, Commerce & Management Studies, Powai in collaboration with Department of Commerce, University of Mumbai. The same paper was also published in UGC Care Group II, Web of Science, Vidyabharati International Interdisciplinary Research journal with ISSN: 2319-4979 on Sept. 30, 2021. She also presented a research paper on ‘To Examine the Impact of Digital Media Apps on Consumers Purchasing Habits in Mumbai’ in the International Symposium ‘Research Conclave On Industry 4.0: A Virtual Event’ organised by Parle Tilak Vidyalyaya Associations, M.L Dahanukar College of Commerce in Collaboration with University of Mumbai. The paper was published in UGC Care Group II, Web of Science, Vidyabharati International Interdisciplinary Research journal having ISSN: 2319-4979 on Oct. 4, 2021.

Dr. Amita Valmiki presented a paper on 'Murray Bookchin's Social Ecology: An Alternative Solution to Ecological Crisis' at 37th Maharashtra Tattvadnyan Parishad, jointly organized by Maharashtra Tattvadnyan Parishad, Sonopant Dandekar Arts, V. S. Apte Commerce and M. H. Mehta Science College, Palghar on Oct. 1-2, 2021. She also presented a paper in a Philosophy Family Webinar on 'Existentialism on The Three Levels of Existence in Shankara and Kierkegaard' on Oct. 17, 2021.

Dr. Mithilesh Sharma presented a paper on 'Hindi Sahitya mein Mahatma Gandhi ke Vicharon ki Prasangikta' in the two days online International Webinar themed on 'Mahatma Gandhi ke Sapnon ka Bharat aur Azaadi ke 75 Varsh' organized by UGC sponsored Gandhian Studies Center at B. K. Birla College (Autonomous), Kalyan on the occasion of International Day of Non-Violence on Oct. 1-2, 2021.

Dr. Meher Mistry, Head, Dept. of History, presented a paper on 'Experiments with the Exotic and the Indigenous: Cotton Cultivation in Bharuch (1830 – 1865)' at the 14th Dr. Mani Kamerkar Memorial National Seminar on 'Agriculture in History- A Journey through Ancient, Medieval and Modern World' organized by B. K. Birla College on Oct. 5- 6, 2021.

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SEMINAR/WORKSHOP

Prof. Jewel Sabhani attended the five-days National Level Workshop on 'Recent Advancements in Research Methodology' conducted by the Dept. of Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science of Narsee Monjee College of Commerce & Economics (Autonomous) from Sept. 4-9, 2021.

Dr. Amita Valmiki participated in a workshop on 'How to Enrich Your Curriculum?' organized by NGO Nirman on Sept. 9-10, 2021. The topics covered were based on Indian Philosophy in the Classrooms and Model Lessons in Indian Philosophy.

Prof. Rekha Shetty, Dept. of BAF, has successfully completed an Online Short-Term Certificate Course on 'Research Techniques' organized by Clara's College of Commerce from Sept. 20-30, 2021.

Prof. Subodh Barve, Dept. of Commerce, attended a National level webinar on ‘Academic Research writing, Plagiarism and H Index’ conducted by Vidya Prasarak Mandal Kinhavali’s, Shahapur Thane APMK College of Arts, Commerce and Science on Sept. 29, 2021.

Prof. Jeba Roselet, Dept. of Information Technology, attended a webinar on ‘BlockChain Technology Assessing Multidimensional Impact Now and Tomorrow’ conducted by Maharashtra College of Arts, Science and Commerce on Sept. 29, 2021. She also attended a webinar on ‘CyberSecurity’ organized by Keraleeya Samajam’s Model College, Dombivli, on Sept. 29, 2021. She attended an Online Webinar Session conducted by Amazon Web Services titled ‘Awesome Day’ on Sept. 30, 2021.

Prof. Ajaykumar Shukla, Dept. of Mathematics, attended a National webinar on ‘Symmetry and Puzzles’ organized by Shivaji College, University of Delhi on Oct. 16, 2021. He also attended an online instructional workshop on the ‘Revised Syllabi of SYBSc Mathematics Paper III’ jointly organized by the Board of Studies in Mathematics, University of Mumbai and NES Ratnam College, Bhandup from Oct. 20 – 21, 2021.

Prof. Deepak Poojary, Department of Zoology, attended an International webinar on ‘Diversity and Conservation Concerns of Marine Mammals’ organized by Dept of Zoology, Carmel College of Arts, Science & Commerce for Women, Goa on Oct. 23, 2021.

Prof. Steven Lobo attended a workshop on ‘How to write a Good Research Paper’ organized by Nirmala Niketan College of Social Work, on Nov. 13 & 14, 2021, and a webinar on NEP for the Western Region (Maharashtra, Daman & Diu), on Nov. 16, 2021.

Prof. Smita Jadhav attended the ‘Fifth International Advanced Manuscript Drafting and Publishing Workshop’ organized by Eudoxia Research Center, India, from Oct. 30 to Nov. 11, 2021.

Prof. Mala Goplani attended a webinar on ‘NEP’ organized by National Assessment and Accreditation Council on Nov. 16, 2021.

Prof. Archana Bhide attended a Session on ‘Effective Powerpoint Presentation Skills and Advanced Excel’ of a Faculty Induction Program conducted by H. J. College of Education on Nov. 27, 2021.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Prof. Laxmi Podoli Desiti, **Prof. Bharati Bhole**, Dept. of Information Technology, and **Prof. Jewel Sabhani** participated in the National Level FDP on ‘Research Paper Writing (Abstract to Conclusion) for Quality Journals (Scopus/ABDC/Hi-Index)’, organized by Research Cell, IQAC and IT Department of Akbar Peerbhoy College of Commerce & Economics, Mumbai on Sept. 13, 2021.

ORIENTATION/REFRESHER/STC

Dr. Sanket Tikare and Prof. Ajaykumar Shukla attended an online 'Two-Week Refresher Course in Mathematics' conducted by Ramanujan College, Dept. of Mathematics, New Delhi, from Aug. 31- Sept. 14, 2021.

Dr. Dan Bahadur Singh completed an online interdisciplinary Refresher Course on 'Environmental Studies' organized by the Dept. of Botany, R. J. College, Ghatkopar and UGC HRDC, University of Mumbai, from Sept. 22- Oct. 5, 2021.

Mr Ashish Yadav attended a two- week Refresher Course in Physics from Oct. 27 - Nov. 10, 2021, organized by Teaching Learning Center, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.

ACADEMIC OUTREACH

Prof. Snehal Nagtilak delivered a guidance lecture at a National workshop on 'NET/SET and Competitive Exam Guidance' organized by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Competitive Exam Guidance Centre, Dept. of History, University of Mumbai on Sept. 25, 2021.

Dr. Meher Mistry was invited to deliver an online talk on 'Exploring Khambhat - An Early Parsi Settlement' by The K. R. Cama Oriental Institute on Sept. 30, 2021. She was also invited to deliver a talk on 'The Parsi Settlement of Bharuch – A Historical Perspective' at the Jiyo Parsi Friday Forum organized by the UNESCO-PARZOR Foundation on Nov. 19, 2021.

Dr. Devraj Pawar was invited to deliver a keynote address on 'Observing X-ray Binaries' in the 'Arab Conference on Astronomy and Geophysics (ACAG-7), Cairo-Egypt' organized from Oct. 11-14, 2021.

Prof. Nandini Jagannarayan was invited as a resource person by Nirmala College, Coimbatore to Speak on 'Economic Empowerment of Women' on Nov. 14, 2021.

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

Department of Zoology organized an Induction Program for postgraduate students. Dr. P. G. Kale, Former Principal, College of Computer Science and Information Technology (CCSIT), Mahad conducted an online session on 'Careers in Zoology' for the students on Sept. 1, 2021. Twenty students and 6 teachers attended the session. A quiz 'Eat Right, Stay Right' was organized jointly with the NSS Unit of RJ College on September 2-3, 2021. 'DBT-Zoo-Fest 2021' was inaugurated by Dr. Sujata Deshpande, eminent ethologist, Assistant Professor St. Xavier's College, on September 21, 2021. She spoke on 'Animal Behaviour: The story of the Wasp'. World Wildlife Week was celebrated from Oct. 2 to 8, 2021. A 'Quiz Based on Documentary: Our Planet: Jungles' by Sir David Attenborough was conducted for FY students on October 4 and 5, 2021. **Dr. Janhavi Bhagwat** was in charge of the celebrations. A general quiz on 'Know your Wildlife' was conducted by **Prof. Sanika Gupte** and **Prof. Deepak Poojary** for SY students, **Dr. Bindu Achary** for TY Students on October 4, 2021. An Intra-collegiate online Poster competition was organized

to create awareness amongst the students. Forty students from different departments participated in this event. World Student's Day was commemorated by organizing an Inter-collegiate 'Meme making competition' on October 15, 2021. 5 colleges across Mumbai participated. **Prof. Deepak Poojary** was the in-charge for this event. All the students were given participation certificates. A 'Research Paper presentation Competition' was organized to celebrate 'World Earthworm Day' on October 21, 2021. The event was a grand success with participation of students from departments of Botany, Zoology and Biotechnology. **Prof. Sushma Singh** was the in-charge of the event. All participants were given e-certificates.

Department of Biotechnology designed their department website- 'RJBT' <https://sites.google.com/rjcollege.edu.in/biotechnology>. It was inaugurated and published by Dr. N Chirmule, Co-Founder and CEO of SymphonyTech Biologics and author of the book 'Good Genes Gone Bad' on Sept. 1, 2021. An official RJBT Instagram page 'bt_rjc' was created and is being used for uploading reels, memes, trivias and latest news in the field of Biotechnology. The department celebrated 'Nutrition Week' as part of the University Community Engagement & Social Responsibility (SIC) under the aegis of 'DBT star activity' from Sept.1-7, 2021. The events organized were online talks by Nutritionist, Ms. Launa Mascarenhas on the topic 'Nutrition for Your Adults' on Sept. 3, 2021, and Dietician, Ms. Prachi More on the topic 'Nutrition and immunity Boost' on Sept. 4, 2021. A 'Salad Making and Decoration Video Byte' competition was also organized from Sept. 1-15, 2021. It was open to all Undergraduate and Postgraduate students of Arts, Science and Commerce. The participants had to prepare a salad, decorate it and explain the health benefits of the same in a 3 min video. Participants were awarded e-certificates and the winners received cash prizes of Rs. 1000/- for the first prize, Rs. 750/- for the second and Rs. 500/- for the third place. Mentor-Mentee sessions were conducted online by each of the faculty members with students each from SY and TY Biotechnology in the first week of September. Discussions on hobbies, skills, interest, career plans and Resume writing were done on one-to-one basis. The department conducted the 'Deeksharambh Induction Programme' for FY Biotechnology students on Sept. 8, 2021. A Career Guidance session was conducted by our Alumna, Ms. Fatma Islahi (M.Sc Batch of 2018). The induction program was followed by an Orientation session which was conducted by the Biotechnology faculty members. Information about the college, department and activities was conveyed to the students. The staff from the Department of Biotechnology demonstrated and encouraged the students of SY and TY Biotechnology to perform 'DIY practical' from Home. The practicals were performed successfully using materials available at home. Practical such as gDNA extraction, Paper Chromatography, Working of pH Indicators, Sucrose Gradient Making were performed by the students at home and the videos of the same were uploaded as reels on the official RJBT Instagram page. The Department of Biotechnology organised a lecture on 'Cyanobacteria: Ecology, Taxonomy and Phylogeny' as part of DBT star college Activity 'Gyan Vigyan', an online popular lecture series on Oct. 23, 2021. The speaker was Dr. Prashant Singh, Assistant Professor, Banaras Hindu University. Department of Biotechnology in collaboration with the Department of Information Technology organised a two-day inter-departmental Workshop on 'Basics & Applications (Biological) of EXCEL' under DBT Star College Activity on Oct. 29 & 30, 2021. The workshop was open to both UG and PG students of Biotechnology, Botany, Chemistry, Zoology and Statistics. The workshop was organised for teaching excel, analysis of data and development

of soft skills to enhance employability. The resource person for the first day was **Prof. Bharati Bhole**, Assistant Professor, PG Incharge, IT Department, RJ college. The second day sessions were conducted by our Alumna, Ms. Divya Upadhyay, Associate Centralised Monitoring Lead at IQVIA. On both days, the sessions were online with hands-on sessions using Excel. A lecture was organised on 'Microscopy' as part of DBT star college Activity 'Gyan Vigyan', an online popular lecture series, from Nov. 17-25, 2021. The speaker was Dr. B. B. Nath, Emeritus Professor, Dept. of Zoology, Savitribai Phule Pune University.

Department of B. Com (Banking & Insurance) conducted a training program for the students of the second and third year for preparing for IBPS and other competitive exams as a part of their Value-Added course, jointly in tie up with Vantage Academy since September 2, 2021. The training for the FY's commenced on September 18, 2021. The TY students are also undergoing training since September 4, 2021, organized by Technoserve on the essential skills required by them once they are placed by corporate houses on Job and also an orientation on the same to adapt themselves to the corporate culture. Department of BBI conducted a session on Career Orientation for FYBBI students by our Alumni Ms. Ashita Mathur, Manager- Marsh and McLennan on September 23, 2021. Ms. Ashita Mathur also conducted a session for SY & TYBBI students on September 24, 2021. The Department also conducted an 'Inter-Collegiate National Level Virtual Quiz Competition on the occasion of 'Investor Awareness Day' in collaboration with BVOC and BAF Department on Nov. 27, 2021. Certificates were awarded to those who scored 75% and above.

Department of Economics organized an online talk on 'Nutrition, Food Security and Economic Development' to celebrate National Nutrition Week (Sept. 1 - 7) on Sept. 4, 2021. The talk was given by Mr. Shailesh Dikhale, In-charge of Community Nutrition Programme, SATHI and Health Activist. The department also organized an Essay Competition on 'Know Your Nation, Know Your Leader', an Intra- Collegiate competition in Sept. 2021. The topics for the competition were as follows: Climate Change: A Ticking Bomb for India, Future of Digital Currency in India. The meticulous job of examining the essays was done by **Prof. Subodh Barve**, Head, Dept. of Commerce, and **Prof. Mangesh Panchal**, Dept. of Accountancy.

Department of BCom (Accounting and Finance) conducted a guest lecture on 'Career opportunities in 'CFA and FRM' on Sept. 4, 2021. A three- day Student Induction Program as a part of Deeksharambh for FYBAF was conducted by Head of the institution, Vice Principals, Coordinators of various committees along with an interactive talk to develop a healthy mind and body from Sept. 7-9, 2021. On the occasion of World Investor week, Virtual Quiz on 'Investor Awareness' was conducted in association with the B.Voc. & BBI Departments. Participants scoring more than 75% were awarded e-certificates on Nov. 30, 2021.

Department of Sociology, under the banner of Disha 'Mentor-Mentee' programme, organized a Research Activity on 'Quantitative Research' to understand 'How to do Research Formulation' on Sept. 6, 2021. A World War II photograph of a child carrying the dead body of his younger brother on his back was shown to address social issues. In all, 11 students participated in the research-oriented discussion, and they also attended the programme. Under the banner of 'Sociozone', an

intra-Collegiate event, the department had organized a Video and Oral presentation on Activist Gail Omvedt on Sept. 9, 2021. Students discussed and presented their views on the contribution of Gail Omvedt. The department organized Image Presentation and Poster with Slogan Presentation under the aegis of 'Sociozone', our Intra-Collegiate event through Online Zoom Platform on Oct. 1, 2021. The topics given to students were Cyber Crime, Unemployment during Pandemic, Work from Home and Healthcare. The department also organized Video Presentation activity in the TYBA class under the aegis of Mentor-Mentee programme 'Disha' on Oct. 8, 2021. The topics given were Childhood Obesity, Climate Change, Malnutrition, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and Youth & Social Media. Students were instructed to make a Video Presentation on any two topics. 8 students participated in this event. The Department of Sociology had organized a Bridge Course for the FYBA students on Oct. 21, 2021. The objective of this activity was to establish a link between the Junior and Degree College syllabus and ascertain the level of understanding of the students. Students participated in the Bridge Course conducted through MCQs format on Google Forms.

Department of Marathi organized a Parents' Meet through Zoom Platform on Sept. 6, 2021.

Department of Computer Science organized FYCS Orientation 2021-22 on September 7, 2021. Presentation was given by Prof Anita Gaikwad followed by 2 alumni sessions on "Career Guidance in Computer Science field" by Mr Amit Rai from ETL and Mr. Hrithik Surendra Dayame from Wipro. The dept. also organized Alumni Talk 2021-22 # 3 on 'AZURE TECHNOLOGY' by Miss. Prajakta Nivrutti Chaskar, (Alumni working at CapGemini) for SYCS, TYCS and MSc CS students to give knowledge about Azure Technology i.e., Scope and use of Azure technology on September 25, 2021. An Alumni Talk 2021-22 # 4 on 'Msc Project Guidance' by Mr. Amit Ashok Yadav, Mr. Ankur Kumar, Mr. Vignesh Acharya and Miss. Kajal Panigrahi for MSc CS students to give overall knowledge about how to build MSc level project in different technical areas like IOT, Machine and Deep Learning, Security and Data science was organised on October 9, 2021.

Department of Philosophy participated in the Dikshaarambha Ceremony held by the College on Sept. 7, 2021. A PPT and video recording of the Alumnus of Philosophy was presented on this occasion. Dept. of Philosophy, RJ College; Mahatma Gandhi Peace Centre, University of Mumbai and St. Andrew's Centre for Philosophy and Performing Arts organized 'A Conversation with Atul Dodiya on his Gandhian Meditations' to commemorate 152 Years of M. K. Gandhi (Bako Exists.....Imagine) on Oct. 9, 2021.

Department of Chemistry organized 'Deeksharambh' - an induction program for FYBSc students of 2021-2022 batch held between September 7 & 9, via Zoom platform. On the second day, students were briefed about the history, geography, statistics and chemistry of the Chemistry Department by the HoD, **Dr. R. Dubey**. A glimpse of various activities being conducted by the department was also shared with the participants.

Department of Mass Media (BAMMC & MAEMA) conducted a three-day Student Induction Program as a part of Deeksharambh for FYBAMMC wherein a talk was conducted with alumni, Head of the institution, Vice Principals, Coordinators of various committees from Sept. 7-9, 2021. An interactive talk was organized on Physical Health - 'You are what you Eat' by Dr. Taqeer

Zehra followed by a talk on Mental Health - 'You are what you Think' by **Mr. Chinmay Bhatpat** as part of the program. On the occasion of National Wildlife Week, an intercollegiate level Poster-making competition was organized from Oct. 2 - 6, 2021, in which students were asked to make hand-made or digital posters. The best posters were awarded with e-certificates. On the occasion of Computer Security Day, an online Quiz competition to test Computer Security Awareness was conducted, on Nov. 30, 2021, for students from all streams. Participants securing more than 80% were awarded with an e-certificate.

Department of Botany organized an online Interdisciplinary Refresher Course on 'Environmental Studies' jointly with UGC- HRDC, University of Mumbai *from* Sept. 22- Oct. 5, 2021. Dr. K. Kathiresan, Professor and Mangrove Ecologist, Annamalai University, Tamilnadu, was the Chief Guest and Keynote speaker for the inaugural function on Sept. 22, 2021. Thirty-seven resource persons from different disciplines conducted sessions. Twelve resource persons were from areas other than Mumbai and 7 out of them were from other States. Dr. Anuradha Ghosh Majumdar, Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology, was the Chief Guest, for the Valedictory Function. **Dr. Anil Avhad** was the coordinator while **Prof. Deepak Poojary** was the Joint Coordinator for the course. A DBT star college activity- Plants in Festivities Series I -Ganesh Patri was organised with Dr Jyotsna Nijure as the resource person on September 7, 2021. PG students were taken on a field project to Neral wherein they went hiking from Neral to Jumma patti, on Oct. 2, 2021. A career counselling activity, namely, 'Hum Honge Kamiyab', was organized on Nov. 17, 2021, Ms. Saima Mirza, Alumnus, interacted with the current batch of students, speaking about goal-setting for higher studies in the USA.

Department of Bachelor of Vocation organized 'Live Trading Session' by industry expert, Mr. Joy Sharma, Kauess Forex LLP, Technical Analyst on Sept. 22, 2021. Mr. Joy took the students and teachers through the trading platform of Zerodha (Discount Broker). He shared how markets work with some terminologies like Bid and Ask spread, different types of orders, long term vs short-term trading, and how to place different types of orders. A talk on 'Worth of NISM Certificates-How it will Help to Make a Career in the Stock Market' was conducted by Shalu Purswani, Asst. Professor, IQAC Coordinator and Placement officer at Bunts Sangha's Uma Krishna Shetty Institute of Management Studies and Research on Sept. 23, 2021. Students attended the session to know the benefits of doing NISM certification before graduation. The department had organized a webinar on 'Financial Literacy – Managing Your Personal Finances' on Oct. 29, 2022. The Resource Person for the same was Ms. Aditi Chipkar, Financial Education Counselor, ICICI Foundation. The aim of this webinar was to enhance financial literacy among attendees, to enlighten attendees with the importance and benefits of savings as well as proper use of consumer credit and to create awareness on managing personal finances. On the account of 'World Investors Week', a talk on 'Introduction to Mutual Fund' in association with Blue online Services was conducted on Nov. 22, 2021. Mr. Tanuj Poddar guided the students on investment in mutual funds and their risk and rewards. A National Level 'Virtual Quiz Competition' was conducted on account of 'World Investors Week' in association with BBI & BAF Departments on Nov. 27, 2021. In association with Pearl Academy, the BVoc department organized a webinar on 'Design Thinking' on Nov. 30, 2021. Ms. Tuba Ansari, Company Secretary and Chartered Financial Goal Planner & Ms. Zeba

Khan Consultant, School of Creative Practice were the speakers. They guided students about the basics of design thinking and how applying it plays a major role in our professional as well as our personal life.

Department of BMS organised an online workshop on ‘Transformational Leadership’, by Dr. Pramod K Rajput, Vice President and Vertical Head in Cadila Pharmaceuticals Ltd. on Sept. 24, 2021.

Department of Political Science conducted the following workshops: (1) ‘How to use FlyerMaker for Making Presentations’ for SYBA students by alumnus Ms. Simran Andrade, on Sept. 24 & 27, 2021 (2) ‘How to Use Photoshop to Edit Photographs’ for TYBA students by present TYBA student, Mr. Arya Ankushrao, on Sept. 24, 2021 (3) ‘How to Use CANVA for Making Presentations’ for TYBA students by current TYBA student, Ms. Bhavna Acharya, on Sept. 27, 2021; (4) ‘How to use CANVA for Making Presentations’ for SYBA students by current TYBA student, Ms. Bhavna Acharya, on Sept. 28, 2021 (4) ‘How to Make a Documentary’ for SYBA students by alumnus Ms. Simran Andrade, on Sept. 29- 30, 2021 (5) ‘How to Prepare a PPT on Cell Phone’ for SYBA students by alumnus, Ms. Simran Andrade, on Oct. 1, 2021. On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, students of TYBA and SYBA made presentations from Oct. 4 - 9, 2021. To commemorate ‘Constitution Day’ documentaries were screened for SYBA and TYBA students on Nov. 26, 2021. A special lecture was organized on ‘Preparing for Civil Service Examination’ by Mr. Bhushan Deshmukh, Director of Lokayan Academy, along with the RJC UPSC Coaching Committee, on Oct. 6, 2021.

Department of Hindi organised an Alumni interaction on September 24, 2021. Alumni Ms Pragya Singh (Tata Edge) and Ms Usha Yadav (Vishwajyot High School) spoke on the topic of ‘Hindi mein Rozgaar ki Sambhavanaen’.

Department of History celebrated the 152nd birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on Oct. 2, 2021. Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri was also remembered on the day on his 117th birth anniversary. As a part of the Jayanti celebration, the department organized a Letter- writing competition, ‘Write a Letter to Gandhiji’. An overwhelming response was received. Vice Principal, **Dr. Sneha Deuskar**, judged the competition. A virtual tour of Mani Bhavan, Gandhiji’s residence from 1917 – 1934, was conducted.

Department of Mathematics organized an online talk on ‘An Introduction to Difference Equations’ by Dr. Jervin Zen Lobo, Dept. of Mathematics, St. Xavier’s College, Mapusa, Goa on Oct. 5, 2021.

Department of Commerce organized a talk on ‘Freelancing Career with LIC’ on October 13, 2021. LIC Chief Development Officer –Mumbai Mr. V.S. Rao and Trainer Mr. Meghraj Malankar were the guest speakers. The talk included career options as an Agent in LIC and different perks and assistance provided by LIC. Many other LIC Agents who started with scratch also shared their experiences. ‘Online Quiz Competition’ to celebrate National Law Day was organised on Nov.26, 2021. The quiz allowed students to do mental exercise, inculcate new knowledge about law and constitution of the Nation. Links regarding the Constitution of India were shared followed by a quiz to give them access to information about the Indian Constitution.

Department of Physics organized a popular lecture on the topic ‘Do the Fundamental Constants change with time?’ under DBT Star College scheme on Oct. 30, 2021. The speaker was Prof. Nissim Kanekar, National Centre for Radio Astrophysics, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Pune.

Department of Information Technology organized an Induction session Deeksharambh for first year IT Students in Sept. 2021. **Prof. Jeba Roselet** guided students on Career Guidance, they were informed about various options available after BSc IT course completion and possible Career paths ahead in this stream. Followed by this session was the Alumni Interaction. Mr. Sanket Yadav (Senior Consultant Salesforce, IBM) was the resource person for the session. Students interacted with alumni and got insight into job profiles, future prospects, skills, technologies and different IT companies - MNC and startups. **Prof. Archana Bhide** gave insight about the various subjects in the course, mode of Evaluation and Ethical code of Conduct. They were also introduced to various value-added courses offered by the department. Students were also guided on how they can add additional credit by taking part in various activities and courses hosted by the department and college. **Prof. Punam Sindhu** introduced the mentor mentee program of the department and their allotment to a mentor. The department organized a Webinar on Cyber Security Awareness, Cyber Security Awareness Quiz and Poster making competition on October 1, 2021, to celebrate the Cyber Security Awareness Month. Mr Dhiraj Mishra, Security Threat Assessment Specialist @ Emirates, NBD was the resource person for the webinar session. A Cyber Security Awareness Quiz was conducted on the same day. 140 students participated from different streams. A Poster making competition CyberSecPoster was also conducted for the students. Winners were selected and they were awarded a cash prize for the same. A seminar on ‘All About Startup’ was held by the Department of Information Technology for the post graduates students in Information Technology, Computer Science, Data Science and Artificial Intelligence, under DBT star college Scheme, Expert Talk Series #4 on Oct.13, 2021. The session started with the welcome address delivered by **Prof. Bharati Bhole** followed by a short Address by Director **Dr. Usha Mukundan**. The guest speaker was introduced by **Prof. Jeba Roselet**. The guest speaker of the day Mrs. Pradnya Pawar, Technologist (AutomataPi Solutions Pvt Ltd), with expertise in Programming and Software Development enlightened students with grass root knowledge about the startup and how to evaluate and make use of the Internet in business startup. The student’s queries were resolved in the question answer session and finally the session ended with vote of thanks by **Prof. Aditi Prajapati**.

ASSOCIATION NEWS

DLLE Unit organized an intercollegiate online cooking competition on ‘Grandma’s healthy and nutritional recipes’ to celebrate ‘National Nutrition Week’ (September 1-7, 2021). Students recorded the videos of traditionally made delicious and nutritious recipes. Selected videos were uploaded on DLLE unit’s You tube channel. To celebrate ‘World Tourism Day’, an intercollegiate poster competition on ‘Touristic Infographics’ was organised from September 20-27, 2021. It was organized in two categories: Handmade and Digital. Students created informative and colourful posters describing beautiful tourist places of India. To celebrate Gandhi Jayanti, the unit organized

an online quiz competition 'Ahimsa Paramodharam' on October 2, 2021. Participants scoring above 50% in the quiz, were awarded E-certificates. An intercollegiate 'Eco-friendly Rangoli competition' was organised on November 6, 2021, in online mode to celebrate Diwali. DLLE also organized an online essay competition on 'Views and Counterviews on Indian Education System' to celebrate 'National Education Day' during November 11-14, 2021. A poster making competition on the theme 'Save the Earth from Population Explosion' was organized from November 25 to 27, 2021. A General Knowledge quiz was organized on November 26, 2021.

Rotaract Club organized 'Teacher's Day' celebration on Sept. 5, 2021. It celebrated Ganesh Chathurti with underprivileged kids and also shared a reel video on the eco-friendly nature of the festival on the RJ college Rotaract club webpage under the 'Ecoment' event conducted from Sept. 9-21, 2021. The project 'Take an Initiative' was organized on Sept. 24, 2021. 'Pushpadhar' was organized on Sept. 10-23, 2021. Floral waste was used to create compost for increasing the fertility of the soil. Kala-e-Rangoli' was held on Sept. 25, 2021. It also organized 'Envision'- A Quiz Competition related to business start-ups on Sept. 26, 2021. The project 'Ghumej Banjarej Ghumej' was organized on account of World Tourism Day on Sept. 29, 2021. Events like Indoor Fusion, Poetry Dil Se and Selfie with Bappa were organized in Sept. 2021. The members of the Rotaract Club participated in the 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' conducted in the college premises on Oct. 2, 2021. The 'Book Buzz' project was organized to inculcate reading habit among students on Oct. 9, 2021. Another project, 'Betiyaan' was carried out on World Girl Child Day by performing street plays on crowded railway stations on Oct. 10, 2021. The event 'Astitva' was held on Oct. 12, 2021. The speaker, Sumit Pawar, Founder, QKNIT and QUEERKALA, created awareness about the LGBTQ community. 'Swaha' was celebrated on the occasion of Dusshera on Oct. 13, 2021. During the Street interview conducted by the participants, the question asked to the people was 'Is there a Ravan within you who you want to get rid of? An online session 'Trash to Treasure' was conducted by Rtn. Arun Bhargava, GOI India star Awardee and President, Rotaract Club, Mumbai to celebrate International e-waste day on Oct. 14, 2021. 'Annapurna', a food donation project, in which 140 food packets were distributed among the needy at different locations in Ghatkopar was organized on Oct. 19, 2021. Under the project 'Saving NEMO', the Rotaract club members cleaned a beach that was converted to a dumping ground on Oct. 23, 2021. The club initiated the project 'Vibhinnata', a cultural festival on International Cities Day on Oct. 28, 2021. 'Dear Comrade Oct.' (Writing about a Comrade), 'Foo-Edi' (Describing favourite food) and Galore Balloons (Freshers' Party) were organized in Oct. 2020. Under 'Diwali Diwali' project, the members of the club celebrated Diwali at an orphanage on Nov. 2, 2021. Another event, 'Find Your Own Everest' was organized on Nov. 16, 2021. The speaker, Kuntal Joisher, spoke about the hardships he faced while climbing the Everest. The project, 'Muskaan' was organized by the club during which underprivileged kids were taken to a resort on Nov. 21, 2021. 'Anushilan' was organized to train students in management skills on Nov. 26, 2021. 'Lafz-e- Mehfil' was conducted to provide a platform to upcoming artists on Nov. 27, 2021. A trek to Matheran along with ICYE members was organized on Nov. 28, 2021. The club organized 'Big Boss', a two-day event, in which members were locked in a room and they were assigned tasks. On the second day, 'Weekend ka War', they wore traditional clothes. An online session 'Shiksha' was conducted by

Navneet Anand who spoke on 'Management as a Good career Option' in Nov. 2021. 'Fight for Shuttle' and 'Dabba Party' were also organized in Nov. 2021.

Hindi Sahitya Parishad celebrated online Hindi Divas on Sep. 14, 2021 using Zoom Platform. 'Late R. P. Singh Intercollegiate self-composed Poetry recital Competition' was also arranged online on this occasion. 20 different colleges participated in this competition. Famous Litterateurs Mr. Pavan Tiwari and Mrs. Anuradha Singh, and RJ Aarti Saiya of Akashwani 100.1 FM Gold were invited as Guests and Judges for the poetry competition.

Chem-Bond conducted 'Chem-Talk', a virtual Powerpoint Presentation Competition for Science students of RJ College on Sept. 21, 2021. Many students participated in this DBT Star College activity.

Philosophy Association organized an online Quiz for students of R. J. College to commemorate 'International Peace Day' from Sept. 21, 2021. The Quiz was open till Sept. 28, 2021. It also organized an online Quiz to commemorate 'World Philosophy Day' on Nov. 18, 2021. The event met with an enthusiastic response.

English Literary Association inaugurated the activities of 2021-22 with a student workshop on 'Utterances' on Sept. 24-25, 2021. **Dr. Sneha Deuskar**, Vice Principal graced the occasion and gave her valuable inputs. The keynote address was given by Prof. Shanti Polamuri, Head, Dept. of English, Maharashtra College. The Valedictory Address, 'Utterances- Career Possibilities' was delivered by **Ms. Asha Selvakumar**, Asst. Prof., Menon College. Students showcased their storytelling skills and were given feedback by the resource persons.

Marathi Wangmay Mandal inaugurated its activities at the hands of renowned writer, Shri. Milind Bokil, in a program 'Saunvaad' on Zoom platform on Oct. 1, 2021. He was interviewed by **Dr. Sneha Deuskar**, Vice Principal and Head, Dept. of Marathi and **Dr. Neelambari Kulkarni**. He talked about the process of creating narrative fiction as well as constituents of a narrative-plot, characters, socio-cultural context of plot etc. with special reference to the novel 'Shaalaa', a text prescribed at TYBA Marathi and short story 'Patang', a text prescribed at FYBA Marathi. More than 10 colleges attended the program. This program was the 7th one in the Annual Lecture series 'Katharang(कथारंग)' sponsored by Dr. Sudha Joshi, former Head, Dept of Marathi.

History Association celebrated 'National Post Day' in order to pay tribute to the founder of our institution, **Thakur Nand Kishore Singh 'Jairamji'** on Oct. 10, 2021. A short video on the history of Indian Post was shown. A 'Philately Presentation Competition' was organized as a part of this event. Students made well-researched presentations on the different themes of Indian Postage stamps such as Science & Technology, Films, Women etc. **Prof. Arundhati Chitre**, Dept. of Sociology, judged the competition. Students of SYBA and TYBA actively participated in these events. They were felicitated under the Certificate of Excellence Programme.

Gender Equity Cell organized a Poster- Making competition on the occasion of 'International Day of Girl Child' on Oct. 11, 2021.

Human Values' Cell organized a talk on 'Integrating Science and Humanities: A Scientist's Reflections on the Pandemic' by Dr. Prachi Trivedi, Research Scientist, Dept. of Biochemistry

and Biophysics, Texas A&M University, USA on Oct. 22, 2021.

Research Advisory Committee along with **IQAC** organized a workshop on ‘Science Writing’ on Nov. 26 & 27, 2021. The Resource Persons were **Dr. Jyotsana Nijsure** who gave an ‘Overview of Science Writing’, and Dr. Mugdha Ambatkar, who delivered a talk on ‘Techniques of Science Writing’. **Dr. Janhavi A. Bhagwat** was the incharge for the event.

Staff Academy and Speakers Forum on account of World Teachers’ Day, organised a felicitation programme for Dr. Amita Valmiki and a Guest Lecture by Mrs. Supriya Joshi titled ‘How responsibility changed my life!’ on Oct. 5, 2021

College Women Development Cell (CWDC) organised an event of Self Defence techniques for girls. A demonstration was made by Mr Vipul Suri of the Women Self Defence Centre, Andheri, Mumbai, on Oct. 4, 2021.

NSS

NSS Unit of RJ College in collaboration with Department of Zoology DBT Star Activity conducted ‘Eat Right Stay Bright’ quiz competition with 280 participants through online mode. The ultimate goal of the event was to spread awareness on the right food one should eat. With the collaboration of Ghatkopar Medical Association, NSS Unit of RJ College conducted ‘Disaster Management Preparedness’ on September 1 and September 8 with a total of 7 participants attending it with policemen to understand the importance of First aid with CPR. The Covid-19 Vaccination Drive was conducted on September 13 and September 14 respectively for the common people with 10 Volunteers. Fit India Freedom Run was conducted on September 19 and September 26, 2021, respectively in Rajawadi Jogging Park to celebrate the ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mohatsav’. Volunteers ran 1.5 km at Rajawadi Jogging Park. NSS Day was celebrated on September 24, 2021, where the NSS volunteers gave snacks to the needy children and street dogs. On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti on October 2, 2021, the NSS Unit cleaned the College Campus. ‘Remembering Gandhi’s Principles’ was displayed at Ghatkopar station. On Oct. 3, 2021, NSS volunteers coordinated an event wherein the coordination and logistic facilities were provided by the college to NGO United Ways, for distribution of Ration (35 kg that included cereals, pulses, oil, sugar, spices, etc.) to Mumbai’s Dabbawalas who have lost their jobs due to COVID 19. On October 21, the Green Audit Online Webinar was conducted by RJ College. NSS Volunteers participated actively in this Webinar. The NSS Unit on October 29, 2021, celebrated the Vigilance Week to fight against corruption. To celebrate the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, which is also celebrated as ‘The Unity Day’, the volunteers took the Unity Pledge on October 31, 2021. The NSS Unit of RJ college conducted the Covid-19 Vaccination Drive for the Students and the Staff of the RJ College. The NSS Unit in collaboration with the NCC Unit conducted a ‘Yoga Training Session’ from November 24-30, 2021, aiming to create awareness about the different Yogas along with theory lectures. Finally, an exam was conducted for all the volunteers. It was a great session with a lot of practical and theoretical knowledge. November 26, 2021, was celebrated as ‘Constitution Day’ where volunteers took the ‘pledge of the Preamble.’

LIBRARY NEWS

Reading Inspiration Day was celebrated on October 15, 2021, to commemorate the Birth Anniversary of our former President Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam on Zoom Platform. The book titled 'The Secret' by Rhonda Bryne was selected for review. The students were judged by a well-known motivational speaker, trainer and LOA Coach Shri Rajendra Kulkarni, Director of 'Yashasvi Bhavh'. Three students were selected for first three prizes and two students were given encouragement prizes. Shri Kulkarni further addressed and guided the students and teachers present about "Law of Attraction" the subject of the selected book for review. He also advised the students to develop their reading habits to build a mindful career and achieve success in life. All participants were given a certificate and a book as a token of appreciation.

NON-TEACHING STAFF NEWS

Non-Teaching Staff members organised Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations on September 10, 2021. An eco-friendly Ganesh idol was immersed in the premises itself to avoid pollution of water bodies.

IQAC NEWS

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous) conducted an online 'Academic and Administrative Audit' on September 25, 2021. Dr Geeta Ibrahim, Principal, Nirmala Niketan College of Home Science, Mumbai was the Convener. The other members were Dr S.R Madan, Dean, Department of Biotechnology, Kongunadu Arts and Science College, Coimbatore, Dr Surendra Thakur Desai, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, Gogate Jogalekar College, Ratnagiri, Dr Anagha Tendulkar, Associate Professor, Sociology, & IQAC Coordinator, Sophia College, Mumbai, Dr Dilip Patil, Director, Department of Life Long Learning and Extension, University of Mumbai, Dr D.G Phondekar, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of Mumbai, Dr Shaista Irshad, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Ishwar Saran PG College, University of Allahabad, Prayagraj and Ms Vrushali Raut Registrar Mittal College. The team made several observations on the good practices observed and also gave suggestions and recommendations. A national Webinar on Safety at Workplace for non-teaching staff, Post COVID, by Resource person Dr Prabodh Chobe, Former Senior General Manager, R & D, BASF, was organized on Sept. 28, 2021. IQAC of Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College also organised a Faculty Development Workshop on Teaching – Learning Evaluation Pedagogies on October 27, 28 and 30, 2021. With changing technology, the demand to be an effective teacher using multiple methods and adopt blended learning has propelled the IQAC to undertake the workshop and enable faculty to use Bloom's Taxonomy in TLE, help in instructional design, develop a standardized E-Content and use a standardized evaluation method. Professor Nandkumar Sawant of Department of Geography, Dr. Nandini Vaz Fernandes of the Department of Zoology and Mr Andrew Barreto, Department of English of the Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts & Science, Margoa, Goa conducted this

workshop. The topics covered at the sessions were: 'Quality in Higher Education: Curriculum designing and Role of IQAC', 'Designing Standardized formats: Teaching Plan and Standard PPT template', 'Digital Platforms/Blended learning- Session Planning for Students', Understanding Lower Order & Higher Order Thinking Skills (Bloom's taxonomy)' and 'Integration of Bloom's taxonomy in Teaching-Learning Evaluation'. The sessions were highly interactive and beneficial.

COLLEGE NEWS

Disaster Management training was inaugurated for eight police stations of Zone 7 on Sept. 3, 2021. It was attended by 32 Policemen and women, chief guest Additional CP IPS Shri Sanjay Darade, DCP Shri Kadam. This 5 days training was organised by GMA, Veer Foundation. NSS volunteers too joined it.

Teachers' day celebration was organised by the Students' Council Adhoc Committee 2021-2022 on Sept. 5, 2021.

Student Induction program (SIP) for Post graduate Diploma in Horticulture was organised on Sept. 5, 2021. A Workshop on tagging trees with QR code to create awareness about trees and conservation digital mode was conducted.

Student Induction program for Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical studies, Data management and Medical writing was conducted by the coordinator, Dr Archana Shirpurkar on Sept. 5, 2021.

Interaction of Principal with Teachers regarding Induction of Students of First Year Degree (2021-22) was organised from Sept. 6-9, 2021. Student Induction program (SIP) for first year degree college Deeksharambh was conducted from Sept. 6-9, 2021.

Field trip to Sanjay Gandhi National Park following COVID protocols for study of Biodiversity was conducted for students of M Sc Environment Science and Disaster Management on Sept. 11, 2021.

Student induction program (SIP) for PG Diploma in Regulatory Affairs was conducted by coordinator Dr DilipTripathi on Sept. 12, 2021.

BMC organised vaccination camp at Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala college on Sept. 13-14, 2021. NSS and Rotaract volunteers coordinated the drive

Meeting of OBC cell and SC/ST and Minority Cell was conducted on Sept. 21, 2021.

Capacity Building Workshop for teaching and non-teaching staff on 'Course Learning outcome Attainment' was conducted with Dr. Pragyna Prabhu, Principal, K J Somaiya College as resource person on Sept. 18, 2021.

R J C Popular lecture series on 'Redefining Ecotourism and Nature Interpretation' by Mr Anurag Karekar, Conservationist was conducted on Sept. 24, 2021.

The Academic Council Meeting was held on Oct. 21, 2021.

Navratri Pooja was organized on Oct. 14, 2021.

Dasherra Shastra Pooja was organized and attended by NCC cadets on Oct. 15, 2021.

A meeting of the College Development Committee (CDC) was held on Oct. 16, 2021.

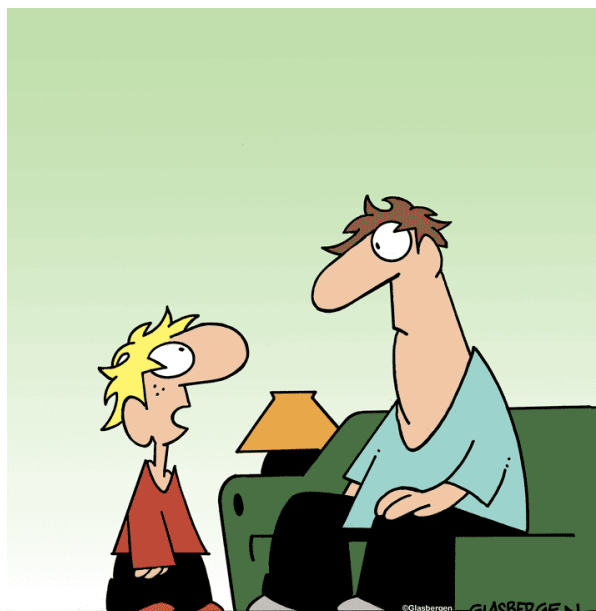
A Green Audit was conducted and its report was prepared and shared by Ms Roshni Udyavar and Associates, Wadala East, Mumbai, on Oct. 21, 2021.

STUDENTS NEWS

Mr. Vishwajeet Rai, SYBSc (Mathematics, Batch 2021-22), participated in the 'Online Foundation Course in Mathematics' organized under the aegis of MTTs trust during Sept. 19 – Oct. 11, 2021.

Mr. Hariom Narayan Umesh Thakur, SYBT, won First Consolation prize in Touristic Infographics Competition (Digital) in RJC-DLLE-TOURISTIC INFOGRAPHICS competition conducted between Sept. 20-27, 2021.

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"Show me your report card from your boss and I'll show you my report card from my teacher!"

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GUEST EDITOR'S COLUMN

How should we part?

Some words have the capacity to stir our emotions. We relate them to something that is essentially melancholy. Parting is one such word. Parting brings in separation, saying good-bye and a definite sense of loss. Given a chance, we would avoid parting.

But parting is inevitable. We part with people, with belongings, with relationships, with meaningful associations. And hence, one question which comes foremost to my mind is, how should we part?

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There has to be a sense of acceptance about parting. What we have with us today will not be with us forever. We will have to bid goodbye to something, to someone, utterly precious. Consequently, what we have today needs to be cherished. And on parting, we need to let go of it. But letting go does not mean not having memories. Memories are imperative and crucial to soothe the mind, to keep us connected in some way with our loss. Hence, memories should be cherished. Moreover, memories need to be positive which can usher in feelings of contentment about the happy moments spent together. But a line needs to be drawn and a balance needs to be accomplished between what we have at hand and what has bygone.

We also need to give closure after parting. Closure helps to seal a part of the past which may evoke pain or unpleasantness. Sometimes parting may leave us devastated. How much ever we may try, we can yet get carried away by sorrow or negativity. These feelings can play havoc with our mental well-being. They can keep pushing us back into the past. To cling on to the past to the extent that it hampers our present and future is meaningless. Closure helps us to come to terms with reality, acknowledge it the way it is and seek the roadmap ahead.

So how should we part?

Let's part with the promise in our hearts that we will bury all the negativity, if any, and consciously remember just the beautiful times, the laughter, the trust, the affection and the love that we may have shared with each other. I think this will surely blunt the blow of parting and help us to smile through our tears.

Know Your Guest Editor

Prof. Arundhati Chitre, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, has taken voluntary retirement after more than two decades of dedicated service at R.J. College.

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Dr. Sneha Deuskar (Vice Principal), Dr. Meher Mistry, Prof. Steven Lobo, Prof. Maria Shaikh, Dr. Janhavi Bhagwat, Prof. Akash Purswani, Prof. Suvarna Kalshetty and Prof. Taruna Vernekar

JUNIOR COLLEGE SECTION

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The students of SYJC-2021 Batch organized an interesting and fun-filled online event for our Junior College teachers on the occasion of Teacher's Day on Sept. 6, 2021.

Team Nirbhaya of Ghatkopar Police Station organised a special lecture especially for female students of SYJC about 'Good Touch, Bad Touch and Violence against women' on Oct. 8, 2021.

A webinar on 'Cyber Sakhi' was organised by Responsible Netism for female college students to foster digital empowerment, a safe cyber experience and to ensure mental well-being in cyberspace, on October 16, 2021.

FACULTY NEWS

Dr. Latika Bhanushali, Dept. of Marathi, Junior College, published her interview with Mr. Prasann Joshi, Editor, Saam TV, Mr. Akshay Bardapurkar, Director, Planet M and Prajakta Mali, Marathi Actress and Popular Anchor of 'Maharashtrachi Hasyajatra' (Maharashtrachi Hasyazatra) in Shabdha Ruchee, Diwali issue, Nov. 2021.

Prof. Amrita Singh, Dept. of Chemistry, Junior College, completed a five-day Online Training Program, '3030 Eklavya Program' (In line with NEP 2020 Nurture, Creativity and Critical Thinking) organized by Centre for Creative Learning (CCL), IIT Gandhinagar in collaboration with CBSE. The program was conducted as 5 episodes of 2 hours each on the following topics: 'Newton's Law of Motion' held on Sept. 26, 2021; 'Action and Reaction | Second and Third Laws of Motion' held on Oct. 3, 2021; 'Measurement: Length, Area and Volume' on Oct.10, 2021 and 'Shapes' on Oct.17, 2021 and 'Cell' held on Oct. 24, 2021.

STUDENT NEWS

Mr. Shiv Shankar Maurya of FYJC Science E won Second Prize in Youth Awareness Program, Inter-Collegiate Poster Making Competition on 'Swacchata Se Divyata Tak', organised by Shri Satya Sai Seva Organization, Mumbai on Nov. 7, 2021.