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St. Andrew's College received the Best College Award for 2015-16 conferred by the University of Mumbai with a cheque Rs. 50,000. This is a prestigious award as the University of Mumbai has over 700 affiliated colleges. The Award was presented by the Vice Chancellor, Dr. D. Shinde, to the Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes on 26 January 2018. She was accompanied by the Rector, Fr Magi Murzello and members of the teaching and non-teaching staff.

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Editorial

Come the month of February every year and the Staff room at St. Andrew's goes into overdrive. There is syllabus to be completed, exam time tables to be worked out, department files to be compiled, academic audits to be held, and of course, magazine reports to be written. It is often at this point when we pause and look back over the past months that we realize just how much the college has accomplished during the academic year.

Like a candle that shares its light evenly around it, our academic programmes, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities and social responsibility programmes aim at spreading our talents and efforts across the board. In keeping with our vision and mission, we aim to develop our students' academic profile, talents, values, ethics, sports and community spirit through our activities.

This approach is an integral part of a good educational institution today. In the current scenario we are bombarded with information from all directions. Students are faced with more choices and distractions than ever before and as lakhs of graduates are churned out every year, how do we ensure that our students stand out?

At St. Andrew's it is not enough for our students to simply pass this exam or that; we want our students to excel. And excellence is hard work. Students must attend lectures, guest talks, mentoring sessions and field trips. Their participation in seminars, discussions, projects and co-curriculars helps to develop their analytical and presentation skills, while students may finetune their talents in extra-curriculars and sports. We also encourage our students to expand their horizons using the library and online resources we offer. The Management, Trustees, Rector, Principal, teaching and non teaching staff, alumni, parents and well-wishers continually strive to make these facilities and programmes available so that our students may have the best all-round education possible.

It was therefore very heartening when our hard work was recognized and our college was selected for the 'Best College of University of Mumbai' award. Congratulations to all at St. Andrew's. Together may we keep the flag of St. Andrew's flying high.

Janine Coelho

From the Principal's Desk

*A dream doesn't become
a reality through magic,
It takes sweat, determination
and hard work.*

- Colin Powell

On 26 January 2018 we received the Best College Award conferred by the University of Mumbai which has approximately 700 colleges affiliated to it. The award was for the academic year 2015-16. We are proud of this wonderful achievement and we thank God for all his blessings. Our Rector, Fr. Magi Murzello has been nominated to the Senate by the Governor of Maharashtra and we congratulate him on this accomplishment.

On 6 June we began the academic year with a Tree Plantation drive by members of the Nature Club and a book display on Environment Day. As part of the Staff Advancement programme there were talks, on 'Scholarly Writing and Publications' by Dr. Sushma Paudwal, 'Right to Information' by Shailesh Gandhi and 'Gender Sensitization, Sexual Harassment and Cyber Crime' by Adv. Kamayani.

Yoga day and Anti-Drug day were observed and awareness was created among the students about the need for discipline and exercise and the harm caused by drugs, alcohol and nicotine. There was a visit to the prison by the students of the Faith on Campus group. Orientation to the NSS and Social Outreach programme were some of the highlights for June.

1 July was earmarked by the Accounts department as ICAI Foundation and GST



day. The students of the Banking and Insurance course undertook a Rural Connect programme with Uttan village, for the months of July and August. They brought home to the villagers the importance of banking and helped them open bank accounts. The NSS students tied up with the Rotary Club and organised a Blood donation drive. It was edifying to see so many young students come forward to donate blood.

We organise three major conferences every year and this year was no exception. On 17 and 18 November the Department of English organised a National Conference on 'Re-working, Re-imaging and Re-inventing: The Changing Faces of Adaptation Studies'. Our Keynote speaker, Dr. Pramod Nayar, Professor of English, University of Hyderabad, delivered his address on "Literature (Now) Contains Graphic Language." Dr. Rukmini Pande was our special speaker the next day. Her paper was on "Filling in the Blanks: Fandom as Adaptation". In all there were 22 papers presented by scholars from all over India.

The UNESCO and The Cardinal Paul Poupard Chair for Inter-Religious and Inter-Cultural

Dialogue organized the IX International Conference on “The Role of Education to Foster Religious Harmony” on 30 January 2018. The Conference began with the Presidential Address by His Eminence Cardinal Oswald Gracias. Our Keynote speaker was Harsh Mandar, writer, activist and Director of the Centre for Equity Studies. The other prominent speakers were Dr. (Fr) Frazer Mascarenhas who spoke about “Education from a Principal’s Perspective”, Jehangir Patel looked at “Resolving Religious Differences within Communities”. Sameera Khan dwelt on “What are our Children Learning? Role of Parents/ Teachers in Fostering Religious Harmony” and Carol Andrade discussed the “Success and Failure of Inspiring Leaders to Overcome Religious Discrimination”. This was followed by a panel discussion moderated by Dilip D’Souza.

The Economics Department organised their National Conference on 15 March, on “The Economics of Pollution”. The Keynote speaker was the well-known Claude Alvares, an environmentalist based in Goa. He is the editor of the Other India Press publication and Director of the Goa Foundation, an environmental monitoring action group. His lecture was on “The Economics of Pollution and the Pollution of Economics”. Prof. Sudhakar Yedla from Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR) made a case for Economics with his talk on “Re-visioning the Environment for Social Sustainability”. The other speakers included Bittu Sehgal’s presentation on “Seeking Sanctuary” and Hussain Indorewala’s views on “The Coastal Road”.

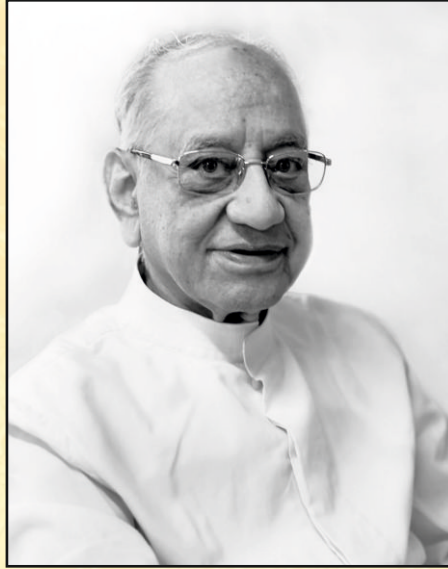
Of special mention this year was a talk on 19

January by Major General Ian Cardozo, arranged by Mr. Roger Pereira who is doing his best to encourage our young people to take up careers in the Defence and Civil Services and serve then nation with pride. Major General Cardozo spoke about his service in the Army and the Bangladesh war. He was a young major in the 5 Gorkha Rifles in the 1971 war with Pakistan. In a swift military offensive, India defeated Pakistan within 13 days and liberated a region which led to the creation of Bangladesh. In this war, the then Major Cardozo stepped on a landmine and had to cut off his badly wounded leg with his own khukri. Yet, through sheer will power and determination, he did not let his disability come in the way of his duty as a soldier. He went on to become the first disabled officer in the Indian Army to command an infantry battalion and a brigade. As a war hero, we hope that his story of courage and leadership is an inspiration to our students to also take up challenging positions and serve our country with love and honour.

These are a few highlights of this academic year. We invite you to read the reports of our departments and associations to see what makes the college so dynamic and vibrant. We thank our Management - Chairperson, Managing Trustee, Rector and other Trustees for all their help and guidance in carrying out the work we do.

Dr. Marie Fernandes
Principal

Congratulations!



Msgr. Nereus Rodrigues

Cardinal Oswald Gracias, the Archbishop of Bombay, has instituted the “Msgr. Nereus Rodrigues Educator Award” to honor a longtime advocate for education in the archdiocese. The Cardinal awarded Msgr. Rodrigues a Lifetime Achievement Award to honor him as he marked his 95th birthday.

The new award named after him will go to the “Best Educator” in the Archdiocese of Bombay. Msgr. Rodrigues also celebrated 60 years in the Archdiocese's Education apostolate. He still serves as a Trustee of St. Andrew's College in the archdiocese. He was the college's Founding Trustee and Our First Principal and continued as Rector until 2011.



Fr. Magi Muzello

It was a proud moment for St. Andrew's College when our Rector Fr. Magi Muzello was nominated to the Senate of the University of Mumbai.



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Teaching Staff - Self Financed Courses



Teaching Staff - Junior College



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T. Y. B. Sc. (Hospitality)



M. Com.



T. Y. BAF

Congratulations



**Congratulations to
Dr. Desiree Gonsalves
Ms. Melanie D'Souza and Mr. Frederick Arland
on being appointed
Vice-Principals of the Degree,
Self-financed and Junior College respectively.**

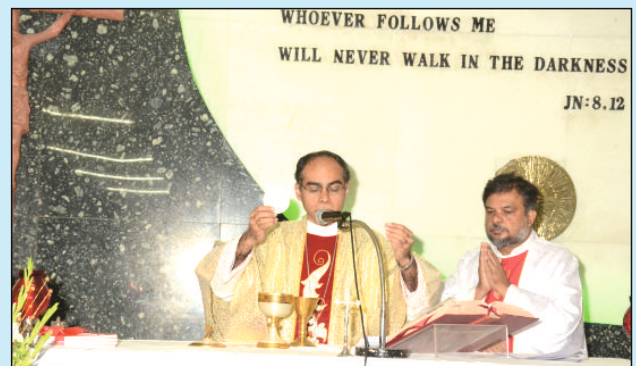
ST. ANDREW'S FEAST DAY



Lighting of the lamp



Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes with the Rector Fr. Magi and Bishop John Rodrigues



Bishop John Rodrigues and Fr. Magi celebrate the Feast Mass

M.COM



Calligraphy Workshop by Mr. Sanjay Hankare



Book Launch – Management T-20



Dermatology Workshop by Dr. Shreyas Kamath



Seminar on Intergenerational Bonding by
Nirmala Samant Prabhavalkar & Prakash Borgaonkar



Serendipity Workshop by Dr. Omkar Bhatkar

COMPLETION OF 25 YEARS OF SERVICE

Hearty Congratulations to all



Dr. Shirley Abraham



Mr. Sunny Fernandes.



Sports Director R. G. More



Mrs. Joanita G. Fernandes



Mr. Hermangild Fernandes.



Mr. Mahesh A. Waghela

Congratulations

to

Dr. Desiree Gonsalves and Dr. Sujata Rajpurkar
on being awarded the PhD degree in
Commerce (Business Policy and Administration)
and Library and Information Science respectively.



Dr. Gonsalves' thesis was based on
"The Emerging Lifestyle Brand Markets in Mumbai:
An Exploratory Study on its Impact and
Potential amongst the Youth".

Dr. Sujata Rajpurkar's thesis was based on
"Information Seeking Behaviour of B.Ed. Students in
Education Colleges in Mumbai"



ANNUAL DAY



Principal's Report



Mr. Roger Pereira
introducing Chief Guest



Chief Guest Commodore
M. L. Mathew NM



Managing Trustee Dr. Fr. Caesar D'Mello saying
a prayer with Compere - Dr. Kashmira Mody



Six staff members felicitated for completing 25 years of service

BISHOP LONGINUS PEREIRA FREESHIP FOR THE YEAR 2017-2018

Sr. No	Name of the Students	Class
1	Mr. Yash Devkota	FYBsc IT
2	Ms. Devika M. Wagehla	FYBMS
3	Mr. D.corta Dozwin	TYBSC HS
4	Mr. Sushabh Shinda	FYBA
5	Ms. Leandra Rodrigues	FYJC ARTS
6	Ms. Sarla Tiwari SYJC COM	

DR. MARIE FERNANDES FREESHIP FOR THE YEAR 2017-2018

Sr. No	Name of the Students	Class
1	Tiwari Sarita	SYBMS

Before becoming a ridiculously prolific writer, Stephen King was a janitor, gas pump attendant, and worker at an industrial laundry. King's first novel, Carrie, was rejected by thirty publishers, and King was so discouraged that he threw the manuscript away. Lucky for him, his wife, Tabitha, retrieved the book and urged him to keep working on it (even though they lived in a trailer had two small children to support). Carrie was eventually published, starting King on a long and incredibly successful writing career.

LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIOR COLLEGE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-2017

Sr. No	Donor	Scholarship awarded for	Name of the Recipient
1	Msgr. Nereus Rodrigues Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee (1999) Scholarship	Value Education	Kinny Lennox G
2	Nelson Mandela Scholarship	Best Value Education Co-ordinator	Fonseca Andrea
3	Msgr. Nereus Rodrigues Scholarship	To deserving students of the Social Outreach Programme	1. Rodrigues Larisa 2. D'souza Michelle
4	Mrs. Marie Rodrigues Scholarship	A student of the Social Outreach Programme good in either Mathematics, Accounts or Science	D'souza Mikael
5	Mr. Ivan Rodrigues Scholarship	A student of the Social Outreach Programme good in Hockey or any other sport	Mendonca Clerita
6	Faith-on-Campus Award	Best Faith-on-Campus Volunteer	D'sa Nikita
7	Rev. Dr. Percival Fernandez Scholarship	FYBA Highest Aggregate marks	Fernandes Genis
8	Palmira & John Fernandes Scholarship	Highest marks in English Literature (FYBA)	Varghese Susheel
9	Late Sultan Nathani Scholarship	Highest marks in Psychology (FYBA)	Varghese Susheel
10	Rui Smith Scholarship	Highest marks in Hindi (FYBA)	D'Souza Ancilla
11	Edward Saldanha Scholarship	Deserving 1st Class student of FYBA	Coutinho Rose
12	Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	Highest marks in Economics (FYBA)	Fernandes Genis
13	Azim Tapia Scholarship	Highest marks in FYBCom	D'Souza Vanessa
14	Germaine Remedios Scholarship	Highest marks in Mathematics & Statistics (FYBCom)	D'Souza Vanessa
15	Roque Francis D Souza Scholarship	To a deserving student of the F.Y.B.Com class	Thomas Kumar Abigail
16	Palmira and John Fernandes Scholarship	Highest marks in English Literature (SYBA)	Rodrigues Megan

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17	Mikhail Gorbachev Scholarship	Highest marks in History (SYBA)	Cascar Jeslyn
18	Louis & Annie Gonsalves Scholarship	Most deserving Catholic student of SYBA	Cascar Jeslyn
19	Agnello Menezes Scholarship	Most deserving student of SYBA	Rodrigues Megan
20	Sheila Chaves Scholarship	Most deserving student of SYBA	Patel Fatema
21	The Late Res Pinto Scholarship	SYBCom Highest Aggregate marks	D'souza Mikael
22	Louis & Annie Gonsalves Scholarship	Most deserving Catholic student of SYBCom	D'souza Mikael
23	Kenneth Remedios Scholarship	Highest marks in Advertising (SYBCom)	Almeida Ruth Fernandes Janice
24	Clifford Athaide Memorial Scholarship	TYBA Highest Aggregate marks at University Examination	Fernandes Janice
25	Bishnupriya Chakravarti Scholarship	For securing 1 st Class in Sociology Major (6 papers) at the TYBA Examination.	Fernandes Janice
26	The Cardinal Simon Pimenta Scholarship	TYBA Highest Aggregate marks at University Examination	Fernandes Janice
27	Mabel Tavares Memorial Scholarship	Highest marks in Mathematics & Statistics with 1st Class at the T.Y.B.A.	D'souza Stephanie
28	Late Edwin D'Souza Scholarship & Mr. Willie & Ms. Mary D'Souza Scholarship	Highest marks in History (TYBA)	D'souza Twinkle
29	Lawrence & Maria D'Abreo Scholarship	For a deserving Catholic student for consistent all round academic excellence in FY, SY & TYBA	Waller Kelly
30	Palmira and John Fernandes Scholarship	Highest marks in English Literature (TYBA)	Waller Kelly

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31	Rabindranath & Aparna Sen Scholarship	Highest marks in English at the TYBA Examination.	Waller Kelly
32	Prof. Prafulla Pereira Scholarship & Emilia Gomendes Memorial Gomendes Scholarship	Highest marks in Psychology (TYBA)	Misquitta Victor
33	The Late Queenie Lobo Scholarship	Highest marks in Economics (TYBA)	D'souza Stephanie
34	Mercyraj Memorial Scholarship	The most desrving Catholic student with History as double major in the VI Semester	Gigool Diana
35	Mercyraj Memorial Scholarship	The most promising student all-rounder with History as double major in the V Semester	D'costa Veronica
36	Rev. Dr. Percival Fernandez Scholarship	TYBCom Highest Aggregate marks at the University Examination	D'souza Benita Tresa
37	Lawrence & Maria D'Abreo Scholarship	For a deserving Catholic student for consistent all round academic excellence in FY, SY & TYBCom.	D'souza Benita Tresa
38	T. R. Arunachalam Scholarship & Ms. Veeda Menezes Scholarship	Highest marks in Financial Accounting & Auditing (TYBCom)	D'souza Benita Tresa
39	Clement Dos Remedios Scholarship	Highest marks in M.H.R.M. (TYBCom)	Misquitha Elisha Denis
40	The Late Savio Ignatius Pereira Scholarship	Deserving Catholic student, securing minimum 70% marks in the BMS University Examination	Fernandes Adora
41	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	F.Y.B.M.S. (Semester I & II)	Sojan Janet
42	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	S.Y.B.M.S. (Semester III & IV)	Correa Renisha
43	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	T.Y.B.M.S. (Semester V & VI)	D'souza Venessa
44	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	F.Y.B.M.M. (Semester I & II)	Menezes Blossom

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45	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	S.Y.B.M.M. (Semester III & IV)	Gracious Desiree
46	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	T.Y.B.M.M. (Semester V & VI)	Godinho Priyanka
47	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	F.Y.B.Sc-IT. (Semester I & II)	Narwani Mala
48	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	S.Y.B.Sc-IT. (Semester III & IV)	Shaikh Samiya
49	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	T.Y.B.Sc-IT. (Semester V & VI)	D'penha Nathan
50	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	F.Y.B.Com. (A&F) (Semester I & II)	1. Fernandes Nicholette 2. Coelho Chriselle
51	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	S.Y.B.Com. (A&F) (Semester III & IV)	D'souza Trenita
52	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	T.Y.B.Com. (A&F) (Semester V & VI)	Fernandes Carlton
53	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	F.Y.B.Sc-HS	Kargutkar Tanvi
54	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	S.Y.B.Sc-HS	Mendonca Wendell
55	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	T.Y.B.Sc-HS	Lodrick Chriselle
56	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	F.Y.B.Com. (B&I) (Semester I & II)	Miranda Melroy
57	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	S.Y.B.Com. (B&I) (Semester III & IV)	D'souza Sherin
58	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	T.Y.B.Com. (B&I) (Semester V & VI)	Fernandes Antonete
59	The Late Res Pinto Memorial Scholarship	M.Com. (Business Management)	D'souza Fiona
60	Late Vinod Mehra Scholarship	Outstanding performance in the Inter-collegiate Dramatic Competition	Varghese Susheel
61	Marie Correa Scholarship	All round performance (male) 2017-18	Kinny Lennox G

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62	Marie Correa Scholarship	All round performance (female) 2017-18	Patel Fatema
63	Joseph & Tina D'Souza Scholarship	Best all rounder, a student good at academics, sports & has participated in extra curricular activities	Shah Ruddhi
64	St. Paul's Institute of Communication Education Scholarship	All round performance (male) BMM	Suratwala Darshan
65	St. Paul's Institute of Communication Education Scholarship	All round performance (female) BMM	Gadgil Sanika
66	Leandro D'Sylva Winston & Wendy D'Sylva Scholarship	Deserving Catholic student	D'souza Alisha
67	Swavalamban Helfta Vikas Mandal Awards in memory of Mrs. Elfreda D'Almeida	Outstanding qualities in leadership and social awareness (NSS)	Gonsalves Glen
68	Principal A.D. Mascarenhas Award	Excellence in Academic & Sports (combined) in First Year 2016-17	Pauls Benny
69	Clifford Athaide Memorial Scholarship	Best Sportswoman of the Year 2017-18	Pereira Delfiya
70	Clifford Athaide Memorial Scholarship	Best Sportsman of the Year 2017-18	Moraes Scott
71	Olivo Prize	Best Performer 2017-18	D'souza Caroline
72	Library	Best User Award 2017-18	1. Lobo Shekhar Neillson 2. Pujari Padma Durga 3. Verma Dilip Sohan 4. Braggs Michael Carol 5. Omkar Parab
73	Music Award	Outstanding participation in Music Activities	Demello Laura
74	Dance Award	Outstanding participation in Dance Activities	Saba Shaikh

LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES FOR JUNIOR COLLEGE

Sr. No	Donor	Scholarship awarded for	Name of the Recipient
1	Johnnie Alves Scholarship	A Class XII Student with consistent academic excellence and leadership qualities in Class XI & XII	Arts : Dontul Rhea Shrinivas
2	Johnnie Alves Scholarship	A Class XII Student with consistent academic excellence and leadership qualities in Class XI & XII	Sci.: Bhumishtha Rahul Bhadsavle
3	Johnnie Alves Scholarship	A Class XII Student with consistent academic excellence and leadership qualities in Class XI & XII	Comm.: Serrao Trisha
4	The Gerry Saldanha Memorial Scholarship	For securing the highest marks at the H.S.C. Exam 2017 in the Arts stream and continuing in St. Andrew's College (84.31%).	D'souza Cimrel Collin
5	The Anthony Marcelino Salgado D'Souza Memorial Scholarship	For securing the highest marks at the H.S.C. Exam 2017 in the Commerce stream 88.62%	1 D'sa Eric Augustine 2 Mehra Ruchi Shivsing 3 Rebello Shawn Steven
6	The Robert Mascarenhas Scholarship	For securing the highest marks at the H.S.C. Exam 2017 in the Science stream 87.08%	D'souza Ashley Agnelo
7	The Late Edwin D'Souza Scholarship	For obtaining the highest marks in Physics (85 marks) at the H.S.C. Exam 2017.	1 D'souza Ashley Agnelo 2 Miranda Joshua Joseph
8	The Late Edwin D'Souza Scholarship	For obtaining the highest marks in Chemistry (92 marks) at the H.S.C. Exam 2017.	Jaiswal Pradeep Basant
9	The Late Edwin D'Souza Scholarship	For obtaining the highest marks in Mathematics (99 marks) at the H.S.C. Exam 2017.	Lobo Delford Damiao
10	The Late Mrs. Rita Vaz Scholarship	To a deserving Catholic student of F.Y.J.C. Arts, 2016-17	Hegde Krisandra Harijivan

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11	The Late Mrs. Rita Vaz Scholarship	To a deserving Catholic student of F.Y.J.C. Science, 2016-17	D'souza Jenifer
12	The Late Mrs. Rita Vaz Scholarship	To a deserving Catholic student of F.Y.J.C. Commerce, 2016-17	Toppo Rosalina James
13	The Principal A. D. Mascarenhas Award	For excellence in Academics and Sports (combined) in F.Y.J.C. 2016-17	Barretto Sweety
14	Principal's Special Prize	Outstanding Sportswoman of the Year	Pais Karen
15	Principal's Special Prize	Outstanding Sportsman of the Year	Shaikh Adnan Allauddin
16	College Academic Award (Arts)	For securing the highest aggregate marks at the F.Y.J.C. exam 2017 in the Arts Stream.	Fernandes Christalle Edward
17	Best Student of the Year 2016-17	Best Girl	Mathew Rachel Mathan
18	College Academic Award (Science)	For securing the highest aggregate marks at the F.Y.J.C. exam 2017 in the Science Stream with 91.69%	Vaish Abhishek Ramkumar
19	College Academic Award (Commerce)	For securing the highest aggregate marks at the F.Y.J.C. exam 2017 in the Commerce Stream with 90.92 %	D'silva Sharina Rudolf
20	Best Student of the Year 2016-17	Best Boy	D'souza Reevan Jerald
21	The Prof. Tania Donald Scholarship	For securing the highest marks in Sociology at the HSC Examination 2017 : 91 MARKS	D'souza Simone Marie
22	Mrs. Neena Shet Scholarship in the name of Mr. Flunar Sunil Shah	For a deserving student who has passed FYJC from Science or Commerce 2016-17	Patil Sushmita Mukesh

Staff News

Department of English

Dr. Marie B. Fernandes.

- Attended the Confederation of Indian Industry, 2nd Edition of Principal's Conclave, "Building Institutions of Excellence," at Welingkar Campus, Matunga, on 20 November 2017.
- Attended a meeting with Italian University representatives and a Round Table Conference between Indian Universities and Colleges and Italian Universities on 24-25 November 2017.
- Article Published: "Sacrificing the Nation in the Interest of Family as Reflected in *All My Sons*" in *Ethics and Society: An International Journal Religion and Cultures for Peace and Harmony* - Vol. 7, (Pub. Cardinal Paul Poupard Chair for Inter-Religious and Inter-Cultural Dialogue: Mumbai, 2018), pgs 26-29.
- Appointed to the Board of Studies in English, University of Mumbai, 2 February 2018.
- Retellings for Children" in "The Criterion: An International Journal in English", Vol.8, Issue-VIII, July 2017 ISSN: 0976-8165.
- Presented a paper entitled "Bringing the Gods Down to Earth: A Study of Unconventional Representations of the Gods in Mythological Narratives for Children" at an international conference on "Religion, Literature and Culture", organized by the Higher Education and Research Society at Pune, 15-16 September 2017.
- Delivered a lecture entitled "Introduction to Children's Literature" at Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Ghatkopar as part of "Enrichment Lectures" conducted for Postgraduate students on 19 January 2018.
- Was invited as Subject Expert (Governing Body) for Business Communication (Selection Committee) at MMK College, Bandra West, on 22 March 2018.

Susan Lobo

- Attended a two-and-a-half- day workshop at Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai on 'Assessments in English Language Teaching' conducted by King's College London in collaboration with the Tata Institute of Social Sciences from 20 July-22 July 2017.
- Published a research paper entitled "Old Wine in New Bottles?: A Study of the Representation of Mythical Heroines from Hindu Mythology in
- Participated in the First Summer School in Hong Kong for the Asian Post-Doctoral Fellowship sponsored by the University of Hong Kong in May 2017.
- Edited a book *Contemporary Challenges in Higher Education* - Published by Oxford Book Co. in July 2017
- Presented a paper on "Employability Enhancement through Teaching Creative Writing in the time of Auto-Didact" at a national seminar at M.L.Dahanukar College in July 2017.

- A member of the Syllabus Revision Committee for MA - Film and Literature in the University of Mumbai - July 2017
- Published a chapter, "History of Higher Education in the World", in *Contemporary Challenges in Higher Education* published by Oxford Book Co. in July 2017.
- Selected as a Content Writer for FYBA in the subjects of English and Communication Skills by IDOL- University of Mumbai in July 2017.
- Published a chapter "Marginalized in Plurality: Dalit Literature and Black American Writings" in a book '*Vision and Challenges of Caste Politics- The Subaltern Indian Literary Studies*' -ISBN 978-93-83026-83-3 published by Pearl Books - August 2017
- Delivered a lecture on "Quality Enhancement and Accreditation of Higher Education Institute' as a Resource person at Dr. Abdul Kalam Govt. College, Silvassa in August 2017
- Invited by SAARC Cultural Centre, Sri Lanka as a non-official nominee of the member state of India to present a research paper in "SAARC Research Seminar on Buddhist Cultural Trails" in August 2017.
- Published a paper "Aesthetics of Sublime V/S Subliminal: Comparison and Contrast in Dalit Writings" in *Phenomenal Literature* (ISSN 23475951) - UGC approved.
- Completed a Refresher Course in Women and Social Sciences (ID) at HRDC - University of Mumbai in October 2017
- Edited a book *Faultline in Higher Education: An Indian Perspective* published by Studera Press in December 2017
- Published a chapter "Faultline in the Indian Higher Education System- An Introduction" in *Fault line in Higher Education: An Indian Perspective* published by Studera Press in December 2017.
- Presented a paper on "Inclusive Economy and Dalit Buddhists: Capitalism as a Tool to Rise above Castes in Post-Globalised India" at an International Conference at Ahmedabad Management Association in December 2017.
- Presented a paper on "Caste Religious Fault Line in Indian Society with Reference to the Dalit-Buddhist Equation' at an international conference on 'Ideas of Harmonious Coexistence: Religions and Philosophies of India" at JNU- Delhi in December 2017.
- Presented a paper on "Social Justice of Dr. Ambedkar in Today's India: Identity Politics and Contemporary Buddhism' at a UGC-ICSSR sponsored two-day global seminar on "Dr. B. R. Ambedkar & Constitutionalism" at P. G. College of Law, Osmania University, Hyderabad in January 2018.
- Presented a paper on "Role of Buddhism in Transforming Social Dogmas: Dhamma and Social Justice for Dalits in India" at an international conference on 'Buddhist Phenomenology, Culture and Society' organised by the Department of

Philosophy, University of Mumbai in February 2018.

- Edited a book *Higher v/s Hired Education* published by Educreation Publications Ltd. in March 2018.
- Published a chapter “Neo-Liberal Ideologies in Higher Education” in a book *Higher v/s Hired Education* published by Educreation Publications Ltd. in March 2018
- Presented a paper on “Adaptation as Translation: Inter-relation between Film and Literature in Shakespeare's *Macbeth*” at an international seminar on 'Literature and Globalization' organised by the Department of English, University of Mumbai in March 2018.
- Presented a paper on “Dalit Women and Subaltern Struggle: History of Women's Study Narratives in India” at a national conference on 'Revisiting the Indian Freedom Struggle and the Resistance of Subaltern Groups' organised by the Institute of Distance and Open Learning-University of Mumbai and NCERT New Delhi in March 2018.
- Published a paper on “Dalit Women in Modern India: Beyond the Standpoint Theory and Above the Women's Study Narratives” in *Vidyawarta*, an international multilingual journal (ISSN-23199318- UGC approved) in April 2018.
- Chief Editor of 'VidyaVarta'- an international multilingual journal (ISSN-23199318- UGC approved) for a special issue on 'Women's Studies' to be published in April 2018.
- Chief Editor of 'Commerce Window' (ISSN 2348-6996)-International Peer-

reviewed Journal and Interdisciplinary Content and Context.

Samira Nadkarni

- Presented a paper titled “O trespass sweetly urged”: Exploring Local and Online Contexts in ALT Balaji's *Romil and Jugal*” at 'Re-working, Re-imagining, Re-inventing: The Changing Faces of Adaptation Studies,' the national conference of St. Andrew's College, Mumbai, held on 17-18 November 2017.
- Conducted a talk titled 'Re/Examining Diversity in Media Narratives' at the University of Northampton (U. K.) as an invited speaker for the Department of Television Studies, held on 12 December 2017.
- Conducted a talk titled 'Postcolonial Feminisms and Bharati Mukherjee's *New Miss India*' as an invited speaker (via skype) for the module 'Contemporary British/Postcolonial Literatures' for the Department of English at Campbell University (U. S. A.) on 16 March 2018.
- Member of the Shadow Clarke Jury(for the Arthur C. Clarke Award in Science Fiction), through the Anglia Ruskin Centre for Science Fiction and Fantasy, at the Anglia Ruskin University (U. K.) from February - May 2018.
- Published 'Telling Different Stories: Examining Black Widow Fanvids,' in *Marvel's Black Widow From Spy to Superhero: Essays on An Avenger with a Very Specific Skill Set*, ed. Sherry Ginn (USA: McFarland Press, 2017).
- Published "To be the Shield": American Imperialism and Explosive Identity

Politics in Marvel's *Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*, in *Assembling the Marvel Cinematic Universe: Essays on the Social, Cultural and Geopolitical Domains*, edited by Julian C. Chambliss, William L. Svitavsky, Daniel Fandino (USA: McFarland Press, 2018).

- Member of the editorial board for *Watcher Junior*, the undergraduate journal of the Whedon Studies Association.
- Peer reviewed articles for *Queering the Whedonverses* (15.2 [46], Summer / Fall 2017), a special issue of *Slayage: The Journal of the Whedon Studies Association*.
- Invited to peer review for a special collection of *Queer Media and Popular Culture* titled *Transnational Queer Media and Popular Culture* (2018), edited by Dr. Ahmet Atay.

Department of Economics

Dr. Amelia Correa

- Attended a one-day workshop on the revised syllabus for SYB.Com, Business Economics Paper III & IV at MMK College on June 23, 2017.
- Participated in a workshop hosted by Sophia College on the revised syllabus of the SYBA Economics Papers II & III on June 29, 2017.
- Attended a one-day workshop on the revised syllabus for the SYBA Economics papers on October 7, 2017.
- Attended a seminar on Budget Impact Analysis 2018 held by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) on 2 February 2018.

Dr. Kashmira P. Mody

- Participated in a workshop on the revised syllabus in Economics for S.Y.B.A. organised by the Board of Studies in Economics, University of Mumbai, hosted by the Department of Economics, Sophia College for Women on 29 June 2017.
- Attended the 23rd Lalit Doshi Memorial Lecture delivered by Dr. Kaushik Basu, Professor Cornell University and Former V.P. and Chief Economist World Bank, on "The Global Economy: What Can India Do to Seize the Lead?" 4 August 2017.
- Participated in a workshop on the revised syllabus in Economics for S.Y.B.A. organised by the Board of Studies in Economics, University of Mumbai, hosted by the Department of Economics, D. G. Ruparel College of Arts, Science and Commerce on 7 October 2017.
- Participated in a conference on "Political Economy of Public Policy" organised by the Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai, 15-16 December 2017.
- Attended a lecture on "Growth with Stability: National and International Dimensions" by Prof. D. M. Nachane, at Ruia College, Department of Economics Conclave on 23 December 2017.
- Attended a lecture on "The Geopolitics of Oil," by Girish Kuber, Chief Editor, Loksatta, at Ruia College, Department of Economics Conclave on 23 December 2017.
- Attended the 6th Prof. Dharendra Narain Endowment Lecture delivered

by Prof. D. M. Nachane, Chancellor, Central University of Manipur, on "Indian Economics: Tragedy of a Forsaken Legacy" at the Asiatic Society of Mumbai on 17 January 2018.

- Published a paper, "The Challenge of Cryptocurrencies," in the Conference Proceedings of an interdisciplinary national conference on "Economics, Banking - Finance and Social Sciences," organised by K. E. S. Shroff College of Arts and Commerce, 16-17 February 2018.
- Presented and published a paper, "Central Bank Cryptocurrencies" in the Conference Proceedings of an international conference on "Modern Trends in Business, Economics, Management and Social Sciences," at Lala Lajpat Rai College on 10 March 2018.

Department of Business Economics

Dr. G. Tavares

- Attended a workshop for SYB.Com at MMK College on 23 June 2017.
- Attended a workshop for SYBA at Sophia College on 29 June 2017.
- Attended a workshop for SYBA at D. G. Ruparel on 7 October 2017.
- Judged an inter-collegiate competition held by the University of Mumbai for AVISHKAR-Research Convention on 13 December 2017.
- Attended a conference on 'Political Economy of Public Policy' held by the Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai

on 15-16 December 2017.

- Attended a seminar on 'Budget Impact Analysis 2018' held by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) on 2 February 2018.

Department of Sociology

Dr. Shirly George

- Attended a one-day workshop organized by the Department of Sociology, Mithibai College in collaboration with Adhoc Board of Studies in Sociology on SYBA syllabus revision for Paper II and III on 14 June 2017.
- Invited to Sophia Centre for Women Studies and Development, Sophia College to conduct a session on the topic 'Nature and Significance of Qualitative Research' on 21 September 2017.

Dr. Vatika Sibal

- Attended a one-day workshop organized by the Department of Sociology in collaboration with Adhoc Board of Studies in Sociology on SYBA syllabus revision for Paper II and III on 14 June 2017.
- Appointed External Examiner for TYBA paper on Urban Sociology and Media, Culture and Society at St. Xavier's College, October 2017.
- Published a paper 'Stereotyping Women in Indian Cinema' in an international peer-reviewed and refereed Scholarly Journal for Interdisciplinary Studies, UGC-approved Sr. No 49366. ISSN 2319-4766, Impact Factor 6.177.

- Invited to L.S. Raheja College to talk on 'Careers Options in Sociology' to second year students on 28 March 2018.

Department of Psychology

Shubda Malhotra

- Conducted a workshop for second year MBBS students of Grant Medical Government College on "Strengthening Soft Skills" organized by Maharashtra University of Health Sciences on 17 April 2018.

Sharmila Dhote

- Attended a one-day workshop on the "Revised Syllabus of Foundation Course" at Pragati College, Dombivli on 20 June 2017.
- Published a paper titled "Spiritual Intelligence as a New Perspective in Fostering Religious Harmony in Colleges - A Review" in the "Academic Social Research" - an international research referred journal Vol.3, No.3, ISSN No. 2456-2645, Impact factor 3.213, July to September 2017.
- Attended a one-day workshop on "Recent Amendments in UGC Norms for the API under CAS" at K. J. Somaiya College, Vidhyavihar on 16 Sept, 2017.
- Attended the UGC-sponsored Short Term Course on 'Gender Sensitization' conducted by HRDC, RTMN University, Nagpur from 4–9 December 2017.
- Presented a paper titled "Spiritual Intelligence: New Trends in Consumer Awareness and Marketing Implications" at the two-day international conference on 'Innovations in Commerce and Science' at Nizam

College, Hyderabad on 29 - 30 November 2017.

- Presented a paper titled, "A Study of Depression and Spiritual Intelligence among Adolescents of the Modern Age" at the two-day national conference on 'Disorders of Modern Life and the Role of Counselling' at Yeshwant Mahavidyalaya, Wardha on 19 - 20 January 2018.
- Presented a paper titled, "The Indian Education System and Mental Health in India : A Critical Review", at the International Conference on 'Commerce, Banking, Economics, Management, Law, Social Sciences and Environmental Concerns, at Harris College of Arts and Khalsekar College of Commerce at Nallasopara on 27 January 2018. The paper was published in 'Genuis' (peer-reviewed and referred UGC listed journal No. 47100), Impact factor 4.248.
- Published a paper titled, "Impact of Marital Adjustment on the Mental Health of Working Women" in The Indian Journal of Mental Health, Issue 2018; 5 (1), UGC Approved Journal P-ISSN :2394-4579, E-ISSN :2194-6652, Impact factor 1.6
- Attended the International Conference on 'The Role of Education to Foster Religious Harmony' organised by the UNESCO and the Cardinal Paul Poupard Foundation Chair at St. Andrew's College, Bandra on 30 January 2018.

Dr. Madhu Rai

- Presented a paper on "Efficacy of Mandala Creations in Reducing Anxiety" in a seminar on "Positive

Footprints: Towards a Healthy Society” conducted by The Bombay Psychological Association at Smt. P. N. Doshi Women's College, SNDT, Ghatkopar on 12 January 2018.

- Attended a one-day workshop on the “Revised Syllabus of Foundation Course” organised by Pragati College, Dombivli and BOS in Foundation Course, University of Mumbai, on 20 June, 2017.

Department of History

Janine Coelho

- Participated in a workshop on the revised syllabus for History Papers II and III for S.Y.B.A. conducted at Guru Nanak Khalsa College on 19 July, 2017.
- Completed (with Grade 'A') the UGC Refresher Course on 'Women and Social Sciences' held at the HRDC, University of Mumbai from 27 September to 17 October 2017.
- Appointed Resource Person on 'Christian Mythology through Symbols and Parables' for the certificate course in Heritage of Mumbai, held at RamnarainRuia College, on 11 January, 2018.

Department of Commerce

Dr. Charmaine Braganza

- Appointed as a Subject Expert for Commerce as a member of the Selection Committee to scrutinize and verify API-based PBAS at Smt. Mithibai Motiram Kundanani College of Commerce and Economics on 20 March 2018.

Dr. Harmeet Kaur Bhasin

- Attended a one-day workshop on the revised syllabus of SYB.Com Semester III & IV in the subject of Commerce and Accountancy at Gurukul College of Commerce on 24 June 2017.
- Attended a first-term training programme for extension teachers and student managers organized by the University of Mumbai (Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension) at Patkar Varde College on 18 August 2017.
- Attended a TYB.Com Syllabus Restructuring meeting in the subject of Marketing Research at Ramanand Arya D. A. V. College on 24 January 2018.
- Conducted workshops and lectures at MCC (Madras Christian College), Chennai as a part of the Faculty Exchange Programme from 31 January - 3 February 2018.

Desiree Gonsalves

- Returned from a two- year FIP after submission of PhD thesis in Commerce to University of Mumbai in September 2017.
- Attended a two- day “Academic Leadership Workshop: Changing Paradigms” organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) at Hotel Orchid on 22 and 23 January 2018.
- Participated in The Dimensions (Organisation of Christian Entrepreneurs and Professionals) meet at Hotel Avion on 24 February 2018.
- Participated in the inaugural Bandra Chapter meet of Dimensions at Daughters of St. Paul, Bandra on 15 March 2018.

- Attended The Economic Times Best Education Brands 2018 meet on 24 March 2018.

Department of Accountancy

Kevin M. Miranda

- Participated in the ICAI Corporate Expo-2018 organized by BFSIC of ICAI on 19 - 20 January 2018.
- Reviewed research papers of undergraduate students at the state-level student seminar organised by Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Ghatkopar West held on 16-17 February 2018.

Jyoti M. Bhatia

- Participated as a delegate in the '12th Corporate Governance Summit' organized by CII on 11 November 2017.
- Participated in a one-day workshop on 'Syllabus Revision for SYB.Com' at Narsee Monjee College of Commerce & Economics on July 4, 2017.
- Participated in the ICAI Corporate Expo-2018 organized by BFSIC of ICAI on 19 - 20 January 2018.
- Participated in a one-day workshop on Syllabus revision at Thakur College of Science & Commerce on 3 February, 2018.
- Participated in a one-day National-level workshop on 'Understanding the Power of Excel and Convenience of SPSS' on 10 February, 2018 at MMK College.
- Attended the NSE FIN QUIZ finale organized by NSE on 26 February, 2018.

Rachel George

- Participated in a one-day Annual Planning Session for 2017-18 of National Service Scheme, Mumbai Western Suburb organized by the NSS Cell, University of Mumbai at Patuck Gala College, Santacruz, Mumbai on 20 June, 2017.
- Participated in a one-day workshop on 'Revised S.Y.B.Com. Syllabus in the subjects of Accountancy & Financial Management, Introduction to Management Accounting and Auditing' organized by the Board of Studies in Accountancy, University of Mumbai, at S. I. W. S. College, Wadala, Mumbai on 12 July, 2017.
- Successfully completed the seven-days 130th Orientation Course for the Programme Officers of the National Service Scheme organized by the NSS Empanelled Training Institute, Ahmednagar College, Ahmednagar, from 13–19 November, 2017.
- Participated in a one-day Evaluation Session for 2017-18 of National Service Scheme, Mumbai Western Suburb organized by the NSS Cell, University of Mumbai at Prahladrai Dalmia Lions College of Commerce & Economics, Malad, Mumbai, on 23 March, 2018.
- Participated in a 'Voter's Registration & Awareness Rally' jointly organized by the Brihan Mumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) and the National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell, University of Mumbai, in 2017.

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Dr. Priya Shahi

- Published a research paper “On Common Fixed Points that Belong to the Zero Set of a Certain Function” in a UGC- approved Journal “Journal of Nonlinear Sciences and Applications” on 21 July 2017.
- Attended a workshop on “LaTeX” at Maharshi Dayanand College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Parel, Mumbai on 5 August 2017.
- Attended a one-day workshop on “Recent Amendments in UGC Norms for the API under CAS” at K. J. Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce on 16 September, 2017.
- Participated in the Orientation Programme at the University of Mumbai conducted from 1 - 28 December 2017.
- Attended a national seminar on “Revised Accreditation Framework by NAAC” at Prahladrai Dalmia Lions College of Commerce & Economics on 17 February, 2018.

STAFF NEWS - SELF FINANCED COURSES

B.Sc.-I.T. Department

A. N.S. Sarvani

- Attended an inter-collegiate workshop on Semester-III revised syllabus at S. M. Shetty College, Powai on 21 June 2017.
- Attended an inter-collegiate workshop on Semester-IV revised

syllabus at Thakur College, Kandivili on 19 December 2017.

Rachel Shinde

- Attended an inter-collegiate workshop on Semester-III revised syllabus at S. M. Shetty College, Powai on 21 June 2017.
- Attended an inter-collegiate workshop on Semester-IV revised syllabus at Thakur College, Kandivili on 19 December 2017.

BMS Department

Clementia D'Souza

- Attended S.Y.B.M.S. syllabus revision workshop at S. I. E. S College of Commerce and Economics on 28 June 2017.
- Represented the college at the French Exchange Programme between Institution John Paul II Compiegne, France and St. Andrew's College.

Dr. Sharon Gonsalves Durham

- Participated in a workshop on “Instructional Leadership for Equity and Excellence” conducted by Monash University on 19th September, 2017.
- Academic co-ordinator for Milgard School of Business - Centre for Leadership and Social Responsibility for the First Annual Corporate Social Responsibility Case Competition held on 7th December, 2017.
- Participated and presented a paper on “Changing Paradigms of Employment with Special Reference to Wealth Creation through Strategic Human Resource Management” at the 70th All

India Commerce Conference of the Indian Commerce Association held from 12th to 14th October, 2017 at IIS University, Jaipur.

- Participated in the Film Tourism Conclave organized by Ph.D Chamber of Commerce and Industry on 5th October, 2017.

Jill Lobo

- Attended the S.Y.B.M.S. syllabus revision workshop at S. I. E. S College of Commerce and Economics on 28 June 2017.

BAF Department

Ritesh Sheth

- Appointed as Subject Expert of Interview Board for appointment of PGT-Commerce Teachers at Kendriya Vidyalaya, IIT Campus, Powai on 23 May, 2017.
- Certificate of participation from Satish Pradhan Dnyanasadhna College, Thane for attending a one day FDP on “A Unique Opportunity to Upgrade Your Profile” on 26 May, 2017.
- Certificate of Participation from S. M. Shetty College, Powai for attending a one day Revised Syllabus Workshop of SYBAF (Semester III & IV) on 27 June, 2017.
- Certificate of participation from ICFAI Business School (IBS), Mumbai for attending a one day Faculty Knowledge Sharing Workshop on the theme, “Towards Excellence in Teaching” on 28 July, 2017.

- Presented a paper titled “Impact of India's Currency Demonetization” in a one day national conference at Reena Mehta College, on 23 August, 2017.
- Certificate from University of Mumbai for completing Post Graduation Diploma in Financial Management on 29 September, 2017.
- Certificate of Participation from IIM Ahmedabad for attending a two day workshop on “Conducting and Crafting High Quality Research” at S. K. Somaiya College a 24 and 25 November 2017.
- Presented a paper titled “Conversion of Manual Accounting to Computerized Accounting” at one day interdisciplinary international conference at Reena Mehta College, on 16 December, 2017.
- Certificate from National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) for completing “NISM-V-A: Mutual Fund Distributors Certification Examination” on 7 December, 2017.
- Appointed as a Moderator for Financial Accounting for FY B.Com Semester I & Financial Accounting of FYB.Com. (A&F) Semester I on 26 & 27 December, 2017 at Reena Mehta College of Commerce & Management Studies.
- Certificate of Participation from Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension, University of Mumbai for attending “UDAAN- the Flight of Extension” at Sasmira Institute of Management Studies & Research on 2 February, 2018.

BBI Department

Shirley Pillai

- Co-authored a paper titled “A Study on the Interpersonal Skills of the Manager during Change” in Aditya Institute of Management and Research, journal entitled “SHODHADITYA”, Volume 4 Issue 1. ISSN 2347-8403
- Co-authored a paper titled “A Study on the Challenges faced by the Bank Employees with reference to Demonetization” in Lala Lajpatrai College of Commerce and Economics, Journal entitled “Demonetization- Is it the End or New Beginning”, ISBN: 978-81-932949-1-8.
- Published a paper titled “Study on Acquisition of Talent Resources in Organized Retail Sector, with reference to Hypermarkets and Departmental stores in Mumbai” at Vivekananda Education Society Institute and Management, Journal entitled Journal of Development Research, Volume 10 Issue 3. ISSN NO. 2229-7561, July-September’ 17.
- Published a paper titled “A Study on Talent Management -An Engagement Strategy in the Retail Sector in Mumbai” at Chhatrapati Shahu Institute of Business Education and Research (CSIBER), in the Journal entitled, South Asian Journal of Management Research (SAJMR), ISSN - 0974 -763X, January’18.
- Published and presented a paper titled “A Study on Role of Marketing in Banks with special reference to State Bank of India and Axis Bank” in the International Conference on Modern Trends in Business, Economics, Management and Social Sciences at Lala Lajpat Rai College of Commerce & Economics, Mumbai and Shri Jagdish prasad Jhabarmal Tribrewala University, Cheudela, Rajasthan in their journal entitled AJANTA, Volume VII, Issue -I Part III, ISSN 2277-5730, Impact Factor-5.2. January-March’18.
- Participated in a Research Seminar “How to Publish Articles in Renowned Journals” held at Vivekananda Education Society Institute of Management Studies and Research (VESIM), Chembur, Mumbai, on 16 December’17.
- Presented a paper titled “Study on Talent Management with Reference to Employee Retention” at the 5th Asia Pacific International Conference on Changing Business Practices in Current Environment, at Sydenham Institute of Management Studies, Research & Entrepreneurship Education (SIMSREE), on 4 and 5 January’18.
- Participated in an Expert Talk on “Classroom Observational/ Ethnographic Research” by an International speaker Dr. Cynthia Lewis (Department Chair, Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Minnesota) organized by St. Xavier's Institute of Education and the U.S. Consulate General, Mumbai on 2 February’18.
- Participated in a workshop and contributed insights on “Revised University Syllabus for the TYBBI students” in Thakur College of

Science & Commerce, Kandivali (E), on 3 February' 18.

- Appointed as an External Examiner for the T.Y.B.B.I External Viva-Voce Semester-V at Kandivali Education Society's BK Shroff College of Arts and MH Shroff College of Commerce, Kandivali (W), Mumbai.
- Appointed as a Chairperson and Paper setter for the subject of "Principles and Practices of Banking and Insurance" for S.Y.B.A.F. University of Mumbai.

Patricia Lemos

- Co-authored a paper titled "A Study on the Interpersonal Skills of the Manager during the Change" at Aditya Institute of Management and Research, journal entitled "SHODHADITYA", ISSN 2347-8403, Volume 4 Issue 1.
- Co-authored a paper titled "A Study on the Challenges faced by the Bank Employees with reference to Demonetization" at Lala Lajpatrai College of Commerce and Economics, Journal entitled "Demonetization- Is it the End or New Beginning", ISBN: 978-81-932949-1-8
- Published a paper titled "A Study on Mutual Funds as an Investment Avenue in India" in Chhatrapati Shahu Institute of Business Education and Research (CSIBER), in the Journal entitled, South Asian Journal of Management Research (SAJMR), ISSN -0974 -763X. January'18
- Participated in the 5th Asia Pacific International Conference on

"Changing Business Practices in Current Environment", at Sydenham Institute of Management Studies Research and Entrepreneurship Education (SIMSREE), on 4 and 5 January'18.

M.Com.

Savina Shenoy

- Attended Faculty Development Programme, "Towards Excellence in Teaching" at ICFAI Business School (IBS), Mumbai on 28th July, 2017.
- Attended DLLE 1st Meeting which was organised by University of Mumbai in Patkar College on 18th August, 2017.
- Key Note Speaker in Mittal College for "Innovative Methods in Research" in Mittal College on 15th Nov, 2017.
- Certificate of Participation from IIM Ahmedabad for attending a two day workshop on "Conducting and Crafting High Quality Research" at S. K. Somaiya College on 24th and 25th November 2017.
- Appointed as External Viva referee for M. Com Students of Vivek College on 16th Dec, 2017.
- Appointed as External Viva referee for M. Com Students of Mithibai College on 19th Dec, 2017.
- Moderation done in Chetana's College, Bandra for B.M.S Subjects - F. H. S, Business Planning & Entrepreneurship Management, Recruitment & Selection & OB & HRM on 17th Jan, 2018.
- Orientation Program for Exam Co-ordinators of Colleges involved in the conduct of the 34th SET on 8th January

2018 at Kalina Campus.

- Certificate of Participation from Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension, University of Mumbai for attending “UDAAN- the Flight of Extension” at Sasmira Institute of Management Studies & Research on 2 February, 2018.

Library

Dr. Sujata Rajpurkar (Librarian)

- Published paper in Indian journal of Library and Information Science: an international journal in MAY-August 2017, Vol. 11 (2). On the topic ‘Awareness of information needs and use of library resources and services among student-teachers: a study’. ISSN 0973-9548
- Attended one day workshop on ‘Recent Amendments in UGC Norms for the API under CAS’ at K. J. Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce on 16th Sept. 2017.
- Presented and published paper during the National Conference organized by Knowledge Resource Center, SNDT Women’s University on the theme ‘Transforming Libraries

into Knowledge Resource Centers’ on 12th Jan 2018. The paper titled ‘Research in information seeking behaviour in academic setting: an Indian overview’, published in UGC listed journal ‘Knowledge Librarian: an international peer reviewed journal, with impact factor 0.331, Jan 2018, ISSN 2394-2479.

- Presented paper during the State level Seminar on ‘contribution of women in nation building: creating a momentum for social inclusion’, organized by the lord Universal College of Education, Malad on 10th March 2018.
- Awarded Ph. D. in Library and Information Science by SNDT Women’s University, Mumbai. The topic for the research was ‘Information Seeking Behaviour of B.Ed. students in Education Colleges in Mumbai City’ in March 2018.
- Participated in one day National seminar organized by Smt. Kapila Khandwala College of Education, Santacruz. On the topic ‘Library revolution: Reengineering Libraries for Next - Gen’ on 22nd March 2018.

Department News

The English Literature Association

The annual conference of the department was held on the topic, 'Re-working, Re-imagining, Re-inventing: The Changing Faces of Adaptation Studies' on 17 and 18 November 2017. The two-day national conference had participants from different parts of the country, and their papers provided a thorough and compelling look at the field of adaptations from a wide range of perspectives. Our key-note speaker, the distinguished cultural critic Dr. Pramod K Nayar, presented his keynote address on "Literature (Now) Contains Graphic Language". Invited speakers, Jayant Dasgupta and Dr. Rukmini Pande presented papers on "Embodying the Past: Adaptation as History" and "Filling in the Blanks: Fandom as Adaptation" respectively.

The department held numerous guest lectures, beginning with a lecture by Dr. E. Charlotte Stevens, (PhD, University of Warwick), Lecturer at Birmingham City University, on 'German Expressionism' on 31 August 2017. Tanzanian novelist and Booker Prize short-listed author of *Paradise*, from the University of Kent, Prof. Abdulrazak Gurnah, spoke to our third year students on 'Travel Narratives: Indian Ocean Journeys, Europe's Encounter with the World and the Need to Describe it' on 21 November 2017. Author Nim Gholkar, who had visited us two years ago to talk about her debut novel, *The Diary of an Immigrant Bride*, introduced students to the secrets of success in her talk about her second book 'Unlock the Real You' on 11 January 2018. Ms. Mona Mohan, IL&FS, conducted a guest lecture on 'Corporate

Communication' for FYB. Com students on 16 January 2018.

Second and third year literature students attended a screening of *Hidden Figures* at the American Centre, after which a discussion was conducted about African-American history and its presence in the media on 26 February 2018. The third year literature students participated in a historical walk around the Fort region of Mumbai, titled 'Mumbai in Fact and Fiction'. The walk, conducted on 28 February 2018 by Alisha Sadikot (owner and facilitator of the In Heritage Project), gave students a chance to learn more about the historical and socio-political development of the city and its consequent effects on literature, both local and international. First year literature students also attended a 'Theatre Evening' at St. Andrew's auditorium on 3 February, and watched 'Woman on Trial'.

The theme for this year's Film Week was 'Live-Action and Animation as Creation and Interruption of Realism' (11 - 13 January 2018). The films screened were *Waltz With Bashir* (2008), *Who Framed Roger Rabbit?* (1998), and *The Legend of Tarzan*, (2016).

The much-awaited Literature Week (15 - 20 January 2018) turned out to be a fun-filled affair. It gave students an opportunity to participate in a wide variety of events such as Spell Bee, Taboo, Scrabble, Turncoat, Flash Fiction, Slam Poetry, JAM, and the eagerly awaited Treasure Hunt. The Slam Poetry contest that was initiated this year was particularly heartening for the refreshingly honest, potent, and moving pieces performed by our students.

The year's events were brought to a fitting end with the publication of our departmental newsletter ELAN, which was released in March 2018.

The winners of the events held during the Literature Week are as follows:

Spell Bee

First Place : Tahseen Shaikh (FYJC)
Second Place : Samantha Godfrey (TYBA)

Taboo

First Place : Delford Lobo and
Neil D'souza (FYB.Com)
Second Place : Amanda D'souza FYBA and
Dionne D'souza (FYBA)

Turncoat

First Place : Aaron Lanong (SYBA)
Second Place : Brendan Michael Fernandes
(SYBA)

Scrabble

First Place : Neil D'souza (FYB.Com)
Second Place : Ketaki Waheyal (FYBA)

Flash Fiction

First Place : Mansi Kabra (TYBA)
Second Place : Megan Rodrigues (TYBA)

Slam Poetry

First Place : Brendan Michael Fernandes
(SYBA)
Second Place : Rebecca Miranda (TYBA)

JAM

First Place : Warren Romer (FYBA)
Second Place : Malvika Saji (FYBA)

Treasure Hunt

First Place : Warren Romer (FYBA),
Nobel Fernandes (FYB.Com),
and Desiree Misquitta
(SYBA)

Second Place : Rahul C N (SYBA), Ian
Pereira (YBA), and
Aditiya Dias (SYBA).

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Marie Fernandes
(Principal, HOD), Susan Lobo, Dr. Preeti Oza,
and Samira Nadkarni

Department of Sociology

The department conducted various co-curricular activities to instil in our students critical insight on contemporary social issues. Our focus this year was on sensitizing our students to various career options. In accordance, we invited our department alumni for a series of lectures pertaining to human relations, entrepreneurship, and the service sector industry. Besides, eminent academicians and activists were invited to enlighten students on gender issues, personal laws and legal awareness.

Mr Galvin Pereira, Area Manager, Google conducted a session on 'Human Relations in the Corporate Sector' where he gave students first-hand information on how his background in Sociology enabled him in his career. Ms Jasmine Pereira conducted a workshop on 'Women and Entrepreneurship'. Ms Diana Crasto's session enlightened students on the challenges confronted by women employees in the aviation industry

Urmi, a transgender activist working with Hum Safar, provided a socio-legal insight into the life and plight of transgenders with her field stories and narratives. This session exposed students to the experiential realities and struggles of transgender individuals. She also spoke about the marginalization of transgenders, and the role of government and civil society in addressing such issues.

The department, in collaboration with the Department of Economics and the Department of History, conducted two short term courses this year on 'Research Methodology' and 'Sharpen Your Corporate Image' respectively. Experts were invited to conduct this course. Ms. Erica Dsouza, a certified Life Skills Trainer and Image Consultant, spoke about the importance of attire, accessories, body language, and posture in the corporate world.

The Department also organised an educational trip to St Catherine's home at Andheri which provides shelter to homeless girls, especially unmarried mothers. It gave students an opportunity to interact with orphan and destitute children. Spending a day with the inmates gave students deep insight into their lives, especially the troubles they faced.

The final year students had an exposure trip to Walwande to interact with the Warli tribal community. Don Bosco Samjik Vikas Kendra, an NGO working amongst this community, organised this trip. The students were briefed by the NGO on the problems faced by the community, and the activities they had undertaken to empower them. The students were divided into groups, and each group spent the day with a tribal family over a meal.

A visit to Dharavi was organised for second year students to give them a first-hand experience of life in the slums. Their interaction with the workers enlightened them about slum rehabilitation and the informal sector. First year students visited the Juvenile Correctional Home where they were briefed on the profile of inmates and the correctional measures adopted by the government for their benefit.

The department conducted a seminar for students on the theme 'Performing Arts' in conjunction with the Department of History. The presentations comprised topics like Performance Poetry, Cabaret across Countries and Cultures, Behrupiya, Ghunghroo, Pansori, Chenda and Kalaripayattu.

The main aim of the department is to provide holistic learning to students by blending the syllabus with reality to make learning enriching and complete. This objective was achieved through debates, content analysis, and discussions in the classroom.

Profs-in- charge: Dr. Shirly George and Dr. Vatika Sibal

Andrean Psychology Association

Involvement of youth in governance is a vital factor that facilitates the growth and progress of any nation. This year APT adopted a multi - disciplinary approach, and invited speakers from Praja Foundation to address students on the topic of 'Youth in Governance'. They informed students about the functioning of NGOs and highlighted the role of youth in such endeavors, thereby encouraging students to come forward and be involved in governance.

To provide a holistic perspective on challenges faced by people with special needs, APT organized an educational visit to ADAPT, an institute working with differently-abled individuals. It was felt that it had a greater impact on students as they watched and interacted with the special children.

Finding out how much students really know about their subject cannot be done through

the process of written exams only. To make learning more interesting as well as educational we organized a Quiz Competition.

'Let's Play a Game' was the next event. Students participated in a variety of psychology-based games like Attention Span, Short-term Memory, and strategic mind games. A treasure hunt using psychology-based cues was also organized.

Students enthralled the audience by making presentations on topics like 'Unfriend Procrastination', 'Deaf Psychology', 'Mysteries of Dreams' and 'Current Perspectives on Psychology'.

Motivating students to be spontaneous thinkers has always been our core goal. We instilled in students this skill by conducting a debate competition on 'Indian Education System is Capable of Handling Mental Health Crisis in Students?'. It was indeed insightful to have students' perspectives about this topic and watch them counter argue to make their point.

To inculcate interest in research activities, students were encouraged to present research papers. Ashmi Sheth of FYBA presented a paper on 'Efficacy of Mandala Creation on Reducing Anxiety & Enhancing Mood' at the 25th BPA conference on January 12, 2018. Five students presented research papers on Psychology topics in the Avishkar Research conducted by Mumbai University.

Awareness about one's rights prepares our students for future challenges. Keeping this in mind, an interaction and discussion session by Advocate Archana Gupta, Legal Advisor, Capgemini, was organized on 'Gender Rights & Sexual Harrassment'.

A talk on "Building Life Skills" was presented

by Mr. Milind, founder of Vow For Change, an organization working towards transforming the lives of youth by building their life skills.

Students are ever curious and interested in understanding themselves better. We helped them through this process by conducted some insightful psychological tests which helped them get a deeper understanding about themselves. Some of the tests conducted were Big Five Personality Test, Emotional Intelligence Test, Childhood Trauma Questionnaire, Hamilton's Anxiety Scale, and House-Tree Test.

Students learn best through movies. To make important concepts clear to the students we screened films like *Shutter Island* and *Beautiful Mind*.

Profs-in-charge: Shubda Malhotra, Sharmila Dhote and Dr. Madhu Rai

Department of History

The History Department had a busy year with field trips, career talks, film screenings and student seminars. Through the academic year, several films like *Gandhi*, *The Legend of Bhagat Singh* and *In the Name of God*, and documentaries like the MARG series on Imperial Vijayanagara, Architecture of Delhi and the CSMVS – produced Indian Miniature Painting were screened for TYBA students. Short films on manuscript preservation and heritage tourism also helped students to understand the more unusual aspects of their syllabus. Likewise, short films were screened for the SYBA class on the UNO, and documentaries on Kemal Pasha and the Israeli War of Independence.

This year, the department had three career talks, the School of Excellence on Travel and Tourism', Ms. Bilwa Kulkarni, Chief

Education Officer CSMVS on 'Careers in Museology' and Ms. Candida Remedios on 'Careers in the Archives.' These career talks were open to all students but in the course of a three-year period the department tried to cover about six to eight careers that are popular with History graduates. Through these talks, the department also hopes to offer internships to interested students. At the time of going into print, four students had been placed at the Cipla Archives for two-month internships after their final exams. We also undertook several field trips this academic year. In August the SYBA students visited the Discovery of India permanent exposition at Worli as the exhibition provides an excellent overview of India through the ages. In September, the TYBA students visited the Nehru Science Centre while the FYBA students undertook a Heritage Walk to the Castella d'Aguada Bandra, Bandstand and Mt. Mary Basilica. In January 2018, the FY, SY and TY students took turns to visit the India and the World Exhibition at the CSMVS museum. The highlight of this visit was the guided talk through the museum's Conservation Centre where the conservationists demonstrated how manuscripts, textiles and metal articles are restored to their former glory.

In February, three SYBA students, Ziska Mendes, Shilton D'Mello and Desiree Misquitta got the unique opportunity to attend a lecture by renowned historian, Prof. Romila Thapar on the Allahabad Prashasti. Along with the Sociology Department, the Socio-History Student Seminar in August saw several students presenting well-researched papers on Performing Arts. Now in its 6th year, the Socio-History Student Seminar is an excellent example of inter-departmental

collaboration and provides our undergraduates a great platform to hone their research skills. Similarly, the department also organized the inter-departmental student seminar on Water on 16 September. The Sociology and History Departments also collaborated to arrange a certificate workshop on "Enhancing Your Corporate Image" with Corporate Trainer, Ms. Erica DeSousa. Our hectic co-curricular programme ended with a film screening and lecture entitled 'Hidden Figures' at the American Library to commemorate their African-American History Month.

The History Department is very proud of Mr. Ivan Kamble and Ms. Selista Malikkal who were selected as interns from May to August 2017 as JayaHe ambassadors for GVK at the Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport Mumbai.

Prof-in-charge: Janine Coelho

The French Circle

The French students of FYBA were warmly welcomed in their French class, and each one introduced herself / himself in French.

Activities conducted by the French students during the year included a commemoration of Bastille Day on 14 July. A Power Point presentation was presented by a group of students depicting glimpses on the French Revolution while another group sang a verse on 'La Marseillaise' - the French National Anthem.

In August, Part I of the novel 'Maigret et la Jeune Morte' was shown as a documentary to enable students to understand the text better.

In December we celebrated the French Week. Students participated in the Talent

Competition. Some students sang in French, some in English, some exhibited their talent in art, while some played musical instruments while some even did beat-boxing. At Christmas time, students performed a skit and also sang Christmas carols.

Prof-in-charge: Bona Lobo

Departments of Economics & Business Economics

During this academic year the first year B.A and B.Com. students pit their wits against four quizzes and two crosswords. These activities tested their knowledge and their grasp of basic economic concepts, and also acquainted them with some of the great theorists and thinkers in Economics with quizzes on 'Famous Quotes' and 'Recognise the Economists' from their photographs.

In August 2017, a lecture on Business Studies was conducted by the faculty of the Athena Institute for TYB.Com and TYBA. A lecture on 'How to Invest in the Stock Market' was delivered by in-house faculty Professor Kevin Miranda for TYBA students in September 2017. In September, a week-long certificate course on the 'Basics of Research Methodology' was conducted for SYBA students.

A talk on careers was delivered for the TYB.Com students in January 2018. The same month, an industrial visit to Sula vineyards in Nasik was organised for both TYB.Com and TYBA students. Barclay's conducted a training session for the third-year students on 'How to Ace an Interview' in the same month.

In February 2018, three visits were organised to the Barclay's Training Centre for

our final-year students. The Department also organised a presentation on 'Banking and Financial Services' by ALLIM EduSysPvt.

Every year, a national seminar on a subject of pressing importance is organized. This year the theme was 'The Economics of Pollution'. Eminent theorists and practitioners graced the occasion. Claude Alvares delivered the keynote address on 'The Economics of Pollution and the Pollution of Economics'. Professor Sudhakar Yedla of the IGIDR, Mumbai, spoke on 'Re-visioning the Environment for Social Sustainability'. These special lectures were followed by a film-screening-cum-discussion on Bittu Sehgal's 'Seeking Sanctuary.' The seminar concluded with a presentation on the controversial coastal road project by Hussain Indorewala.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Amelia Correa, Dr. Graciella Tavares and Dr. Kashmira Mody

Department of Accountancy

July 1, 2017: ICAI Foundation Day & GST Day: Students of the Accountancy Association prepared charts encouraging them to join the Chartered Accountancy course. A GST Awareness Drive was conducted by asking students to submit articles about their opinions on GST. Lectures were taken for SYB.Com & TYB.Com students to reflect the changes in indirect taxation and its impact on various stakeholders. 159 students attended the session.

July 10, 2017: A session on 'GST -An Overview of Accounting Aspects' was conducted by CA Deep Desai, Partner, M/s SLM & Co. It included Accounting aspects, and the impact of GST on wholesalers, retailers and consumers. The session gave a practical

approach towards billing after GST, returns to be filed, and problems faced by manufacturers to adopt GST. 69 B.Com students attended the session.

October 10, 2017: A session on 'Career Opportunities in Finance' was conducted for TYB.Com students by Dr. Nirmala Joshi, MET Institute. The session included career prospects in the field of Accountancy, Finance, Banking and Insurance outside India, courses available, examination schedule, and job opportunities. 52 TYB.Com students attended the session.

December 18, 2017: A guest lecture on 'Careers in Stock Markets' and 'Online Stock Market' was conducted by Dhruvi Dharia, Co- founder, Intern Theory. The session covered a Mock Stock session reflecting the importance of Stock Market courses and its job prospects. 152 B.Com students attended the event.

January 11, 2018: The department organized an NSE FIN QUIZ 2017-2018 -AN INCAMPUS QUIZ- Preliminary round. 472 students from B. Com, BMS, BBI and BAF participated in the Quiz. Six students were selected for the final round.

January 18, 2018: Visit to ICAI CORPORATE EXPO 2018. This event helped popularize commerce education in the changing world of business, and provided avenues arising from the same in areas of FIN-TECK, Capital Market and Investment Banking. 40 B.Com students attended the visit and five students assisted as event supporters.

February 3, 2018: FINBRIDGE EXPO at Nehru Centre, Mumbai. Two students from FYB.Com, Mr. Christo Varghese and Mr.

Samuel Sequeira attended the Finbridge Expo, 'The Financial Services & Technology Exhibition and Conferences' is an exclusive exhibition for the financial and capital market sectors. The expo had different financial firms like Latin Mahindra, Elearnmarkets, etc., and was followed by a conference. Students attending the Expo also enrolled for the 'Free Financial Market Expert Certification Course' worth Rs.2,500.

February 7, 2018: Union Budget 2018- Presentation and Analysis by TYB.Com Tax students. 57 TYB.Com tax students attended the 'Union Budget 2018 Presentation & Analysis'. The alumni of St. Andrew's, Ms. Deborah D'souza and Ms. Francesca Toscano, were the judges for the event. The 20 participants were divided into four groups. Each group offered different opinions on the Union Budget. The participants were awarded merit certificates and cash prizes.

February 16 & 17, 2018: Two teams participated in the state-level students' seminar on 'Changing Dimensions in Accounting, Finance and Taxation in the Indian Scenario,' organized by R. J. College, Ghatkopar.

February 26, 2018: Students visited NSE for the All-India Inter-college Fin Quiz 2017-2018 Finale. Three teams represented St. Andrew's College for the Quiz.

Articles related to accounts, finance and tax were regularly displayed on the Accountancy notice board along with comments by students.

Profs-in-charge: Kevin M. Miranda, Jyoti M. Bhatia and Rachel George

OLIO



OLIO Backdrop



Games People Play

AURA



Finance events



Aura Model United Nations



Walk of courage with actress Sushmita Sen
and Acid attack survivors



Aurathon

AICUF



29th AICUF National Council Camp (Chennai)



Group activities at Y.E.S Camp (Jawhar)



Visit to a school in Jawhar as a part of
Y.E.S Camp



Teaching the girls to make paper bags
at Snehasadan



Visit to Snehasadan (Jogeshwari)



The National Women's Commission Meet 2018
at Bhopal

AWMTC



Core Team – Leadership in the Making
The Core and Crux of the event.
Leadership in action.



A Special Performance by the Judges!



The AWMTC Team Blending with the Beat!



Tribute to Chester Bennington – to the man
who didn't just create music, but created anthems



Winners Band – Band of Boys.... and Girls
The performers who left the
crowd rocking in the seats!



Winners' Duet –
Two is better than One

Winner (Instrumental
non-Classical) – Being
Contemporary.



Winner Ensemble – Assemble the Musicians
A blend of harmonies and melodies adding
flavour to the event.

NSS



Blood Donation (Office Staff)



Cleanliness Drive



Tree Plantation



Blood Donation



NSS Team with the Principal



Wall Painting



Disaster Management Session



Rural Camp



AIDS Week Posters



NSS Day Celebration

STUDENTS' COUNCIL



Students' Council Photo Shoot



Teacher's Day Celebration



Customised TY Jersey



Students' Council Members



Traditional Day



Mr & Ms. Loop 2017



Career in Armed Force by (Retd.)
Major General Ian Cardoza



Christmas Celebration with Muskaan NGO

MINDMAZE



Inter-Collegiate Mind Maze Quiz Competition

COUNSELLING UNIT



MAG1- Test Administration on Students

COMMERCE ASSOCIATION

COMFEST 2017:

The Commerce Department hosted its annual fest- Comfest with the tagline 'Weeks of Commercial Challenges'. The fest commenced on 31 August 2017 and ended on 11 September 2017. The core Organising and Marketing Committees supported by many volunteers secured a number of sponsors for their fest this year. The fest engaged a large number of participants who competed fiercely to win the titles.

The following events were conducted as a part of Comfest 2017:

Treasure Hunt:

Perhaps the most successful event of all, the Treasure Hunt was held on 31 August 2017 and drew more than 150 participants. Shawn D' Souza of T.Y.B.Com along with his friends took the "Treasure" home.

Tele Games:

This event was held on 4 September 2017 and attracted nearly 150 participants. The event was packed with exciting games and spot prizes and served as the principal source of fun for Comfest.

Debate Competition:

Held on 6 September 2017, the competition sought to serve as a platform for students to voice their opinions on issues that concern the nation. Students' general awareness as well as their ability to articulate their thoughts was put to the test. Yvonne Napier of the TYBA bagged the first place.

Shark Tank:

With Pravesh Neupane of the TYB.Com as

the winner, Shark Tank provided a platform where business ideas were groomed into business ventures. This event, held on 7 September 2017, was a new addition to Comfest, and received a positive response from the students.

Spanish Workshop:

Comfest also included a workshop on 7 September 2017 by Ms. Blanca Dean of Hispanic Horizon who gave a brief overview of the language and its increasing importance in today's world.

Quiz Competition:

The competition's elimination and final rounds were held on 8 September 2017. The participants had to make it through several rounds. It comprised a mixed bag of challenges such as MCQs, a Buzzer Round, and 'Guess the Personality', all of which were aimed at testing the participants' mental ability and speed. Brian Fernandes and Jeremy D'Souza of the T.Y.B.M.S and S.Y.B.Com respectively won the first place.

Ad Mad Show:

With the aim of compelling students to come up with creative ideas, 'Shoot an Ad' was held on 9 September 2017. Beating tough competition, Pravesh Neupane and his teammates bagged the first prize.

Presentation Competition:

A Presentation Competition was held on 9 September 2017 to let students present the research work carried out by them. Sheena D'cruz, the winner, and the other participants came out with a wide variety of topics ranging from demonetisation, changes in the financial year, GST, and Marketing amongst others.

Talent Hunt:

With Nikhil Jose of the T.Y.B.Com as the winner, 'Talent Hunt' served as a platform for students to showcase their passion for singing, dancing, acting, drama, and much more. The event had its elimination and final rounds on 11 September 2017.

(Comfest - OC-Functional Heads- Mikael D'souza, Michelle D'Souza, Myron Mendonca, Theresa Moonjely, Regan D'mello and Kimberley Rebello) Other activities of the Commerce department were as follows:

Guest Lecture

1st March 2018 -A guest lecture was conducted on "Study Overseas" by ex-student Warren Fernandes from NZEA (New Zealand Education Advisors Limited)

Industrial Visit to Sula Vineyards

The Department conducted an industrial visit to Sula Vineyard on 22 January, 2018. Around 150 students from T.Y.B.Com and some students of T.Y.B.A Economics Major visited the Vineyard. Students witnessed the process of wine-making and the grape-selection process as well as their in-house storage facility. The students were given a briefing regarding wine storage and its formation.

Screening of Videos

Screening of short videos included Steve Jobs' Amazing Marketing Strategy, McDonald's Ads v/s Real Thing, Nike Marketing Strategy, Steve Jobs' 2005 Stanford Commencement Address, Retail Future, Failed Ads, Cubes JWT Office Tour, Creative Advertising pitch, MPEDA Activities-Aquaculture, FIEO Video, HRIS Software, Infosys Campus Recruitment Procedure, Job

of a Sales Manager, Group Interview, Job of an Interior Designer, Psychology and Advertising, KPO careers, BPO's in India, Future of Digital Retail, Virtual windows (ZARA), Virtual Dressing Room and Glass Advertising.

Documentary screenings included "American Genius Steve Jobs v/s Bill Gates" (2015), "Corporation", "Super Size Me", IIFT-Corporate Video and Short story on the rural market.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Charmaine Braganza, Dr. Desiree Gonsalves, and Dr. Harmeet Kaur Bhasin

Mathematics & Statistics Association

The Mathematics and Statistics Association organised two events during the course of the year to generate greater interest and enthusiasm for the two subjects.

Mathematics Online Quiz

An online quiz on Mathematics was conducted on 20 January 2018. The 64 students who took part had to submit their responses on their cell phones. Their scores were calculated by the online system and displayed immediately on the projector. Cash prizes were awarded to winners. Students enjoyed this paperless quiz.

Guest Lecture

On 11 February 2018, there was a guest lecture delivered by Dr. Anjum Ara Ahmad, Rizvi College of Arts, Science & Commerce, on 'Applications of Statistics in Commerce'. She highlighted the importance and the various applications of statistics.

Profs-in-charge: Prashant Tari and Dr. Priya Shahi

Bachelors in Accounts and Finance (BAF) Department

The academic year started with a bang for the department. The TY students performed exceedingly well at the university examination. An Orientation Programme was conducted for FYBAF Students (14 July, 2017) to discuss rules and regulations of college and examinations.

Under the guidance of Prof. Savina Shenoy (6 August, 2017) “Make it to Sell it”, a marketing project was held for TYBAF students. A guest lecture was conducted on “Personality Development towards Smart Goals and Career Management” for TY students (9 August, 2017), and “Grooming Skills”(13 September, 2017) for SY students by Prof. Kohrehm and Katrak (KK) .

A guest lecture on “Effective Resume Building” by Prof. Pratyush Patil was conducted for all our students(20 September, 2017).

A guest lecture on “Teamwork & Leadership Skills in Corporate World” by Mumbai Consulting Company (4 October, 2017) for all BAF students was also conducted. These lectures aimed at making the students aware of industry standards and what was expected from them at interviews.

A guidance lecture on “How to Prepare for University Exam” was conducted by Prof. Ritesh Sheth for TY students (16 October, 2017.) Concepts like how to make a daily study programme, revision, paper pattern, and presentation in the paper were some of the topics discussed during the session.

This year too “Joy of Giving Week” was organized by BAF Department from (15- 21 December, 2017) in association with “Yeh-Lo

Santa”. The students collected stationery, toys, food grains and personal care products to which the whole college contributed generously. It was their way of contributing to the happiness of the under-privileged during the season of spreading joy and sharing.

An Industrial visit to Parle Factory, Khopoli was organised on 12 February 2018. First they were given information about Parle Khopoli. After that they were shown a movie which included the product manufacturing process and Parle products. They were also taken to the plant through the viewing gallery. The visit concluded with a question and answer session.

This year the BAF Department came up with its maiden finance fest called “Excelsior - You Debit the Hustle, We'll Credit the Achievement” which was organized on 15 February, 2018. Being our first ever event, we organised Excelsior as an intra-college event.

A marine bio-diversity walk was organised for FYBAF students (6 March, 2018) by Dr. Omkar Bhatkar. They sighted few creatures, which were rare ones. It was conducted under the guidance of “Marine Life of Mumbai” an organisation that works on creating awareness of the bio diverse species of marine life that live around us.

Profs-in-charge: Abhishek Sood and Ritesh Sheth

Bachelors in Banking and Insurance (BBI) Department

A guest lecture on “Image Consultant- Personality Development” (30 June'17) was conducted by Prof. Rachana Mehta for the S.Y. students.

The department initiated a Rural Connect Programme (July-August'17) in Uttan Village. The students of the T.Y. interacted with the fishermen and their families to give insights and create awareness about the importance of banking and insurance. A guest lecture was conducted on "Career Opportunities after Graduation" (2 August'17) by Endeavor for the S.Y. students. An orientation (August'17) was conducted in class for the F.Y. students.

A workshop on "Importance of Nutrition in Women" (19 August'17) by the staff from SNDT Women's University was organized for all the three years. A guest lecture on "Career Opportunities after Graduation" (14 September'17) was conducted by Endeavor for the T.Y. students. A guest Lecture on "Tips on writing university papers with emphases on SAPM and IBF" (2 November' 17) was conducted by Dr. Shraddha Shukla for the T.Y. students.

A guest lecture on "Importance of Internship" (9 December'17) was conducted by Prof. Rachana Mehta for the S.Y. students. A workshop on "Soft skills" (18 and 19 December'17) was conducted by Mr. Gaurank Satam (Barclays Bank) for the T.Y. students. Students of the T.Y. visited Barclays for a seminar on "Mock Interview" (19 and 20 December'17) conducted by Mr. Manish (Vice-President, Barclays Bank).

A guest lecture on "IQ, EQ and SQ" (29 and 30 January'18) was conducted by Dr. Sukhmeet Kaur for the F.Y. students. A guest lecture on "Career Guidance in Banking" (31 January' 18) was conducted by AIIM EduSys Pvt. Ltd (AIIM) for the T.Y. students. An industrial visit to "Sula Vineyards" (17 February'18) was organized for the T.Y. and S.Y. students. An intra department seminar on "Brain Re-

programming and Goal Setting" (22 and 23 February'18) was conducted by Dr. Sukhmeet Kaur for all the three years.

A workshop was conducted on "Skill Training" (24 February 2018) by INDIA BULLS for the T.Y. students. A workshop (DICE Boot camp) on "Management and Effective Leadership, Design Thinking and Entrepreneurship" (17 March'18) was conducted by the Indian School of Management and Entrepreneurship (ISME) for the T.Y. students. An industrial visit to RBI Museum and SBI Life Insurance Company (21 March'18) was organized for the F.Y. students.

Profs-in-charge: Shirley Pillai, Patricia Lemos and Stella Rodrigues

Bachelor of Mass Media (BMM) Department

The B.M.M Dept. has always been active in both academics as well as co-curricular activities. This year was no different. The students performed admirably at the university examination. They have decided to pursue careers in varied fields instead of limiting themselves to advertising and journalism alone.

The department conducted various activities for the students. This ensured that teaching was more interactive and industry oriented. The year started with an orientation for students from all three years to familiarise both students and parents alike with the changes in the curriculum and the university grading system.

Throughout the year numerous guest lectures were conducted to supplement course learning and to provide insights into the actual world of advertising and

journalism. A guest lecture on 'Copy writing in Contemporary Society' by Ms. Nirali Vaidya, Assistant Creative Director, Muse Advertising, was held for the TY class. It gave the students an understanding of how brands are created by great copy (23 June 2018). A guest lecture on 'Disruption in Media' by Mr. Narinder Kapur, Writer & Curator, Scroll was well received (4 July 2017). A guest lecture on 'Media Bias & Alternative Media' by Mr. Avinay Yadav, Researcher at Centre for Education & Documentation was conducted for the SY BMM students as a part of their Media Studies paper (9 July 2017). The students were made aware of the need for responsible reporting. The students participated in a workshop 'Serendipity - Karma' which touched on themes like synchronicity, yin and yang and the circle of life. This was conducted by Dr. Omkar Bhatkar (26 & 27 July 2017). He also conducted a workshop on 'Visual Poetry'. It aimed at helping students understand poetry not just as sounds and words but where the text is integrated into a visual to add extra meaning (11 August 2017).

The second year students have a paper on 'Understanding Cinema.' 'The Basics of Film Making Theory; Camera & Lights' by Mr. Sanjog Sakpal was a lecture held for the SY students as a part of the paper (25 August 2017). St. Andrew's was selected as one of the venues for the Screening of 'Don Bosco Film Festival for Youth'. The 21 short films were screened for 2 days and were followed by discussions with the award winning actors and directors of the festival (23 & 24 January 2017). A session on 'Contemporary World Cinema' was conducted by Ms. Bhagirathi Raman of MAMI. Some of the students attended the MAMI festival to understand how different cultures approached socially

relevant themes especially displacement and the refugee. 'Diaspora & Cinema' by Kanchan Mahadevan was another session which reiterated this theme (23 February 2017). It supplemented the syllabus taught for the paper on 'Contemporary Issues.' A screening of the Best Short films of 2016 was conducted by Mr. Cyrus Dastoor of 'Shamiana' in collaboration with YES Bank (10 January 2018). 'Higher Studies in Vancouver' was a session conducted by the Vancouver Film School (9 January 2018). The students were presented with opportunities to study in Canada on completion of their undergraduate programme.

Mr. Suhrid Pawar, Creative Group Head (Copy) at Sorento Healthcare Communications, gave a lecture on 'Writing Copy for Social Media' (19 August '16). Social media has taken the world by storm and is the new face of media. This was followed by guest lectures on 'Relevance of Writing in Contemporary Media' by Ms. Shruti Nair of Lowe Lintas (1 September 2017). The NGO, Red Dot Foundation, held a workshop on 'Safe City - Against Sexual Harassment' (22 August '16). A guest lecture was conducted on 'The Indian Constitution and the Present Political Scenario' by Mr. Tanveer Hassan (11 January 2017). 'Preparing a Research Questionnaire' by Mr. K. Shridhar was another session held for SY students as part of the Mass Media Research paper (16 February 2018).

To supplement the paper on Creative Writing the students attended White Rabbit Red Rabbit - Play performance at Prithvi Theatre (16 August '16). They also enjoyed a performance of Rapps Last Tap, at Prithvi Theatre (29 August '16). Students of SY & FY performed in the play 'Fifth Sense' at NCPA

(12 October 2017). They were part of the Metamorphosis Theatre Troupe. (24 September'16). The students attended a guest lecture on the GBV Film Festival organised by the US Consulate (8 September 2017). These were screenings of the prize winning films and the focus was on women's rights and emancipation. Some of the students also performed in a play 'If Darkness is Light to Some Soul' on Mother Teresa - performed for the ABE, Mumbai. Their participation helped them understand the differences in a play reading and an actual performance and helped them see that even those who give themselves to God experience moments of loneliness. Some of them were also part of the play performed at the Kala Ghoda Festival- Hamartia and Books (3 February 2018). The students of SY also scripted, directed and acted in short one act plays that they performed for their seniors and juniors (2-3 October). Somnath Waghmare,, a research scholar at Tata Institute of Social Science and a Dalit and anti-caste activist spoke to the students of FY and explained the making of his documentary film 'Songs of Revolution'.

Journalism is an integral part of BMM. Very often it is assumed that BMM is only about advertising. To demystify journalism numerous activities were conducted. These included attending COMMFEST 2016 at SPICE (16 September'16)..They were also a part of a workshop on Broadcast Journalism - Breaking News and Coverage, where they were given an opportunity to be part of the TV studio experience. They recorded themselves as newscasters to understand voice modulation and coverage. This was conducted in the SPICE studios. Two guest lectures - 'Traditional vs Neo Radio and TV vs. Internet Viewing' were conducted by RJ

Aniket Agrey of Radio Mirchi. Mr. Hitesh Motwani conducted a session on 'The Growing Influence of Digital Media' (21 March 2018).

Apart from these activities some of our students excelled in other spheres and they are worthy of mention:

The students won many awards at the numerous inter collegiate festivals which helped showcase their talent. Two groups entered their films. Ms. Sanika Gadgil was one of the finalists at the Times Fresh Face competition.

Mr. Darshan Suratwala and Ms. Sanika Gadgil were awarded the Spice Award for Excellence for deserving BMM students.

Coordinator: Saudamini Bhagwat

Bachelor of Management Studies (BMS) Department

The B.M.S. department kick-started the academic year 2017-18 with renewed vigor, deeper vision and committed goals. This undergraduate management department of St. Andrew's College focuses on overall development of the students through practical training alongside conceptual grounding.

At the start of the year, the F.Y.B.M.S. students were introduced to the college and the working pattern of the department through an orientation program conducted by the faculty members of the department. In the month of July, the well-known Focolare movement was invited to conduct a workshop, 'Pulse' for all the B.M.S. students. The Focolare movement is a worldwide movement which focuses on dialogue as a method, has a constant commitment to building bridges and relationships of

fraternity among individuals and cultural worlds. The workshop had twin goals; one to inculcate in our students a good value system and to motivate them to initiate change in our society in their own small way; the other was to break the ice among all the three years and thus encourage networking for growth, something that the B.M.S. buddy project focuses on.

The department offers three major management specializations of Marketing, Human Resources, and Finance to its second and third year students. While various skill and value based activities and guest lectures are conducted, we also cut to the chase and have programs for the students to get them industry- ready in their selected area of specialization.

Guest lectures help to bridge the gap between academia and industry. The B.M.S. students had the opportunity of gaining insights from speakers from the industry, who shared their expertise on various subjects.

1. Ms. Dedeepya John, Senior Knowledge Advisor, Society for Human Resource Mgmt., India who spoke on 'Strategic Human Resource Mgmt. in India.'
2. Ms. Nandini Pai, Head - USRM, Employer Branding & HCM Communication, who spoke on 'Employer Branding.'
3. Mr. Mark Menezes, Entrepreneur, Markrich Industries, who spoke on 'Managing Stress at Work.'
4. Ms. Apeksha Poojari, an H.R. expert who spoke on 'Organizational Culture.'
5. Mr. S. S. Nathan, Official consultant on GST who spoke on 'GST and its Impact on Indian Businesses.'

6. Mr. Arvind Sundaresan, VP and FSI head of Asia, Pacific, Japan, SAP who had an industry interaction with the students on SAP.
7. Mrs. Vinita Charles, DGM, Nuvoco Vistas Corp Ltd. who had an industry interaction with the students on career paths in H.R.
8. Mr. Adrian Rosario, responsible for the diversity function, HR Department, IBM India who had an industry interaction with the students on managing diversity from the global perspective.
9. Ms. Jenecia Menezes, I.T. expert, who spoke on 'Human Resource Information System.'
10. Mrs. Jenny Benoy, Ph.D. researcher, University of Limerick shared her expertise on the international pool of human resources.
11. Mr. Purv Shah, working as a Stock Consultant, Guest Analyst for a show on Doordarshan News, Content Developer at BSE Training Institute, trainer to security market regulators of international delegations. He shared knowledge on innovative financial services.
12. CA Kapil Thakore, Financial Analyst at CNBC TV 18, who shared knowledge on Risk Management.

The department also collaborated with well-known institutes like Sir Meghnad Desai Academy of Economics, Kohinoor Business School, Indian Institute of Digital Education and others to expose the students to the wide horizon of career paths in big data, economics, digital marketing, M.B.A. and foreign education. With the aim of training

students for entrance exams, the department collaborated with Career Launchers and I.M.S. to conduct mock entrance tests. The toppers of the same were awarded cash prizes and scholarships.

Simply gaining expertise will not be enough to sustain oneself in the job market: it is a good persona that calls the shots. Keeping this in mind, the department invited Mr. Satish Bendre to conduct a workshop on professional grooming. We also invited guest speakers to train our students in presentation skills, resume building and interview skills.

Experiential learning is an integrated part of management studies. The students are encouraged to take up internships and undertake research projects through which they directly come in contact with companies and many of the students undertake the same. The department also organized field trips for the students. The Finance students were taken for a visit to SEBI and the RBI Monetary Museum. The HR students had an outbound training programme conducted at Lonavala. The department also organized a field trip to Parag Food Pvt. Ltd.'s Gowardhan's Bhagyalaxmi Cow Farm & GO Cheese Plant in Manchar, Pune.

As part of the B.M.S. course, students are expected to undertake various live projects. Some of these for this year included projects on company strategic management analysis, finding the entrepreneur in you, making a 'best out of waste' product, mock interviews for H.R. students, designing an innovative product, visit to rural markets, presentations on H.R. policies and role plays based on case

studies in industrial relations, real time project on creating a market in digital space, planning a business model, case study analysis in sales and distribution of companies, research on retail stores, stock market analysis and the like.

To inculcate in the students the habit of reading, the department encouraged students to read management books and write a review on the same. There was also a screening of the documentary movie 'Not Alone' to brace the students to face the challenge of depression, a rampant problem among the youth of today.

The T.Y.B.M.S. marketing students enrolled for the online Google Certificate Course 'The Online Marketing Fundamentals' and excelled in the same.

In response to the changing requirements of industry, the B.M.S. department in collaboration with FinStat Analytics Ltd. instituted a short term certificate course on Big Data analysis. The first module 'Basic and Advanced Excel' began in the second half of the academic year 2017-18.

Event Management, a branch of management studies, was taught to students with complete hands-on experience via AURA 2017-18, our annual department event. Aura is an inter-collegiate management fest, spread over 6 days, with 10 B.M.S. elective based events (Marketing/HR/Finance), 3 workshops, 3 exhibitions, several leadership games, indoor and outdoor sports events, 4 events with a social cause, 3 cultural events and 1 Model United Nations' conference.

It is a fest which provides all students with a platform to present and showcase their managerial and analytical skills as well as

discover their creative and artistic self. The AURA fest, themed 'Embrace the Manager in You' not only aims at making management concepts a joy to learn for students of all streams but also focuses on sharpening the management skills of the B.M.S. students organizing the fest.

The event began on a socially enriching note, with Aurathon 2017-18, held on 9 December 2018, which also got media coverage. Aurathon was a peaceful walk from college to Bandstand and back, by students from various colleges across the city to bring to light 7 different problems namely, the Elphinstone stampede tragedy, depression, body shaming, cyber bullying, ragging, blue whale challenge and selfie deaths. The students walked silently with posters in their hands that conveyed strong messages on the above issues.

The main days of the event were 11, 12 and 13 December 2018. On these three days multiple events were held at various venues simultaneously. The organizers thus learnt the importance of proper planning, scheduling, time management, direction, and coordination, amongst other management principles. At the end of each day there was a SWOT Analysis held for every department and then conveyed to the entire team.

Each day presented the participants with exciting and brain-racking events based on HR, Marketing and Finance portraying, the otherwise, theoretical elective subjects in a different light. These included 'F.I.T. wars' (marketing event) which was based on social media marketing (F.I.T. connoting Facebook, Instagram and Twitter). 'Prison break' (marketing event) had games based on real world competition for market space and

marketing and management concepts. 'What's in the box?' (marketing event) where participants had to make and sell an unsaleable product, where their marketing skills were tested and 'Ad mad' (marketing event) based on advertising.

Finance events included 'Aura's Stock Exchange', which had a mock electronic stock trading session, 'Baazigar', where one had to make the right financial investment choices to be the winner and 'FinHunt', a financial treasure hunt testing financial literacy. In the HR elective we had 'Magnetise', games based on employee engagement, 'HR combat' covering real case discussions and solutions on industrial relations and 'Drain Your Brain' covering H.R. concepts of payroll, compensation, H. R. processes and motivation.

As the saying goes, 'Learn the lessons from team sports to create a champion organization'. To teach management lessons in a different way, team AURA also organised team sports tournaments on the turf and organised internal gaming tournaments in the gaming room and on the college grounds. External gaming events included Foot Tennis, Football and Hockey. Internal gaming events included PS4, Life size Ludo, Minute to Win It games, Human Snakes and Ladders, Carom and Table Tennis tournaments and Tug of War.

The team also organized workshops on Self-defense ('Judo') for Girls and Boys, 'Laughter Recipe with the Chef' where students were taught how to live a stressful life joyfully and a workshop on 'Blogging as a marketing tool', conducted by the renowned Filter Copy- Blogging agency. Students were given an opportunity to display their artistic side at the Sand Art and 'Do-it-yourself'

exhibitions. 'eClickZine' was Aura's photography event with a management twist where students had to click pictures of day to day life's activities and portray the management concepts in it.

Human resources sees festivals as opportunities to engage employees in a proactive and incremental way. In this complex world where work has become too mechanical, the celebrations come as a stress-buster. Employees believe that this helps in easy accessibility of their senior managers, induction for newbies thus encouraging a sustainable and positive work culture in the organisation. That's why organisations today stress on celebrating cultural festivals and socializing, it being an integral part of management. Keeping this in mind, Aura organized a few cultural events at the end of each day. We had a dance event 'Fuse', a blend of Indian and Western dance, and a personality event with a twist, 'Split Personality'.

We also organized 'Mr. And Ms. Aura', a fashion show where one had to walk the ramp without make-up, to drive home the point that it's the aura about you that makes you beautiful and not just your looks. In keeping with this theme, Aura invited a group of acid-attack survivors to walk the ramp. We had many celebrity judges across the three day cultural events. To name a few, Ms. Perizad Zorabian, Ms. Shruti Sinha, Mr. Saahil Raj and Mr. Mayuresh Wadkar. The most special day was when Ms. Sushmita Sen, Ms. Khushboo Mendonca, Ms. Vrushali Chavan and Ms. Sheena Bajaj joined in the ramp walk with the courageous acid-attack survivors, which boosted their morale tremendously! We called it 'The Walk of Courage'. One more event based on a social

cause was 'Nukkad Natak', a mode of advertising in rural areas. Here the groups had to present street plays on social issues. A business has a certain responsibility to give back to society. One more event as part of CSR activities of Aura was 'Wall of Kindness'. This was a donation drive to collect stationery and other useful items for poor children. The CSR team of Aura visited a tribal village in Asangaon on 28 January 2018 to distribute the items received from this collection.

Aura MUN was held on 10 and 11 February 2018. As a pre-event, on 2 February 2018, Aura invited guest speakers to orient the students of our college about how a Model United Nations conference functions. Aura MUN aims to be an authentic simulation of the United Nations with committees like Security Council, UNESCO, a Secretariat headed by the Secretary General, a Press Corp and of course the delegates. For the duration of a Model United Nations conference, every participant or 'delegate' represents a member state of the United Nations in one of the committees of the UN system. At the maiden edition of Aura MUN, there were committees dealing with issues such as health, politics, disarmament and the environment. In their individual committees, the delegates engaged in debates on a wide range of topics, relating to issues as diverse as international peace and security, economic cooperation and development, human rights and the protection of the environment. The ultimate objective of every delegate was to lobby support for, debate and ultimately have passed a resolution on one of the areas within their committee.

Four of our students participated in the

Corporate Social Responsibility Case Competition organized by the Indian Centre for CSR in association with Milgard School of Business, University of Washington.

Apart from brilliant results academically, as a department, we also take pride in our students' laurels in sports and extra-curricular activities. To make a special mention, Mr. Scott Moraes (T.Y.B.M.S.) was awarded the outstanding sportsman, Ms. Laura Demello (T.Y.B.M.S.) was awarded the outstanding musician and Ms. Alisha D'Souza (T.Y.B.M.S.) was awarded the Best Outstanding student.

Profs-in-charge: Melanie Andrade, Clementia D'souza, Dr. Sharon G. Durham and Jill Lobo

Bachelor of Science (I.T.) Department

Here is a brief summary of the activities we conducted in this academic year:

To begin with, all the three classes of B.Sc.-I.T. attended a library orientation session about e-resources learning and usage on 23rd July 2017 conducted by our college Librarian. This year our guest lectures were on 'Simulation Cases & Group Projects' by IBS(31 July 2017), 'Career Development' by Endeavor (13 September '17) and 'Cloud Computing- Azure Technology' by LeADInfotech(11 December '17)

Knowledge of basic HTML is a strong support for learners of Web Programming. Hence we organized a two-day bridge course for F.Y. students who are falling short of the same. This was done on 6- 7 December 2017 by our resource person Ms. Jenecia Menezes.

Coding skills are crucial for I. T. students, and peer-to-peer sharing of these skills do

wonders in enhancing those skills. Our S.Y. students took a lead in this arena and took a session for F.Y. students in providing guidance in debugging codes. We continued our efforts in this arena through activities like "Find-it and Fix it", a coding/debugging competition organized by our alumni Mr. Nathan Dpenha (24 February 2018).

We had two specially focused practical demonstration sessions this year, one on Database Connectivity with ASP. NET for T.Y. students, which helped them in their final projects with Ms. Jenecia Menezes as the resource person (7 and 8 February '18), and the other on R-Programming by our Alumni Mr. Nathan Dpenha (24 February '18 and 1 March '18).

During their final year, students attend various recruitment drives to strengthen their interview abilities. With this in mind we organized a session by Mr. Prasan Kamat, CL educate Ltd on aptitude tests. The analysis was shared with the students (17 January '18).

Profs-in-charge: A. N. S. Sarvani, Neeraj Shukla and Rachel Shinde

B.Sc. (Hospitality) Department

This year, the Department of Hospitality Studies saw some remarkable changes, both in academics as well as extra-curricular activities. An orientation in the college restaurant was conducted by the Hospitality team for F.Y. students and their parents (28 July 2017). This orientation helped the students and parents to get off to the best possible start. It also provided a platform for parents to clarify any doubts they had regarding the field they had chosen for their child, and helped students get more detailed information about their course.

Guest speakers have become an important part of the educational experience for students. They expose students to real-world life experiences from the position of someone who has been there. Students get to see the insight and perspective of the guest speaker's particular field of expertise. Therefore a series of guest lectures, workshops and guest demonstrations/practical's were planned and arranged for the special benefit of our students. Renowned Pastry Chef Sachin Dobti from Celebrity Cruise Lines conducted a practical session for our T.Y. students on "Basic chocolate making and cake with chocolate garnish"(15 and 17 of July 2017). He also gave an elaborate presentation on chocolate molding, tempering, pastry making, plating and garnishing of desserts. Distinguished CDP, Sunny Seroo from Ritz Carlton, U.S.A gave a 'Sous vide cooking' lecture to our T.Y. students denoting a method of preserving food by partial cooking followed by vacuum-sealing and chilling(14 of August 2017). Chef Sunny Seroo also conducted a practical session for our T.Y. students on 'Sushi and Japanese cooking', explaining and sharing his profound knowledge on Japanese cuisine(24 and 26 of August 2017).

A Nutrition and health assessment was conducted by Ms. Anuradha Mitra for all the girls of our department (3 August 2017). This helped the girls know their BMI, ideal body weight and body composition. The F.Y. students had their first ever guest lecture with Chef Feroz Khan (10 August 2017) during which a fruits and vegetables carving session was conducted to enhance their knowledge on how to carve fruits and vegetables with different techniques and equipment. The Cocktail and Mocktail

workshop organized for S.Y.B.Sc. (HS) by 'Cocktails & Dreams' enlightened students on the different bar techniques and the latest trends followed in the bar industry. On 9 September 2017, an industrial visit was planned and organized for the S.Y. students where they visited the Hotel Renaissance laundry in order to enhance their knowledge about laundry operations, laundry agents, equipment and the Spotting Unit.

The second half of the academic year began with more thrill and excitement. Ms. Sanchita Roy- an executive from Nestle Food Company, explained to all our students the nutritional value of Nestle products and how to use their products for cooking in different ways. Our very own distinguished chefs and professors organized and conducted an English breakfast practical session to educate the T.Y. students regarding authentic English dishes and how to serve the same in an American style (8 January 2018). Soon came the time for the long awaited annual event of the year for all the Hospitality students- the 'Theme Dinner' which is the hallmark of our Department. This year's Theme Dinner was celebrated on 20 January 2018. The name of the event was 'Rutucharya-Experience India on a Plate.' This event was a sit-down dinner function catering to almost 150 guests. This year's theme dinner saw some remarkable changes. The whole Hospitality Studies family came together as one and with zeal, passion and perseverance put up a fantastic event which was a great success. Right from food to service and décor to entertainment, everything was just perfect. The Department also organized a workshop for all our students on 'Personality Development and Grooming'. This workshop was conducted by none other than the well-

known model, Ms. Anna Bredemeyer who is also known as India's original Super Model. Ms. Bredemeyer emphasized on competence, etiquette, and personal presentation to enhance self-esteem and self-confidence. A bakery competition was organized by Blue Bird Foods Pvt. Ltd to provide a platform for students to portray their skills and knowledge, to invoke the sportsmanship spirit, and bring out the best in them (12 January 2018). On 17 February 2017, T.Y. and S.Y. students went on a trip to Sula Vineyards in Nasik to enhance their knowledge about the grape harvesting process. The main highlight of this trip was tasting different types of wines with accompaniments. The following month another field trip was planned for our T.Y. students. They visited Pride of Cows farm to understand the process of cow milking followed by a visit to the Go Cheese plant to strengthen their knowledge on the processing of cheese (10 March 2018).

At the end of March came the time for the felicitation ceremony for our T.Y. students. The farewell was organized by the students and professors in the Hospitality restaurant where professors and the students of first year and second year bid farewell to the outgoing students of T.Y. with great enthusiasm! It was a great day, filled with nostalgia, bittersweet feelings, fun and excitement! Finally, our tenth batch bore fruits worthy of praise by graduating with flying colours. In this way, one more academic year came to an end but not our journey as we prepare ourselves to welcome the next batch, since every end suggests a fresh beginning!

Profs-in-charge: Savita Giri, Chef Vidyadhar, Chef Pius and Prof. Vijay Hanchate

M.Com Department

The department organized a Seminar on "Mountaineering" - "Don't Die Until U'R Dead" (17 July, 2018) by Mr. Kuntal Joisher. The speaker is vegan and he motivated all students by sharing his experiences on mountaineering and by discussing with them the challenges faced by him during his journey of climbing Mt. Everest. We also organized a workshop on Karma "Serendipity" (25 & 27 July, 2018) by Dr. Omkar Bhatkar. The workshop focused on themes like synchronicity, Yin & Yang, past life therapy and karma.

Outdoor training on Leadership & Corporate Work Culture was organized for M.Com - Part II students on 5th August, 17 by Metamorphia Team, wherein Kris and his team instilled leadership and team-spirit skills in them. A Calligraphy Workshop was organized (31 January, 2018). The session was conducted by renowned Calligraphist - Mr. Sanjay Hankare who also authored books on Calligraphy. M.Com students also attended Itch Summit (2 & 3 February 2018) at Sydenham College to take inputs on entrepreneurship, start-ups and other challenges in entrepreneurship.

A dental seminar was organized on 6th Feb, 2018 by Dr. Pavana (Renowned endodontic), who gave insights on Oral Care and whom one should consult when one has dental issues. They also organized a seminar on Skin Care (8 Feb, 2018) by Dr. Shreyas Kamath (Renowned Dermatologist), wherein some tips were given to students on skin care and their queries and doubts were cleared.

Students of M.Com took free sessions on Advanced Power Point Presentations to BAF, BMM, BMS and M.Com students and taught

them shortcuts and other techniques of animation used in PPT (in Jan and Feb). A talk was conducted by Advocate Florentina D'souza on 'When the king of good times was given the gift of the golden touch' (15 February, 2018). A training session on Brain-reprogramming was organized (19 Feb, 2018) by Dr. Sukhmeet Kaur, where students were taught skills like brain mapping, memory power and recollection skills.

A seminar on Inter-Generational Bonding was conducted, wherein the speakers were the Ex-Mayor, Nirmala Samant & Adv. Prakash Borgaonkar (5 March 2018). They spoke about everyday issues and problems associated with communication amongst generations. The talk sensitized students about geriatric issues. Marine Bio-diversity Walk was organized for M.Com students by Dr. Omkar Bhatkar (6 March, 2018). Students sighted some rare creatures. It was conducted under the guidance of Pradip Patade from "Marine Life of Mumbai" an organization that works on creating awareness also the bio-diverse species of marine life that live around us.

Tungareshwar Trek was organized for all students, to make them aware of the diverse flora and fauna of the Western Ghats (29 March, 2018). The trek was a way to bring the students closer to nature and make them environmental citizens. An industrial visit was organized for M.Com-I & II students to Sula Vineyards & Samsonite Company (7 April, 2018).

Coordinator: Savina Shenoy

Library Report

Library Orientation

A library orientation programme was carried out at the beginning of the academic year

for all the first year students. They were oriented in small groups to the use of the library collection and the library catalogue. A library tour was also conducted to make students aware about the different sections of the library.

Author talk

Eminent authors from varied disciplines were invited to talk about the books they had authored. Dr. Nina Sabnani from IIT Mumbai discussed stories about the partition through animated films, and Mr. Savio Lobo, an architect from Bandra, introduced students to his book 'Bandra by Hand'.

Event Celebrations

Throughout the year, different days were observed by the library, such as Reading Inspiration Day (on the Birth Anniversary of Dr. A.P.J. Kalam), National Education Day, Marathi Bhasha Divas, International Women's Day Etc. Relevant books were displayed during the celebrations of these days to sensitise students to issues related to the respective events.

The National Digital Library and the N-List programme

All third year students of all the streams were oriented on how to use the National Digital Library. They were introduced to the home page, the process of registration, and learning resources offered by NDL. Students were also made aware of the N-list programme. User ID and passwords for using the N-list programme was created by the library.

Other Activities

The following activities were conducted during the course of the year:

- A theme-based book display was

organized during the year in order to motivate students to read.

- The institutional repository was updated with faculty publications.
- Web pages were created for our in-house publications such as the Andrean Research Journal, Ruminations: The Andrean Journal of Literature, and Ethics and Society: An International Journal of Religions and Cultures for Peace and Harmony of Cardinal Paul Poupard Foundation Chair of Inter-religious & Inter-cultural Dialogue.

Subscription to the N-list- the project of INFLIBNET, and memberships of the British

Council Library and the American Library were continued this academic year.

Library Collection

1389 books were added to the library collection this year, taking the total collection to 42412. Besides this, the library subscribes to 28 journals and 26 magazines related different subjects.

Book Bank Scheme

A Book-bank service is provided to first, second and third-year B.com. students. These books can be retained throughout the entire semester.

Librarian: Dr. Sujata Rajpurkar

Co-curricular Activities (Degree College)

The UNESCO and Cardinal Paul Poupard Foundation Chair for Inter-Religious and Inter-Cultural Dialogue 2017-2018

4 July'17 - The activities were initiated for the year 2017-2018 with an Iftari celebration, which is a grand feast marked by the end of the Ramadan season. On this day, students went on an excursion to Muhammad Ali Road.

7 July'17 - An Orientation session was conducted for the first year students to familiarize them with the activities of the Chair.

September '17 - Various outings were also organized with enthusiasm. On the occasion of the feast of the Nativity of Mother Mary, students of all faiths visited Mount Mary Basilica to honor the Mother of God in prayerful adoration. Students also visited Ganapati pandals and Durga Devi pandals on the occasion of the Navratri festival.

10 September'17 - A Quiz competition was held with multiple-choice-type questions based on religion and culture. The competition was stiff with all teams vying for the first position.

15 September '17 - There was a screening of the film *Ghazi Attack*. The film was critically analyzed and issues like Nationalism were discussed. *Tiger Zinda Hai* was also screened.

21 September '17 - The department set up *Strings of Peace* - to promote peace and harmony among different religions and cultures. The students wore peace bracelets

and tied colourful strings on the wrists of all those who came to college. The bracelets signified the need for all of humanity to treat each other as friends, brothers and sisters.

8 January'17 - *Turn Coat* Competition was held on the topic "The Indian Education System Fosters Religious Harmony". The competition was a precursor to the International symposium *The Role of Education to Foster Religious Harmony*. Students from all over India sent in their papers. These were assessed for quality and the ability of the participant to make a convincing argument with regards to their stand on the subject. The winners of the grand prize were Ms. Prajakta Vibhute of Mithibai College, Ms. Arundhati Chakraborty of St. Stephens College, Delhi, and Md. Saqlain Jameel, of MES Degree College, Bengaluru. All these myriad competitions helped in understanding the core and evolution of religions.

9 January'18 - An elocution competition was arranged on the subject, "India needs to be more Casteless than Cashless". The participants debated on the current situation in India as well as the world.

10 January '18 - The department held a guest lecture by Dr. Sr. Teresa Joseph on the theme, 'The Role of Education to Foster Religious Harmony'. Later this was taken up as the topic for the Cardinal Paul Poupard Conference.

12 January' 18 - A presentation competition was organized on the *Temples of India* for the students.

13 January '18 - A field visit to Shree NaryaniDham temple & Aga Khan Palace was organized.

Prof. Sharmila Dhote looks after the activities of the UNESCO and Cardinal Paul Poupard Chairs

30 January '18 - The International Conference - 'The Role of Education to Foster Religious Harmony' provided a platform for discussing modern day issues with religious significance. The Chief Guest for the conference was H.E. Cardinal Oswald Gracias and he delivered the Presidential address. Mr. Harsh Mander, an activist, who works with survivors of mass violence and hunger, as well as homeless persons and street children was the Keynote Speaker at the Conference. He is also the Director of the Centre for Equity Studies.

Marco Cardelli, National Youth Coordinator from the Focolare Movement raised issues that the young faced. Mr. Jehangir Patel, Editor of the magazine Parsiana-touched on the matter of 'Resolving Religious Differences in Communities'. Dr. Fr. Frazer Mascarenhas, the Ex-Principal of St. Xavier's College discussed Education from a Principal's Perspective. Sameera Khan, Journalist and Researcher focused on 'What are Our Children Learning -The Role of Parents'. Carol Andrade, Journalist and Director of SPICE deliberated on the 'Success and Failure of Inspiring Leaders to overcome Religious Conflict'

This was followed by a Panel discussion moderated by Mr. Dilip D'Souza. Our student, Mikael D'Souza too was part of the discussion. The vote of thanks was given by Fr. Magi Murzello. The yearly journal was also released during the session.

Diploma Course

A diploma course on Religion, Society, Peace and Dialogue was initiated in 2014, approved by the University of Mumbai. This course has enabled students to gain insight into the pluralism of India's religious diversity along with the teachings, customs, ethnicities, rituals and feasts and recent developments across several religions athwart the globe. It inculcates different values in students, the means to tolerate other religions, update their knowledge by working toward nation building and playing a transformational role to be ambassadors of peace in the national integration of the country.

There are two core papers and one elective paper.

1. Core Papers:

- Religion and Society: Study of Indian Religions - Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism and Sikhism-
- Religion and Society: Study of Indian Religions - Islam, Judaism, Zoroastrianism and Christianity.

2. Electives

- The 'Golden Rule' as Basis for Inter-Religious and Inter-Cultural Dialogue.

In 2014-15 thirty students registered for the course. In 2015-16 twenty-three students registered for the course and in 2016-17nineteen students registered for the course.

For the year 2017-18 fifteen students have enrolled for the diploma course. They completed their praxis hours by participating in different activities that are organized by the Cardinal Poupard Paul Chair. Alongside the core papers, the

students were given an orientation on 'how to do research' as research skills are emphasized as an essential part of the programme. These skills include fundamental methodologies such as a discussion of ethics, data gathering and management, and critical approaches to the assessment of this data. This ensures that the students can provide a rounded approach in terms of their approach to the study as well as their analysis.

Dr. Vatika Sibal is in-charge of the Diploma course.

Previously, five students in the academic year 2015-2017 completed the course by appearing for the papers and submitting their dissertations.

In order to make teaching and learning an interesting experience, students are part of a praxis programme. It helps to link knowledge with everyday life and broaden their horizon with visits to religious places, and be involved in debates and discussion. At the end of the course the students will have to present a dissertation of around 4000 words.

Post Graduate Diploma Course

"Water for Sustainable Development" was the theme selected for the post-graduate diploma course. This course is run in collaboration with St. Andrew's College, Institute of Indian Culture and Nirmala Niketan Institute. The course is conducted at Nirmala Niketan. Dr. Fr. S. M. Michael, Professor, Institute of Indian Culture delivered a few lectures along with other faculty members and the funds for running the course is provided by St. Andrew's College, through the Cardinal Paul Poupard Foundation.

The inauguration of UNESCO course took place on 9 August 2017. Cardinal Oswald Gracias was the Chief Guest at the Inauguration programme. The welcome address was given by Dr. Gracy Fernandes Programme Convener and Vice President, Nirmala Niketan Institute. Dr. Marie Fernandes, Principal, St. Andrews College, explained the genesis of the Cardinal Paul Poupard and UNESCO Chair and the various Conferences and activities that are organized under its banner. The introduction to the programme was given by Dr. Fr. S.M. Michael. His Eminence, Cardinal Oswald Gracias delivered the Inaugural Address and the Vote of Thanks was done by Dr. Lidwin Dias, Principal, College of Social Work, Nirmala Niketan.

Dr. Ronald Yesudhas was the main teacher for the paper titled "Sustainable Development and Alternative Energy". Classes for this paper were held from 13 October to 15 December 2017. The topics covered in this paper included Environment, Conservation Science, Environmental Law and Policy, Theories on Development, Concepts in Ecological Economics, Climate Change, Renewable Energy and Sustainable Future. Resource persons invited for this paper were Sabeena Gonsalves, Nikhil Chavan, Maryam Agarbattiwala, and Albin Thomas. Students submitted their assignment on 28 February 2018. Assessment of the completed assignments of students was done by Ronald Yesudhas. Mark sheet of this paper was submitted to Mr. Elvis Thomas, Coordinator of the Course.

Report of Water, Governance and Development was handled by Ms Roshni Louis Alphanso an Assistant Professor at College of Social work, the following sub

topics were dealt with in detail.

1. Introduction to Water
2. Gender and Water
3. Environmental Hazards and Water
4. Laws and Schemes related to Water
5. Role of NGOs in issue of water
6. Water and urban crisis
7. Agriculture, water resource and suicides
8. Water management practice

Seventeen students registered for the session. The objective of the facilitator was to orient the students to the reality about water, Governance and Development and to understand the magnitude of the issue. It also encouraged them to think of alternatives to remedy the situation. The facilitator tried to bring in the rural as well as the urban perspective.

The group seemed to be very enthusiastic and interested in the subject. Various interactive methods were used to create better learning situations than classic lectures. The session was a mixture of different methods such as case study discussion, short films, power point presentations and lecture method. An attempt was also made to analyze some acts and regulations of the government pertaining to water and ecology.

The first module on 'Inter Religious Faith Dialogue on Water', will be taken by Dr. Fr. S. M. Michael in the month of August 2018 and the final module which will be the Project work, will be done by Dr. Lidwin Dias in the month of September, 2018.

The projects will be in the form of a scholarly paper on a topic selected by the students. It will consist of a minimum of 30 pages.

After the end of the first batch the College would like to continue the Course, this could later be developed into a self-financing course with accreditation by the University of Mumbai.

The Course Coordinator, Prof. Elvis Thomas, Associate Professor, College of Social Work, Nirmala Niketan, is in charge of the course.

Jhankaar 2017

Jhankaar 2017, the intercollegiate dance festival of St. Andrew's College was celebrated on 10 August 2017 under the guidance of Dr. Preeti Oza and Ms. Stella Rodrigues with Ishan Rajput as the Chairperson. The festival bore witness to mesmerizing dances and spellbinding talent. The festival witnessed several participating colleges, celebrity judges, awe-inspiring performances, generous sponsors and great team efforts. 38 colleges from across Mumbai and Thane participated in the auditions and finally 10 colleges were selected by the judges to perform at the Finale event. Jhankaar 2017 managed to raise the standard of St. Andrew's College even higher this year.

Prof-in-charge: Dr. Preeti Oza, Ms. Stella Rodrigues

Student-in-charge: Ishan Rajput

Life Skills Programme for First Year Students (Degree and Self-Financed)

We began the year's events with a session on 'Emotional Intelligence' which was conducted by Ms. Rohini D'Souza in July 2017 for F.Y.B.A/F.Y.B.Com students and for first year students of the Self-

financed courses in December 2017.

Deacon Ivan Fernandes conducted the next two sessions, one on 'Making Choices' and the second on a topic that was believed to be crucial for students to be aware of, namely, 'Resisting Pornography'. The first session was held for first year students of the Self-financed courses in August 2017, and for F.Y.B.A/F.Y.B.Com students in September 2017. The second session was held in January 2018 for first year students of the Self-financed courses, and for FYBA/FYB.COM students in February 2018. The last two sessions were particularly well-received by our students, who suggested that sessions on these topical issues must be held for subsequent batches so that they too can avail of the opportunity to learn more about them, especially about a topic such as pornography, which is often a taboo subject in society.

Prof-in-charge: Susan Lobo, Patricia Pereira

Avishkar Student Research

The Avishkar Research Competition, an initiative of Mumbai University, was held at N. G. Acharaya & D. K. Marathe College of Arts, Commerce, Science & Professional Courses on 13 December, 2017. Eleven students from St. Andrew's College participated and presented their research work in the main round of the competition on various topics such as Efficacy of Mandala Creation on Anxiety, Mood & Self-Healing, Women & Water: The Impact of Water on the Lives of Women in India, Study of Sleep Pattern Among College Students, Fantasy & Science Fiction: An Analysis of Literary Ghettoization, Graphology: A Tool for Hiring & Promotions, Terrorism's Impact on Business, You Are Never Too Old to Dream

and A Study on the Impact of Ambush Marketing on Consumer Buying Behaviour Pertaining to Services.

An elimination round was held for Humanities students in the month of December to select six best teams. Three students participated in the Commerce category. To create awareness among students and inculcate interest in research activities an Orientation session was held followed by poster display on various research topics.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Madhu Rai, Dr. Harmeet Kaur and Dr. Sharon G. Durham

Andrean Debate Circle

The college debate circle organized a workshop on 'How to Debate' and 'How to Elocute' which was conducted by Prof. Samira Nadkarni on 23 August 2017. The students were made aware that elocution and debate are not only verbal or performance skills within the present day, but come historically from within the Greek tradition as political public speaking. Therefore, they specifically embody the ideals of reasoned argument and tolerance for divergent points of view within a political forum. Debate is, above all, a way for those who hold opposing views to discuss controversial issues without descending to insult, emotional appeals, or personal bias. A key trademark of debate is that it rarely ends in agreement, but rather allows for a robust analysis of the question at hand.

On October 3, 2017, an intra-collegiate elocution competition was organized, based on the theme of "The Importance of Secularism." Ayesha Ventakaraman, a well-known editor and journalist judged the event. The concept of secularism plays an

important role in India. Secularism in India is a positive, revolutionary and comprehensive concept which takes within its sweep all the communities in India following several religions. It is not negative in nature, it is not anti-God. Indian secularism recognizes the importance of religion in human life. It does not prescribe the practice of any particular religion. Complete freedom of religion is assured in our constitution. These were points highlighted.

A debate was conducted at the college level on October 4, 2017 on "The Value of Freedom of the Press." Dr. Graciela Tavares and Dr. Amelia Correa judged the event. The debate ranged from the duty of a free press is to raise their voice against wrongs or social ills whereby necessary pre-condition to the fulfillment of democratic ideologies, to the consequent questions regarding the creation of public hysteria and the press' own perhaps less interrogated political agenda or bias due to corporate funding. While the side that argued that the freedom of press and media is the necessary pre-condition to the fulfillment of democratic ideologies won the day, the debate raised important questions of the negotiation of power between the press, the public and the government. These were some of the highlights of the debate.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Vatika Sibal, Jill Lobo and Samira Nadkarni

Social Outreach Programme - 2017-2018

The Social Outreach Programme (SOP) this year completed its 12th year. An Orientation programme for SYBA/BCom students was conducted in the month of June 2017 in the

Conference Room. The SOP was organized through Ms. Deepika Singh who co-ordinated with the various centres. Prof. Kevin M. Miranda and Prof. Janine Coelho co-ordinated with the students and Ms. Deepika Singh.

Students were divided into batches of 15-20 and deputed to various centres chosen by them. Some of the centres from where the students did their outreach programme were Fatima Ashray, Marian Congregation of the Houses of Charity, Shelter Don Bosco, Udisha, Cheshire Home, Sneha Sadan Home for the Aged, Paryavaran Saurakshan Kendra,. Inigo Icaza Arruti Children's Medical Centre, Karuna Hospital, Asha Kiran Community Centre, Navejeet Community Centre and various programmes of social concern organized by Ms. Deepika Singh. The students were asked to do at least 20 hours of service.

The objective of the Social Outreach Programme is to awaken students to have concern for the poor and marginalized, to respect what they have and share their surplus resources with the poor. Through these centres, the students were asked to make themselves aware and empathize with the sufferings of the poor, marginalized and underprivileged sections of the society. This is in keeping with the scripture teachings "Whatsoever you do to the least of my people, you do it unto me" (Mathew 25:40).

Through this SOP students have experience a sense of gratitude for the various blessings they have in their life and have thanked the College for having conducted such a programme for them. Their gratitude is evident from their reports in which some of them said:

- “SOP has developed within me a sense of understanding and not to complain about small things in life”
- “SOP has made me realize my responsibility towards my parents”
- “SOP has helped me to be strong person and not to get upset with small failures in life”
- SOP has helped me reflect upon my actions and develop myself as a person”
- “After completing SOP, I have started helping my mother in the kitchen”
- “I realized the importance of friends in ups and downs of life”

Yes, the teachings of the scriptures have come alive in the students through the outreach programme. We thank Ms. Deepika Singh, the Community Centres and Other Institutions and NGO's who have helped us in conducting the outreach programme for our students. A special thanks to Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes for her whole hearted support, involvement and guidance during the entire year which has helped us to co-ordinate the outreach programme successfully.

The Outreach Programme concluded with a final workshop where in Ms. Deepika Singh interacted with students on various social issues and listened to their experiences they had during the Outreach Programme. At the Annual day function held in January 2018, 4 students were awarded the Social Outreach Scholarships. These scholarships were:

1. Rev. Fr. Nereus Rodrigues Scholarship for two students in the Social Outreach Programme who are deserving Rs 10,000
2. Mrs. Marie Rodrigues Scholarship for one student in the Social Outreach Programme who is good in either Mathematics,

Accounts or Science Rs 5,000

3. Mr. Ivan Rodrigues Scholarship for one student in the Social Outreach Programme who is good in hockey or any other sport Rs 5,000

We thank the donors for the scholarship amounts.

Profs-in-charge: Kevin M. Miranda, Janine Coelho

Value Education (2017-18)

(T. Y. B Com/B. A/BBI/BMM/B.Sc-IT/BMS/BAF/B.Sc(Hosp))

The main aim of value education session is to inculcate good values among the students. The first session was conducted on 22 June 2017 by **Mr. Ernest Fernandes** on “Citizenship”. It was a detailed discussion on democracy, respect, equality, freedom, liberty and tolerance. This topic gave the students an insight to improve their attitudes and make wiser decisions. The second session, also by **Ernest Fernandes** on 22 July 2017 was on “Respect for others”. Topics like honesty, integrity, fairness, patience and truth were addressed. This helped the students to be ethical and emphasized being kind towards others.

The third session was conducted on 20 September 2017 by **Fr. Keith D'souza** on “Making Ethical Choices in daily life”. This was an interactive session for the students as it passed the message that ethical decisions in life never goes out of style. The fourth session was conducted on 22 January 2018 by **Fr. John Cyriac** on “Character building”. This session guided the students to understand the importance of being generous, courageous and co-operative in

their personal as well as professional life. Lastly a session on “Conflict Management” was conducted on 22 March 2018 by **Ms. Marita Nazareth**. This session helped our students in knowing various ways and techniques to resolve conflicts in the workplace and society.

Overall, the value education sessions this year were wholesome and an enlightening experience. Lessons learnt here are going to be treasured by students all through their lives.

Profs-IlIn-Charge: Dr. Graciela Tavares Shirley Pillai

Student-In-Charge: Andrea Fonseca (T.Y.B.B.I)

Theology for students

In the pursuit to deepen the faith of the Catholic students and to help them learn more about their religion, our college conducted Theology sessions for the students across all streams. The Theology class started from 17 January 2018. The speakers were Fr. Elton Namori and Deacon Ivan Fernandes. Fr. Elton began the class by sharing his experience about his journey of becoming a priest. His session included the critical study of the concept of God, the Son and the Holy Spirit, i.e the Trinity of being one and our relationship with it. He also cleared doubts of many students who attended the session, relating to reasons for which many people were moving away from the Catholic religion and Church.

Deacon Ivan began the class by reading a chapter from the Bible about temptations. He gave a brief explanation on the three types of temptations, that

is, Lust of the flesh; Lust of the eyes; and the Pride of life. He encouraged the students to read the Bible and learn the background of the stories, before applying the customs and values to our lives. It was worth spending time on getting to know more about our faith.

Prof-in-charge: Dr. Charmaine Braganza

Student-in-charge: Brendon Pinto

Faith on Campus (FOC)

Since its inception, the vision of Faith on Campus (FOC) has been to get the youth closer to God through way in which the youth connect. As the youth advance in life, gradually the importance of prayer and a personal relationship with God fades away. To bridge this gap and in order to help the youth maintain and continue this relationship, Faith on Campus continues to explore new paths. We are blessed to have students committed to Faith on Campus who help reach out to other students and spread the word of God. From this academic year 2017-18, mass is celebrated every day at 11:30 am in our college chapel and our students sing and prepare the liturgy. Every Friday we have various services planned which are conducted after the daily 11:30 am mass such as “Praise and Worship” on the second Friday, a talk on various important topics on the third Friday and adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament on the fourth Friday.

Besides the regular services conducted by our students, Faith on Campus attended the praise and worship by Rex Band, visited Our Lady of Fatima at Karjat, took part in the prison ministry by visiting Prisons, conducted night vigil services,

participated in the pilgrim walk to Mount Mary Basilica, sang for the inauguration of Mother Mary's grotto in the college campus and screened movies on various saints.

During Christmas time, spreading the message of love the FOC students sang Christmas carols in the college and were also invited to be a part of the Annual Christmas carol singing conducted at the Catholic Gymkhana in Marine Lines. In fact Christmas time this year was very special for the FOC students as the film "A Christmas Party" scripted by Prof. Melanie Andrade was broadcasted on Divine TV on 25 December. The cast and crew of the film were our FOC students.

For the season of Lent, the FOC students ministered at the youth's night vigil at St. Theresa church and a talk on "Plugged into Christ" was given by Prof. Melanie Andrade. FOC continues to grow in love and faith just as the Lord said in Deuteronomy 31:6 "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you, he will never leave you nor for sake you"

Prof-in-charge: Ms. Clementia D'Souza

OLIO

A success story in its 17th year, OLIO is the only intercollegiate English drama festival of its kind in Mumbai. Participating students used the provided theme 'The Games People Play'—to write their own plays, create costumes, and perform to the cheers of the crowd. As in the years before, OLIO proved to be a fantastic platform for young students to feature their skills, whether this was on-

stage as part of the plays and fillers or offstage with event management and set design. Every aspect of the festival and its production built skills and showcased student-led initiative and innovation.

The Organising Committee of OLIO consisted of a group of talented and enthusiastic students guided by their teachers. As part of the event, a digital brochure and poster-designing workshop was conducted by Mr. Saumitra Mathur on July 15, 2017. Five new rotating trophies were donated to OLIO this year by Mrs. Usha Bhende, the wife of late theatre and music personality Mr. Nandu Bhende. Four finalists were selected after the preliminary eliminations held on August 31, 2017 and these performed at the St. Andrew's Auditorium on September 12, 2017. The judges for OLIO this year were eminent theatre personalities Mr. Denzil Smith and Mr. Quasar Padamsee, as well as award-winning film director Ms. Priyanka Tanwar. As added attractions, OLIO offered fun fillers, gift vouchers, goodie bags, as well as exciting spot prizes.

The team from Wilson College bagged numerous prizes this year, including Best play, Best Director, Best Scriptwriter, Best Actor (Male), and Best Actor (Female). Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues College of Engineering (Bandra West) won the runner-up prize for Best Play.

OLIO proved to be a great takeoff point for our students, Adnan Baig (F.Y.B.A) and Jaiditya Bundela (F.Y.B.A), who were recruited by Ms. Tanwar to work with her on a film project at Small Box Films.

Profs-in-charge: Ms. Clementia D'Souza and Ms. Samira Nadkarni

JHANKAAR



Team Jhankaar all set to rock...



One of the judges, Mr.Laxman Kami connecting with the audience....



Success of the finale shines on the faces of Team Jhankaar



Enchanting Retro ...



Profs-in-charge of Jhankaar Dr. Preeti Oza and Prof. Stella Rodrigues with the core team....



Folk Dance in full energy....

COMMERCE DEPARTMENT



Industrial Visit – Sula Vines



Guest- Lecture by ex-student Warren Fernandes



Comfest-Telegames



Comfest-Quiz



Comfest-Shark Tank

PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT



Participants of the Psychology Quiz Competition



Educational Visit to ADAPT Special School



Awareness about Aspects of
Sexual Harassment by
Advocate A. Gupta, Legal Advisor
Capgemini India.

HISTORY DEPARTMENT



Career Talk by Bilwa Kulkarni on
Museum Careers



SYBA Field Trip to Discovery of India



TYBA Field Trip to Nehru Science Center



TYBA History Students at CSMVS
Conservation Centre

SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT



Juvenile Correctional Home- Dongri



St. Catherine's Home –Destitute Home



Harmony foundation Youth consultation
Topic- Empowerment of the Girl Child

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT



Keynote Speaker, Dr. Pramod K. Nayar
(National Conference held on 17-18 November)



Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes
with Staff and Conference participants



Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes with Dr. Nayar
Resource Persons, Faculty and TYBA students



Organizing Team of the Literature Week



AVISHKAR



INTERCOLLEGIATE ACTIVITIES



Winners in various intercollegiate festivals



Winners in various intercollegiate festivals



College Finalists for Bombay Times Fresh Face

FAITH ON CAMPUS



STAFF ADVANCEMENT



Dr. Sushama Powdwal's talk
on 'Scholarly Writing'.



Adv. Kamayani is Workshop on
'Gender and Sexual Harassment'

Mind Maze Intercollegiate Quiz Competition

Mind Maze Intercollegiate Quiz Competition was held on 29 July 2017. Twenty four teams from eighteen colleges participated in the event. Winners of the quiz were the team from Anil Surendra Modi School of Commerce while K. C. College and Raheja College came in second and third, respectively. The Winners were awarded with a rotating trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 5000/-. the Second prize of Rs. 3000/- was given to K. C. College and a consolation prize was given to Raheja College. All participants were given participation certificates.

Before the intercollegiate quiz competition there was intra-collegiate elimination on 2 July 2017. Seventy students from various streams participated, from which eight students qualified for the second elimination round which was held on 28 July 2017. Two teams were selected to represent St. Andrews College for the Inter collegiate round.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Madhu Rai and Ms. Jyoti Bhatia.

AICUF Report 2017-18

'We are born in an unjust society and we are determined not to leave it as we have found it'

AICUF - All India Catholic University Federation is a movement by University students with a vision for a new and just society.

The very enthusiastic AICUF students of St. Andrew's College attended the **29th AICUF National Council Camp** from the

12th to the 15th of August 2017 in Chennai. The theme of the camp was '**Safeguarding Secularism and Democracy in India**' where they learned about our Constitution, our rights and various problems faced by the minorities in India. The election for the National Convener was held in this camp.

AICUF Maharashtra organised its annual **Youth Encounter Session (Y.E.S.) Camp** from the 1th to the 5th of November, 2017 at Jawhar Taluka in Palghar District, Maharashtra in coordination with the Hinduja Foundation and Learning Links Foundation (LLF). The camp constituted of visits to the villages of the Warli and Konkan tribes. This was not only an exposure camp for AICUF students but also a platform to develop leadership qualities. On 13 January, 2018 a **visit to Snehasadan - A girl's orphanage**, Jogeshwari was organized as a part of **Ujali - An initiative by AICUF** that works for saving the girl child and women's empowerment. The girls were taught few self-defense moves as a part of empowerment and they also learnt to make paper bags as a part of saving our environment.

The National Women's Commission Meet 2018 was held from 10 to 13 February 2018 at AICUF Ashram in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. The theme for this meet was "**Gender Equality in India**", where they learned that we are human, but humanity is a choice. The election for the National Women's Commission Convener was also held. With this our activities for the academic year came to an end.

Prof-in-charge: Ms. Jill Lobo

Alumni Association -Report 2017-18

A new core committee was formed on 6 January 2018 with Professors in-charge and the following members: President- Derek Pereira, Secretary- Jasmine Pereira, Treasurer- Nihal Fernandes, Members Russel Baptista, Daniel Luis, Eliza Lobo, Dorelle Fernandes, Richard Gomes, Pio Linhares and Diana. The Professors in charge along with the committee members unanimously decided to have an Alumni reunion Tea Party on 24 February 2018. A few landmark changes that were implemented this year that contributed to the success of the event was the sale of online registration passes for the event. The event was presided over by Rector and Trustee Fr. Magi Murzello, our Trustee Adv. J. Reis and Principal Dr. M. Fernandes and attended by staff members and a sizable number of ex-students. The new committee was introduced to the gathering and games, good food and catching up on college days gone by made it a wonderful evening. The old committee was thanked for all the efforts they had put in during the previous years.

This year an attempt was made to encourage the enrolment of many students in the association. A new online portal was created to enable ex-students to register themselves in the Alumni Association. This enabled the institution to track the professional progression of the alumni after they had passed out from the institution. Over and above these achievements St. Andrew's College Alumni Association (SACA) plans to hold many other activities in the next

academic year

Profs-in-charge: S. Malhotra, Dr. C. Braganza and C. Dsouza

Andrean Counselling Unit- 2017-2018

St. Andrew's College Counselling Unit has been trying to reach out to students by providing assistance in social, academic&behavioral areas. The counselling unit began the academic year by organizing orientation sessions for students of the Degree as well as the Junior College. The unit has offered its services to about 40 individual students who availed of the counselling services and with more than 200+ follow up sessions collectively.

The various issues experienced by students and adolescents were Discord in parent-child relationship, academic matters anxiety problems, body image, gender identity and relationship issues, There was also a need to aggressive and impulsive behavior and substance abuse address. As a follow up, the unit plans to have intervention activities that will help students in these areas. These issues were dealt with using counselling techniques like client centered therapy, cognitive behavior therapy, anger management, reality therapy, some projective test administration, gestalt's empty chair technique, role play technique, mindfulness thinking, challenging thoughts- through methods of thought restructuring and thought reframing, positive thinking, solution focused brief therapy and relaxation techniques.

The Counselling unit assisted in Test administration activity organized by the Andean Psychology Team. A total number of 80 students participated in it from different streams. The tests administered were - The Big 5 Personality Inventory, Fear of appearing Incompetent, Emotional Quotient, Acron's Eating Disorder Questionnaire, Childhood Trauma Questionnaire, Hamilton's Anxiety Scale and the House Tree Person test. The analysis was done & reports were handed over to students.

Prof-in-charge: Ms. Shubda Malhotra and Ms. Trisha Almeida, (College Counsellor)

Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension - DLLE

Motto: 'Reach to Unreach'

In its first year of Extension Activity, 137 students registered with the Department of Life Long Learning and Extension, University of Mumbai. The College has opted for 3 activities out of 6, viz.

- Career Project (CP),
- Anna Poorna Yojana (APY)
- Survey of Women's Status (SWS).

A Training programme was conducted on 11 September, 2017 by Dr. Jitendra Ahirkar, Field Coordinator. He briefed the students on the Rules, Regulations, Policies, and gave a General Introduction of DLLE. Students of the APY were put into groups of 3-4 students and they made charts on food types, their benefits and uses. These were displayed in college so that others could get educated on healthy eating. The students of the APY & CP formed joint groups and put up stalls in the college premises on 21 December,

2017, from early morning till late evening. They sold food and other products, the profits of which were donated to the orphanage. This activity was in association with the "Yeh Lo Santa" project. CP students showcased their skills on Entrepreneurship & Marketing through this activity.

The CP students interviewed professionals from different fields. This data was then used to educate the students on the professions they could pursue later in life. Information was also shared on how these goals could be achieved. They also joined Schools and NGOs to teach the under privileged children on subjects which are a part of their syllabus. The SWS students analyzed the "Status of Women in the Society" through survey and primary research. While doing the survey they also created awareness about their rights. Each student interviewed 40 -50 women individually and covered different areas given by the respective Extension Teachers.

A Poster Making Competition was arranged on 31 January, 2018 for all the DLLE students from the college. The best poster got a cash prize and the winner was sent for the Udaan Festival held on 2 February, 2018. 20 Students participated in the Street Play of the same festival. The festival was organised by the Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension, University of Mumbai and took place at Sasmira Institute, Worli. They were accompanied by Prof. Ritesh Sheth & Prof. Savina Shenoy.

The CP students helped in the preparation and arrangements of Inter

collegiate workshops on Calligraphy, Graphology and Advance Power Point. They also contributed to the Seminar on Inter-Generational Bonding which was held in the last week of January, 2018 and the First week of February, 2018. The SWS students made posters on the Status of Women and arranged a rally to further spread awareness. The CP students also went to Carter Road on 14 February, 2018 to teach underprivileged kids drawing & helped with their studies in an innovative manner wherein kids explored learning through unconventional ways thus enjoying their lessons. The students who did not participate in the Udaan wrote essays of 1500 words on a topic out of the 42 given by the Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension, University of Mumbai in addition to the final assignment given by DLLE, UOM.

Profs-in-charge : Ritesh Sheth, Dr. Harmeet Kaur Bhasin, Savita Giri, Savina Shenoy

Entrepreneurship Cell (2017-18)

The Entrepreneurships Cell was christened ANDRE-PRENEURS with the aim of promoting a spirit of entrepreneurship amongst Andreans. This is in keeping with the Indian mission of a sense of enterprise being encouraged at all levels. Many an Andrean in the course of their career has turned to business and startups and this cell hopes the network of alumni will nurture and motivate our current students.

On 5 August 2017, the cell was inaugurated with the appointment of a student committee that organized 'ACE'. This was followed by the Entrepreneurship Quiz and Stories session

aimed at B.Com (A&F) students on 8 August 2017. A session on ET Panache on 7 September 2017 was conducted to create awareness of recent entrepreneurship trends, which had the student audience animatedly asking questions.

18 January 2018 saw a bunch of ex-Andrean entrepreneurs give up a morning of work to share their experiences post college and their story on how they stepped into their present roles. Sean, Rebecca, Jasmine, Neisha, Naomi and Shaun, in the varied fields of finance, marketing organic jams, image consultancy, branding, baking and software respectively, drew the students into the highs and lows of a startup experience. They very generously offered their time for future mentoring if required by the very enthusiastic and inspired listeners.

Towards the end of the academic year, on 28 February 2018, Lil Flea, a mini market had students selling their wares in the form of hand made products, the result of their creative ideas. The purpose was to get them to approach strangers and analyse in a small way, how consumer behaviour works in real life. The students were also encouraged to read books on Entrepreneurship and review the same. Plans for the next academic year include workshops, Shark Tank styled competitions and networking with other institutions to hone the skills of potential Andrepreneurs!

Prof-in-charge: Desiree Gonsalves & Savina Shenoy.

Students' Council Report 2017-2018

The Students' Council was formed on 20 July, 2017 according to the University of Mumbai guidelines. The Students' Council body played an important role in carrying out various activities for the college. Following are the activities undertaken by the council which ranged from organising different fun filled activities to taking up serious issues of administration and maintenance.

Teachers Day Celebration : 4 September, 2017: The Students Council members organised a programme for the teachers to honour the services they render towards both, students and the institution. The students presented a short cultural programme as a token of their appreciation to teachers.

Students Research Paper : 16 September, 2017: Students Council members participated in the Inter-Department Student Seminar, presented research papers and submitted articles on the chosen theme 'Water'. Their papers will subsequently be published in the student journal, Lumiere

LOOP 2017 : Fest of Students Council: The following activities were conducted as part of LOOP

Traditional Day and Talent Hunt : 16 December, 2017: The main aim of the programme was to bring different cultures, their traditions and all the colours together under one roof. Accordingly a series of competition were conducted. The competitions included Mr

And Ms Loop 2017 and Talent Hunt. The participants mesmerized us by their talents. The Talent Hunt was won by Jonathan Sequeira and Jordan D'souza while Swapnoneal Chatterjee and Swati Shedge were crowned Mr. Loop and Ms. Loop 2017

Treasure Hunt : 18 December, 2017 : Around 35 teams of 3 students each participated in the Treasure Hunt which was won by Jonathan Sequeira, Myron Mendonca and Jordan D'souza (T.Y.B.Com)

Star Making Competition : 20 December, 2017: Jerome (T.Y.BBI) bagged the first place.

Cake Decoration Competition : 21 December, 2017

Christmas Celebration : 22 December, 2017 : The Christmas celebration started with an amazing cultural dance performance by the Muskaan NGO kids. A short play on the birth of Lord Jesus was performed by the F.Y.B.A French students which was followed by a musical performance by the Faith on Campus (FOC) students.

Apart from these activities, the council members had regular meetings with the Principal to discuss the issues and come up with possible solutions to solve them. The Council carried out drives to segregate dry and wet waste as part of the waste management projects. The members were also instrumental in taking initiative to monitor the infrastructure and hygiene on campus.

Students' Council General Secretary: Mikael D'Souza

Report of College Women Development Cell (CWDC)

The University of Mumbai set up the University Women Development Cell (UWDC) in 2001 in response to the Vishaka judgment passed by the Supreme Court in 1997. The main objective of this cell is to make the University gender-sensitive. The College Women Development Cell (CWDC) of St. Andrew's is constituted as per the directives of University of Mumbai. Its main objective is to sensitise students to the issues related to gender with specific reference to sexual harassment.

The CWDC has conducted various activities in the current academic year to make our campus gender sensitive. These includes workshops, guest lectures screening of documentaries followed by discussions and deliberation

Workshops : Adv. Kamayani took sessions for the staff of the college on "Sex Role and Gender Sensitisation" where she highlighted issues related to patriarchy resulting in a biased sex role socialisation. She highlighted 'Sexual Harassment and Legal Implication'. It covered the Vishaka guidelines on sexual harassment and rape.

Mr. Joseph Rodrigues conducted sessions for the girl students on "Self Defense" where he practically demonstrated self defense techniques. He even highlighted the importance of self defense in today's era.

Guest lectures : Adv. Sonika Shetty spoke to the students on Gender sensitization and debates on Sec 377. Class teachers

sensitized their classes on gender issues. Forms, concerns and legal interventions on sexual harassment were also discussed. Prof. Janine Coelho took a session on Gender and Education. She highlighted the status of women in higher education. Ms Urmi Jadhav a transgender person and activist had an interactive session with students on how their exclusion from the mainstream results in their marginalization.

Documentaries: The CWDC screened a series of documentaries pertaining to gender sensitisation since students are able to relate and participate in a more effective manner. This was followed by discussions and deliberation and at times an activist or social worker was called to give their views. Some of the prominent documentaries screened included *Bol* on gender discrimination, *Silent Waters*, about a widowed mother and her young son living in a Punjabi village as it undergoes radical changes during the late 1970s, *Born In Brothels*, an Oscar winning documentary highlights the challenge that women face when they are in flesh trade. It highlighted the life of children especially girls who are socialized to be future flesh trade workers. *Water* introspects into the tales of rural Indian widows in the 1940s and covers controversial subjects such as misogyny and ostracism, *Parched* depicts social evils and age-old traditions and practices of patriarchy, child marriage, dowry, marital rapes and women empowerment and *Behind Closed Doors*. This highlights the violence that women face behind closed doors in their respective families. The documentary teaches that women should not be treated as objects and

every woman has an identity of her own.

Skit: A skit on the theme of “Challenges faced by women” was enacted by the students and they portrayed all the odds of life like acid attack, low status, psychological harassment that women face today.

Presentations : were done by students about the “Problems Faced by Women in Society and their Possible Solutions”. Some of the major problems faced by women are dowry, lack of education and restrictions from family, women trafficking, harassment and abuse at workplace and killing of girl child. Every coin has two sides and likewise every problem has a solution. Educating a female child and making her aware of the rights available can help empower women. They can also seek help from family, friends and NGO's to overcome their emotional trauma and gain the confidence they need.

Profs-in-Charge: Dr. Vatika Sibal and Patricia Lemos.

Student in-Charge: Ruddhi Shah.

National Service Scheme -_NSS Motto: 'Not Me But You'

2017-18 was yet another fulfilling year for the NSS Unit of St. Andrew's College. We began with a congratulatory meeting of the volunteers who successfully completed one year with NSS in the previous year accomplishing 120 hours of dedicated social work. These enthusiastic volunteers have played the role of the leaders and volunteers and fulfilled the cardinal principle of the programme that it is organized by the students themselves

to enhance their leadership qualities, democratic attitude, sense of civic responsibility and skills of team work& sharing responsibilities. Both the students and the Professors-In-Charge through their combined participation in social service get a sense of involvement in the tasks of community development. The activities undertaken during 2017-18 are as follows:-

Community/Area Based Activities

Teaching At A Municipal School At Mira Road: After an initial orientation in our college regarding the teaching activity, our volunteers were introduced to the Principal, teaching staff and non-teaching staff of the municipal school on the first day of their visit to the school. We were taken to each of the class room where we were supposed to teach; as there were some physically challenged students they explained how to take care of them. We helped the teachers in preparing the teaching aid, craft, art making, and even gave an idea of digital teaching in all the class rooms. We taught them English and even prepared some activities to make their learning easier. We tried to make them more active in the activities done in the class/school. We prepared the children for the Christmas day celebration as we taught them Carols with actions. On the last day we helped the teachers in preparing for the Christmas day for the children. This activity made us aware about the importance of the right of education. We are grateful for this beautiful opportunity to spread joy and cheer in the lives of young children.

Leader-in-charge: Ms. Angel Varghese

(S.Y.B.Com.), Mr. Glen Gonsalves (S.Y.B.A.), Mr. Victor D'souza (S.Y.B.A.)

Bandra Police Station (BPS) Activity:

This activity was started in 2017 by the NSS Unit after the conclusion of the Bandra Fair Security Activity mentioned above. The Bandra Police noticed the excellent work done by our volunteers during the Bandra Fair and approached the NSS Unit through the Principal of our college for enlisting the volunteers' assistance at the BPS.

The police taught us how to file missing reports and the different types of stamps used in the police station. They explained which legal documents should be taken to the Director General of Police and for what purpose. We assisted the police by registering the names in the report book of all the people who entered the police station. We helped the police understand the problems faced by the victims. They also told us which documents are required for passport verification and job verification. They guided us throughout the activity and were very co-operative and supportive of our social work. The police station activity was a very enriching experience. We became aware of all the challenges and difficulties faced by the police which made us appreciative and grateful for the work that they are doing.

Leaders-in-charge: Ms. Jordana Quadros (T.Y.B.A.), Mr. Felix Rodrigues (S.Y.B.Com.)

Mahim Novena Security: This started this year was thanks to Mr. Jude. The

volunteers helped to maintain proper queues, decorum in the church, assisted security officials, provided first aid to the devotees.

Leader-in-charge: Mr. Aaron Nar (S.Y.B.Com.)

My Green Society: This was a project jointly undertaken by the BMC and the NSS Unit of the University of Mumbai to spread awareness about segregating waste into dry and wet and to compost the wet waste. The volunteers identified the localities for the project, visited the various societies in the localities and explained the project, demonstrated how to segregate waste through power point presentation, collected the feedback forms from the societies, re-visited the societies to examine & check the implementation.

Leader-in-charge: Ms. Seneca Kinny (S.Y.B.Com.)

Wall Painting Activity: We again have to thank Mr. Jude for coordinating this activity. The walls of St. Joseph Home & Nursery at Agripada were scraped and white washed, various pictures depicting a variety of social issues were selected, these pictures were sketched on the wall, painted and finally the finishing touches were given. The local people and the Sisters managing the home were very happy with the volunteers' creativity and well-co-ordinated effort in completing the paintings.

Leader-in-charge: Ms. Ramona Rodrigues (S.Y.B.Com.)

UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE LEVEL ACTIVITIES

The following NSS activities were undertaken at the University and College Level:

1	NSS orientation	College	9-Jun-17
2	Tree plantation	University	17-Jun-17
3	NSS orientation (First Year)	College	19-Jun-17
4	Yoga day	College	21-Jun-17
5	Anti-drug day (Street play)	University	27-Jun-17
6	Anti-drug session (Worli)	University	28-Jun-17
7	Blood donation (Rotary Club)	College	1-Jul-17
8	Anti-narcotic session	University	3-Jul-17
9	University foundation day	University	17-Jul-17
10	Environmental protection	University	21-Jul-17
11	IIFA	University	28-Jul-17
12	Cyber welfare	College	5-Aug-17
13	Swachh bearcat(cleanliness drive)	University	7-Aug-17
14	Waste segregation	University	9-Aug-17
15	Jhankaar security	College	10-Aug-17
16	Olio security	College	11-Aug-17
17	Flag picking	College	16-Aug-17
18	Self defence session	College	22-Aug-17
19	Rally for rivers	College	23-Aug-17
20	Talk on indo-pak -china dosti	University	4-Sep-17
21	World suicide prevention day	University	10-Sep-17
22	Brim session	College	14-Sep-17
23	Crowd management for college procession	College	15-Sep-17
24	Mahim beach cleaning	College	17-Sep-17
25	Yeh India ka time hai	University	23-Sep-17
26	NSS day celebration	College	25-Sep-17
27	Essay writing competition	University	26-Sep-17
28	Swachhgrah rally	University	2-Oct-17
29	Bhajan sandhya	University	2-Oct-17

30	Blind walk	University	12-Oct-17
31	Pct. (youth's role in fighting corruption)	University	13-Oct-17
32	Walk for freedom	University	14-Oct-17
33	Run for university	University	29-Oct-17
34	Poster making (aids week)	University	4-Dec-17
35	T-shirt painting (aids week)	University	4-Dec-17
36	Dialogue for communal harmony	University	8-Dec-17
37	Aurathon	College	9-Dec-17
38	Session for thalassemia	College	15-Dec-17
39	The NSS unit of St Andrews College organized a blood donation drive where Mahatma Gandhi Blood Bank and Holy Family Hospital were called for collecting the blood units. Along with the blood donation, Thalassemia tests too were conducted. The drive witnessed the students willingly coming forward to donate blood with the intention of saving another life. Students, teaching staff and non-teaching staff came whole heartedly to donate blood. The tireless work of the NSS volunteers and mainly the support of the students helped the NSS unit to collect 167 units of blood out of the 245 participants. Hard work by the volunteers paid off in making the event a successful one.	College	19-Dec-17
40	Human chain (AIDS week)	University	6-Jan-18
41	Pledge (AIDS)	University	6-Jan-18
42	Disaster management workshop	University	30-Jan-18
43	Disaster management workshop	University	31-Jan-18

Various Camps During The Year

Leadership Training Camp: 5 Days
Residential Camp- 17 August 2017 to 21 August 2017: The University of Mumbai, National Service Scheme Cell organized a residential Leadership Training Camp at the Teachers' Training Academy, University of Mumbai, Kalina Campus. Two of our F.Y. volunteers Mr. Abhishek

Lotlikar (F.Y.B.A.) and Ms. Bethia Dsouza (F.Y.B.Com.) attended this camp. They had a great experience for 5 days with various informative sessions about NSS and general issues and many team building activities.

Special Residential Rural Camp : 7 Days -
17 January 2018 to 23 January 2018: The much awaited NSS rural residential

camp was held at Yusuf Meherally Centre, Tara Village, Panvel Taluka. Our adopted village, Koralwadi is located across a mountain and is a kilometre away from this campsite. 32 volunteers participated in the camp assisted by at least two/three professors at any point of time.

Our volunteers woke up early every morning for an exercise schedule and after breakfast some of the volunteers helped out daily in the kitchen with the cleaning and cutting of vegetables and preparation of food. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan was carried out at the campsite. The students provided community service in the adopted village such as cleaning the village, cleaning and painting the school building, cleaning the area in front of the school. Educational materials were also gifted to the children in the adopted village. A tribal girls' hostel was visited by our female volunteers who gifted them some educational materials and personal hygiene products. This interaction enriched each and every one's life who were present there. Volunteers performed street plays for the residents of the near-by villages on social issues such as save water, eradication of corruption, overuse of mobile phones, superstitions, etc. Three guest sessions were held on topics such as theatre skills, personality development, importance of yoga. We also had a competition on best out of waste.

Away from our home and our families for 7 days during the camp and also throughout the past one year, we created a new supportive family with our NSS team members and learnt qualities of

professional commitment, time management, empathy, tackling minor health issues, group-living, sharing our resources and talents selflessly, communications skills, etc.

Our volunteers displayed great enthusiasm and a sense of involvement to extend their services for the community development. They worked hard and actively participated in each and every activity and fulfilled the NSS motto 'NOT ME, BUT YOU'.

Students-in-charge: The true pillars of NSS are the student leaders who have toiled much beyond their call of duty to make the NSS Unit of St. Andrew's College excel in all the activities undertaken. For the year 2017-18 the leaders were: Aaron Nar (Main Leader, S.Y.B.Com.), Angel Varghese (Assistant Leader, S.Y.B.Com.), and 6 Leaders - Jordana Quadros (T.Y.B.A.) Glen Gonsalves (S.Y.B.A.), Victor D'souza (S.Y.B.A.), Felix Rodrigues (S.Y.B.Com.), Ramona Rodrigues (S.Y.B.Com.), Seneca Kinny (S.Y.B.Com.).

Profs-in-charge: Rachel George, (Programme Officer), Vineetha Nair, Neeraj Shukla, Vidhyadhar Dhamapurkar and Januarita D'souza.

Spectacular performances at AWMTC left everyone spellbound!

Music expresses that which cannot be said and on which it is impossible to be silent.

- Victor Hugo

On 26 July, 2017; around 850 people gathered in the St. Andrew's Auditorium to have an experience of a lifetime. The

Andrean Western Music Talent Contest (AWMTC) is an intra-collegiate music fest organised by St. Andrew's College, Bandra (W) to give budding musicians and singers a platform to showcase their talent. The host for the day was the multi-talented Melroy Fernandes who left everyone in a fit of giggles with his jokes and spot prizes. The esteemed panel of judges included Sashikala Charles, Bryan Ernest, Giselle Pinto and David Britto. The event began with 'a video' which gave an insight into what AWMTC was all about and how it evolved over the years.

The students of the college sang the Andrean Anthem which made every Andrean feel proud of being part of this institution. Prior to the final event, there was an elimination round for the participants and finalists were selected for the main event.

The Solo category, with 6 participants, the 'Fusion Dance Crew' and the 3 participants in the Original Composition category mesmerized the audience. A minute of silence was observed for the sad demise of an Andrean - Deborah Fernandes and also for late singer Chester Bennington.

The Organizing Team also performed 'A Tribute to Linkin Park'. Next, it was time for the Instrumental-Classical, (4 participants), and Duet (5 duos) categories to rock the stage. The first half of the event ended with Saxophonist Denver Rocha's marvellous performance.

During the break, the lip-smacking food stalls by the sponsors were patronised and loved by all. The second half began with a performance by beat boxers Steve, Warren, Zaccaria and Leon who left the audience cheering for more.

3 Instrumental-Non Classical participants and the winners of the Ensemble category 'Double Treble' surprised all with their breath-taking performances. 'Save the best for the last' is what they say and the 3 Band category finalists proved this right with their splendid performances.

Later, the 'Dark Carnival' dance group and Devyani made everyone groove to the beat with their delightful dance performance. The Vote of Thanks was given by the Chairperson of AWMTC 2017 - Joshua Barretto and the Vice-chairpersons Nicole Saldanha and Onassen D'Souza. The professors in charge felicitated the judges who also put up an outstanding performance.

The results of all the categories were announced and the prizes for the same were distributed. The star of the event was the fantastic Eden D'Souza who took home three prizes in the four categories she participated in.

Lastly, 'a video clip' was shown to all which visually summed up the entire event. This entire event received extensive media coverage by The Indian Express and other sponsors promoting the event thereby making each and every Andrean feel proud.

Category	Prize	Winner
Solo Vocals	1 st	Eden D'Souza
	2 nd	Scott Rodrigues
	3 rd	Ian Pereira
Duet	1 st	Laura Demello & Tyra Trinidad
	2 nd	Avantika Kini & Gabriela D'Souza
	3 rd	Daniel Pitter & Simone Alvares
Original Composition		Gideon D'Souza Eden D'Souza
Instrumental - Classical		Eden D'Souza
Instrumental - Non-Classical		Marielou Mendonca
Band category		'Older Than The Rest'

Profs- in-charge: Dr. Sharon Gonsalves Durham & Patricia Pereira.

Research Committee Report

The Research Committee was constituted in 2016 with the purpose of encouraging a spirit of research amongst both, staff and students. Various meetings were held to list out areas of concern in research, including plagiarism and quality of research publications. The college has installed D-space software in order to create an institutional repository. The institutional repository consists of all college publications and articles that are published by the staff and students. Access to the repository is provided through the intranet in the library. Accordingly, for this purpose, data of staff publications were compiled as per UGC requirements and uploaded.

It was decided that all future research publications or projects undertaken through the college will be routed through the Research Committee. A new system was devised to keep a record of staff publications, done as per UGC norms, for easy access whenever required.

The focus of the cell this year was to encourage a Faculty Exchange Programme as part of college's best practice programme. It was to facilitate an exchange of ideas and communication between academic institutions from different regional areas. Principal Dr. Alexander Jesudasan of Madras Christian College, Chennai, graciously agreed to host Dr. Harmeet Bhasin from the Department of Commerce of our college. Dr. Bhasin spent three days on their campus extensively meeting with their staff and students. Apart from conducting workshops, she visited their social service centre, Family Life Institute, Mappedu. This centre is a skill development centre for women from the marginalized group which trains women for entrepreneurship. They also organize health camps.

Aaron Lanong and Susheel Varghese students from the Arts faculty were part of the first student exchange team that visited

Christ College, Bangalore. They interacted with the faculty and students of Department of Literature.

As a reciprocal gesture St. Andrew's College will be hosting the staff and students of the respective colleges in the next academic year.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Shirly George, Dr. Desiree Gonsalves, Dr. Sharon G. Durham, Dr. Sujata Rajpurkar

Staff Advancement Report

The Staff Advancement Committee conducted several activities for staff members. Along with CWDC, the Committee organized a workshop on "Gender & Sexual Harassment" by Advocate Kamayani. She stressed the role of teachers in identifying sexual harassment within the college and its legal implications. The Staff Advancement Committee and Library Committee jointly arranged a guest lecture on "Scholarly Writing" by Dr. Sushma Paudwal on 6 June 2017.

Eminent RTI activist and ex-Chief Information Commissioner, Mr. Shailesh Gandhi, was invited on October 9, 2017 to discuss and deliberate on issues pertaining to the RTI act. A part of the staff field trip a heritage walk was organized to Bandra Fort.

Annual staff seminar will be held on at the beginning of the next academic year.

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Shirly George and Dr. Madhu Rai

The French Cultural Exchange Programme- An experience beyond books

This academic year 2017-18, St. Andrew's College collaborated with Institution Jean

Paul II, Compiègne, France for a cultural exchange programme. This programme was held from 3 to 17 May, wherein our students visited and stayed in Compiègne, France. From 7 to 20 December, the French students visited and stayed with us in Mumbai.

This exchange programme was not only one of its kind but was also the first one for our college. This programme was unique in its own way, as the students not only represented our college but also our country. 15 of our students along with one professor and the Rector of the college went on this trip and each of us was paired with a student/ teacher from the French Institution.

While in France, we visited some of the historic places, attended few classes and prepared an entire function about Indian culture which we presented to them. Some of our students also got an opportunity to visit other places in France with their host families. We were fortunate to meet the Deputy Mayor of Compiègne, France Arielle Francois in the Town Hall on 9 May 2017. We all dressed up in our traditional Indian attire in order to give them a glimpse of our Indian culture.

The French and the Indian students welcomed each other by singing our national anthem, followed by a short speech by the Deputy Mayor, Director of Institution John Paul II Mr. Laurent Nicolas and our Rector Fr. Magi Murzello.

As in Indian culture, we always say a guest is like God, we did not leave any stone unturned while welcoming them to Mumbai in December. We showed them the historic places in Mumbai, let them experience our college and school fest, had a spread of

Indian cuisines keeping in mind their spice content, a French day celebration for them, fun day by visiting Imagica-Theme park and we also took them to Shraddha Vihar ashram and Shanti Daan.

The French students also met, His Eminence, Oswald Cardinal Gracias on 20 December at Colaba during his birthday celebration mass.

This programme enabled our students to get an experience beyond books which is difficult to measure and put into words. The exchange programme has not only helped both the Indian and the French students understand each other's culture but has also washed away all the prejudices they had about each other's culture.

I would like to extend my thanks to our Principal. Dr. Marie Fernandes, our Rector Fr. Magi Murzello and Professor Janine Coelho for all their help in making this exchange a memorable one.

Prof-in-charge: Clementia D'Souza

UGC-sponsored National Seminar on "The Economics of Pollution"

The Department of Economics of St Andrew's College held a UGC- sponsored National Seminar on 15th March, 2018, on the theme "The Economics of Pollution". With well-known public figures and academicians as speakers, the seminar was attended by the students of the college along with those from other colleges and a few interested citizens from the area.

The keynote speaker Dr. Claude Alvares, a

notable environmentalist, set the stage for debate and discussions for the day with his talk on the 'Pollution of Economics'. In a simple yet meaningful speech, he set the ball rolling by shocking everyone to attention. His talk was followed by IGIDR's Professor of Environmental Policy, Dr. Sudhakar Yedla who, in contrast to Dr. Alvares, delivered an academic and scholarly yet engaging lecture on Environmental Economics which covered various concepts and theories that form the basis of the discipline at the present time.

The third speaker to enthrall the attendees was renowned environmental activist, writer, and photographer, Mr. Bittu Sahgal. Mr. Sahgal began his session by showing a small video about the deteriorating state of the environment and shed light on the idea that a strong resolve is an absolute must if this state is to be changed for the better. His presentation was aesthetically pleasing and impactful. He also introduced one of his colleagues who placed before the audience firsthand information about their work in the Vidarbha region relating to organic farming and eco-tourism.

Finally, Mr. Hussain Indorewala, a local activist, engaged with the discussion revolving around Mumbai's coastal road and covered the immediate direct impact as well as the subsequent indirect impact of the coastal road on the environment. Thereby, he provided a real-life example of economics and the environment, showing that each citizen has a role to play in the implementation of such projects.

Thus, the 2018 Economics Seminar was

absorbing and informative as a variety of viewpoints were placed before the audience. The difference of opinions could provoke fresh thinking in both the audience and the speakers. The seminar ended with Dr. Amelia Correa proposing the vote of thanks. The audience seemed grateful as they exited the hall.

Fatema Patel, Marc Nazareth

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Amelia Correa and Dr. Graciela Tavares

Civil Service Cell Report

On 24 August 2017 Orientation for the Civil Service was held. 220 students from B.Com and B.A attended the same. Some of the topics included:

- Introduction to Civil Services as a Career Option with general prevailing career scenario analysis
- Basic Information: Various recruitment exams conducted by the UPSC, MPSC and Staff Selection Commission
- The Exam Scheme and Syllabus
- How to prepare for these exams?
- The Right Approach: The necessary attitude, will power, discipline, study skills and the DOs and DON'Ts of the preparation.
- Videos of toppers in Civil Service Exam

On 28 and 29 August 2017 there were Banking Sessions for TYB.Com students 36 students attended the same.

- English Language Comprehension skills.
- Logical reasoning and analytical ability.
- Decision-making and problem-solving
- General mental ability
- Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude -Class X

level.

A Mock Banking test was conducted and printed study material was provided to every student.

From 13 to 25 September 2017, ten sessions were arranged on Building Competencies for Civil Services Exam, for SY and TY students. 21 students from BA and B. Com attended the same. The topics covered included:

- Presentations skills
- Group Discussion
- Personal Interview Skills
- Introduction to Public Speaking
- Awareness of Current vital Issues facing the country
- Fluency and Accuracy Development
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Introduction to Massive Open Online Courses (E-learning opportunities)
- Logical reasoning and analytical ability
- Decision-making and problem-solving
- General mental ability

Printed study materials and a DVD of Digital Resources and a copy of the CSR magazine, (the latest issue,) was given to every participant. A certificate of participation was also awarded.

From 26 to 29 September 2017, three sessions were held on Building Competencies for Civil Services Exam for F.Y students. 26 students attended the same.

- Logical reasoning and analytical ability
- Decision-making and problem-solving
- General mental ability
- Presentations skills
- Group Discussion

Profs-in-charge: Dr. Amelia Correa and Jyoti Bhatia

UNESCO and CARDINAL PAUL POUPARD FOUNDATION

Chair of Inter-religious and Inter-cultural Dialogue



Elocution Competition



Presentation on Temples of India



Strings of Peace



Visit to Shri Narayani Dham Temple



Visit to Aga Khan Palace



Release of Journal at the International Conference
“The Role of Education to Foster Religious Harmony”



Our Chief Guest His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias
welcomed with flowers by Mikael D'Souza

B. Sc. HOSPITALITY DEPARTMENT



Flower Arrangement Workshop



Japanese Cuisine by Chef Sunny Serao



Seminar on Nestle Products



Session by 'Cocktails and Dreams'



Towel Art Demonstration



Rutucharya 2018 Team with Guests



Industrial Visit to Go Cheese Plant

B. Sc. (IT) DEPARTMENT



R-Programming Session by Mr. Nathan Depenha



Guest Lecture by IBS Staff Member.



Aptitude Test Analysis Session by Mr. Prasankamat



GENDER CELL



Self Defense Workshop



Presentation by Students

BMS DEPARTMENT



Visit to the R.B.I. Monetary Museum



Visit to S.E.B.I



Session on "Professional Grooming"
by Mr. Satish Bendre



"P.U.L.S.E" – An Initiative by
the Focolare Movement.



H.R. Team-building Activity at Lonavala.



BAF DEPARTMENT

Excelsior Team

Excelsior 2018

Guidance Lecture

Industrial Visit

BBI DEPARTMENT



Workshop on Soft Skills



Seminar on Mock Interviews-Barclays



Rural Connect Programme at Uttan Village



Interaction with fishermen and their families - Uttan



Intra-Departmental Seminar on Brain Re-Programming



Intra-Departmental Seminar on Goal Setting



Visit to Sula Vineyards

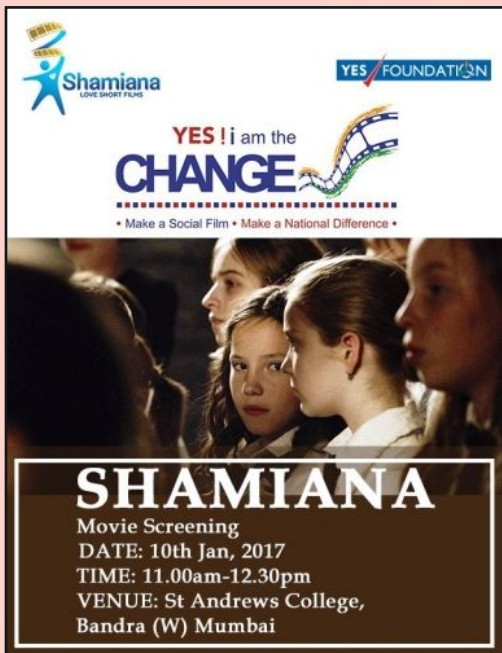
BMM DEPARTMENT



Cutting Chai – Winning PR Team



Guest Lecture on Cinema –Mr. Andrews



Shamiana – Short films Screening



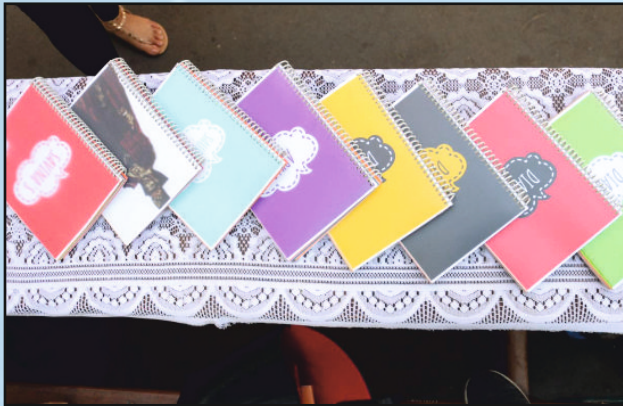
SPICE Workshop on Broadcasting Techniques

CHRISTMAS IN THE WOODS



A visual extravaganza to set the tone for Christmas

ENTREPRENEURSHIP CELL



DEPARTMENT OF LIFE LONG LEARNING AND EXTENSION



Carter Road Visit by Career Project Students



First Term Training Programme by the Field Coordinator.



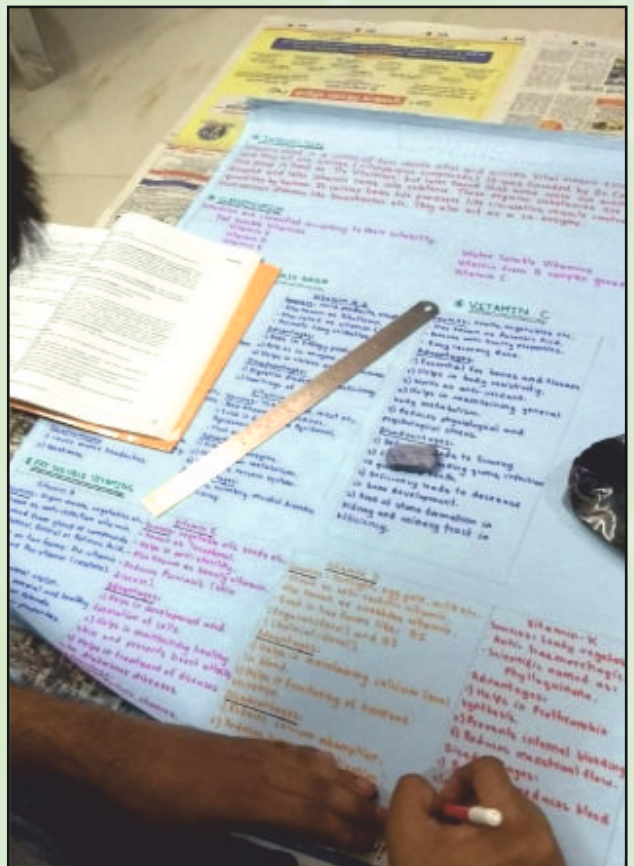
Participants of Udaan Festival with Principal.



CP Students Teaching at Government School.



Students Participated in Udaan Festival



Poster Making by APY Students on Food Types, their Benefits and Use.

INTER-COLLEGIATE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES - Degree College 2017-18

Inter-collegiate competitions under the “Andrean Talent Club” provide an opportunity to our students to showcase their talents and put their skills to test. Students participated in several literary and performing arts competitions in intercollegiate festivals across Mumbai and brought laurels to our college by winning various events.

This year also our students have done excellently. Our college participated in more than 25 college festivals. The list of winners is as follows:

Sr. no	Name of the college	Event Participated	Place Won	winners
1.	St. Xavier's College-Malhar	Malhar Cataclysm	Second Place	Kim Mhapankar Susheel Varghese
2.		Speak for India	Zonal Level Debater	Kim Mhapankar
3.	National Institute Of event Management	Best Event Manager	Best Event Manager of The Year	Kim Mhapankar
4.	Sophia's College	MUNSOPHICAL 2017	Best Viewed Delegate Botswana	Kim Mhapankar
5.		Arthonomics Parlimentary Debate Competition	Runner Up	Kim Mhapankar
6.	Kiran (KC College)	Mono Act	Second Place	Nirajpitale
		Group Act	First Place	Adnan Baig Farhan Lohani Niraj Pitale Jaqueline Simon Warren D'Silva Dharmesh Moleshri
		Group Act	Third Place	Farhan Lohani Akshita Jaqueline Simon Dharmesh Moleshri Kimberly Steffy Sequeira Militia D'Sa Ashutosh Kamodkar
		Poetry	First Place	Dharmesh Moleshri

	Poetry	Third	Steffy Sequeira
	Shipwrecked	First	Dharmesh Moleshri
	Treasure Hunt	Third	Ashish Isai Tofmahai Nashley
	Digital Treasure Hunt	Third	Dharmesh Moleshri Ashutosh Kamodkar Militia D'Sa
	Standup Comedy	First	Pranav Bhati
	Acapella	Second	Pepin Warren Steve Jilian Michelle Rochelle
	Scary House Making	Third	Steffy Sequeira Kimberly Canhero
	Musical Play	First	Pepin Warren Steve Jilian Michelle Rochelle Militia D'Sa Dharmesh
	Band Event	Third	Nashley Joyal Ashish Isai Thofmahai
	Throwball	First Place	Elisha Barboza Giselle Ferreira Alfina D'Silva Lianne Sanctis Lianne Almeida Jazlynn Mathias Lydia D'Costa
	Table Tennis	Second	Kimberly Steffy
	Car gaming	First	Ashutosh Kamodkar
	Back Ops game	Third	Ginelle

	Kiran	Imprompto Act	First	Dharmesh Moleshri Farhan Lohani Niraj Pitale
		Fashion Show	First	Blenzy Fernandes Seanelle Noronha Salomi Brahmane Zishan Shirsath Shlok Nadkarni Harshita Rathod Ashish Shirsath Robin Shariq Khan Karen
		Overall Trophy Best CL		Dharmesh Moleshri
		Fitness Event	Third	Sharig Khan Farhan Lohani Niraj Pitale
7	Mediathon (St. Paul's Institute)	Convogue (Fashion Show)	Second	Desiree Misquitta Militia D'sa Maureen Fargos Farhan Lohani Vaishnavi Pandey Swapnoneal Chattrjee Cinderella Nayak Dilip Verma Sanford Antao Derrick Dcunha Adnan Baig Jyoti Rawool

Fresh Face

This year the Degree College Inter-Collegiate Cultural Committee conducted Bombay Times Fresh Face 2017-18. More than 200 students registered themselves for the event. Students exhibited various talents like solo dance, solo singing, beat boxing, It is our pride that Laura D'mello made it to the Bombay Finals and was awarded Social Star of Bombay Times Fresh Face

Prof- in-charge : Dr. Harmeet Kaur Bhasin

Students-in-charge : Kim Mahapankar, Kimberly & Dharmesh Moleshri

The Inter-Departmental Student Seminar

The Inter-Departmental Student Seminar now in its 4th year was held on 16 September, 2017. Our Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes had suggested the theme 'Water' and our student presenters interpreted the theme in a very interesting manner. Taking into account the developing world's demand for water, water crises, the conditions of our sacred rivers and the impact of scarcity of water on women, the students made presentations accompanied with slides. Water torture, and water theft indicated the unusual out of the box way our students interpret themes.

Our judge for the morning, Prof. Mariyah Gour from Rizvi College Bandra, provided valuable feedback to the presenters and Susheel Varghese was awarded the prize for the Best Presentation. The list of student presenters and their papers are given below

1.	Ruddhi Shah	T.Y.B.A.	Water Torture
2.	Susheel Varghese	S.Y.B.A.	Water and its Impact on Women in India
3.	AnushkaGaria	T.Y.B.A.	Ganga: The Debilitating Condition of India's River
4.	Kimi Mhapankar	T.Y.B.A.	Water Theft, Smuggling and Other Crimes
5.	Aditeya Das Aaron Lanong	S.Y.B.A.	Hydroponics
6.	RonicaSequeira Fiona Philips	F.Y.B.A.	Urban Water Crisis-Study of Mumbai
7.	Glen D'Souza Charmaine D'Souza	F.Y.B.COM	Drought in Maharashtra

Ashita of the F.Y.B.Com. made a poster on the Water Cycle while Reuben Fernandes and Oscar Fernandes also of F.Y.B.Com. made a working model on Water Conservation.

Many thanks to our Principal for her encouragement, to Dr. Vatika Sibal for her assistance and all our staff members who guided and encouraged our student presenters. Special thanks to Ziska Mendes, Shilton D'Mello and Ralph (all S.Y.B.A.) for helping at the Seminar. Congrats to all the student presenters and next year we look forward to seeing even more presentations.

Prof-in-charge: Janine Coelho

Senior College Sports Report

Event	Organized By	Status At The University Level	Played At STATE/ZONAL	NATIONAL
		University Of Mumbai Inter-Collegiate Tournament	Students Who Represented University of Mumbai in The South-West Zone Inter - University Tournament	Students Who Represented The University Of Mumbai at the All India Inter-University open Championship
Football Women	University Of Mumbai	Champions	1. Shalene D'souza T.Y.BAF 2. Delfiya Pereira T.Y.B.A 3. Kimberly Pereira T.Y.B.A 4. Roshel Cutinho T.Y.BMM 5. Priyanka Ahirao F.Y.BCOM Selected And Represented Mumbai University at West Zone Inter- University Football Tournament 2017-18 Held At L.N.I.P.E (Gwalior)	1. Shalene D'souza T.Y.BAF 2. Delfiya Pereira T.Y.B.A 3. Kimberly Pereira T.Y.B.A 4. Roshel Cutinho T.Y.BMM 5. Priyanka Ahirao F.Y.BCOM Selected And Represented Mumbai University at All India Inter-University Football Tournament 2017-18 Held At L.N.I.P.E (Gwalior)
Hockey Men	University Of Mumbai	Qualified for Top 8 teams	1. Jess Kinny T.Y.BBI 2. Abhishek Agdekar S.Y.BMM Selected And Represented Mumbai University at West Zone Inter- University Hockey Tournament 2017-18 Held At Gujarat Technical University, Vadodara, (Gujarat)	-----
Hockey Women	University Of Mumbai	Bronze Medalist	-----	-----

Basketball Women	University Of Mumbai	Participated		
Basketball Men	University Of Mumbai	Qualified for Top 8 teams	-----	-----
Football Men	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Volleyball Men	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Volleyball Women	University Of Mumbai	Qualified for Top 8 teams	-----	-----
Carom Men	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Carom Women	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Table Tennis	University Of Mumbai	Qualified for Top 8 teams	-----	-----
Cricket	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Athletics Men	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Athletics Women	University Of Mumbai	Participated	-----	-----
Water-Polo Men	University Of Mumbai	Qualified for Top 8 teams	-----	-----

Junior College Staff News

Department of English

Ms. Ruby James & Ms. Kajali Raina

Attended a two day English Teachers' workshop on 'Improved paper pattern and scheme of marking for standard XI', organized by Maharashtra State Board Pune.

Ms. Ruby James & Ms. Kajali Raina trained around 300 teachers across Mumbai on 'Improved Paper pattern and scheme of marking for standard XI'

Department of Sociology

- **Tania Donald** completed a course on Communication Technologies in Education offered by University of Mumbai, on SWAYAM (Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds), a programme of MHRD, Government of India.

Department of Physics

Ms. Archana D. Patil

- Attended a Physics teachers workshop on "Improved paper pattern and scheme of marking for standard XI" on 9 August 2017 organized by Maharashtra State Board at Bhavan's College, Andheri (West) Mumbai.
- Honoured as a judge for judging the K/P East ward level Science Exhibition on 14 December 2017, organised by the Education Department, Mumbai at Holy Family High School and Junior College, Andheri (West), Mumbai-93.

Department of Chemistry

Mr. Dipaksing G. Deshmukh

- Attended a Chemistry teachers workshop on 'Improved paper pattern and scheme of marking for standard XI' on 10 August 2017 organized by Maharashtra State Board at Bhavan's College, Andheri (West) Mumbai.
- Attended a Chemistry teachers workshop on International Conference Advancing Green Chemistry Education in India' on 7 October 2017 organized by R. D. National College, Bandra (West) Mumbai-50 in association with Green Chemistry Foundation.
- Honoured as a judge for judging the In - house Science Exhibition on 24 November 2017, organised by the Thakur Vidya Mandir and Junior College, Kandivali (East), Mumbai.
- Honoured as a judge for judging the 43rd District Level Science Exhibition (South Mumbai District) on 14 December 2017, organised by the Education Department Mumbai at Dr. Antonio Da Silva Technical High School and Junior College, Dadar (West), Mumbai-28.
- Honoured as a judge for judging the K/P East ward level Science Exhibition on 13 December 2017, organised by the Education Department, Mumbai at Holy Family High School and Junior College, Andheri (West), Mumbai-93.
- Won the first prize and trophy as Assenting Teacher in H- ward level "Innovations for sustainable

development Science Exhibition” held on 6,7,8 December 2017, organised by the Education Department, Mumbai at Sacred Heart Boy's High School, Santacruz, Mumbai 54.

- Participated as Assenting Teacher in Zonal level “Innovations for sustainable development Science Exhibition” held on 5,6 January 2018, organized by the Education Department Mumbai at D.G International school, Malad (West) Mumbai.

Department of Biology

Ms. Manisha Chabukswar

Attended the revised syllabus training at Bhavan's College in August 2017.

Attended training for the NEET entrance exam in November 2017.

Department of Maths

- **Ms. Yasmin Khan**, attended a Teachers' Workshop on 'Improvised paper pattern and scheme of marking for standard XI', organized by Maharashtra State Board at Pune.

Facebook has revealed their estimated net worth — \$96 billion. That's almost as much money as businesses lose every year from their employees wasting time looking at Facebook.”

Jay Leno

Department Reports

Department of English

The English Department conducted the following activities for the FYJC and SYJC students:

1. Word Quest
2. Identify the Character
3. Enactment
4. Brain Storming
5. Debate
6. Interview
7. Speech
8. Group Discussion

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Ruby James, Ms. Sweety Fernandes, Ms. Kajali Raina, Ms. Elaine Almeida

The Department of Hindi

The Department of Hindi organised the following activities for Junior College students:

1. Hindi Diwas Ka Mahatva
2. Lekhakoan Ki Jankari
3. KavitaVachan.

Teachers-in-charge: Swati Sawant, Elcy Pinto

Department of History

The History Department conducted a number of activities to make the study of history meaningful and interesting. A class quiz on 'Indian History' and 'Current Affairs' was conducted. A documentary on the Indus Valley civilization and another on Indian sculpture was shown to the students.

Students were presented with a PPT on

the various monuments in India and they could share their experiences with the class about any historical place they had visited earlier. Students were also shown a PPT on Mumbai and The Panama Canal which made them about the history of the canal and its working.

'Kargil Vijay Divas" was commemorated on 26th July in memory of the Kargil War Students prepared posters and conducted a presentation on the war.

An excursion to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Museum in the month of December made the students aware of our rich culture and history. This year the students learnt a lot about India's contribution to world history through an exhibition entitled 'India and the World.' A guided tour of the conservation room was conducted by the head of the Conservation Department Mr Anupam Shah got a chance to see the conservation techniques being carried out on various pieces of art, sculpture, cloth, wood etc. A power point presentation was presented by him on the rich styles of art and architecture prevalent in our country and the need to preserve this rich cultural heritage.

The visit to the Reserve Bank of India's monetary museum enabled the students to learn about the history of coinage and currency notes in India. A large variety of ancient and medieval coins were seen in the museum which created interest in the study of History.

Teacher-in-charge: Ms. Eleatha Pinto

Department of Sociology

The Department conducted various activities to instil in the students love for the subject, and enable them to understand various concepts in Sociology. Various curricular and co-curricular activities were conducted in the form of role play, short skits, crosswords and quizzes on chapters pertaining to the syllabus. Power Point Presentations on topics like dowry and bride burning, Social reformers, nature of Sociology, tribal, urban and rural community, interview and observation as a method of data collection and several other were shown to the students. In order to sensitise both boys and girls about the various social issues videos and documentaries from prominent T.V. and Internet sources were screened. Video on Bride Burning. - A documentary by IBN 7, It's a Girl! - Official trailer against gender discrimination, Bell Bajao Campaign, Domestic Violence - Maitri.com, Fraternal Polyandry' Multiple Husbands' - National Geographic Channel, Child Brides 'Too Young to Wed' - National Geographic Channel, Child Marriage - Documentary by UNICEF, Documentary on 'India Untouched' (about the caste system) - Satyamev Jayate and several others were screened to highlight the current social problems in India.

Teacher-in-charge: Tania Donald

Department of Psychology

A talk on “Sexual Abuse in Children” was given in the S.Y.J.C Arts classes.

“Care to Share” a lecture devoted once every month for students who feel the

cathartic need to share any personal experiences with the rest of the class was conducted.

A talk on Alzheimer's Disease was given in the S.Y.J.C Arts classes to educate them on this condition.

A workshop on relaxation techniques was conducted in the S.Y.J.C Arts classes.

A discussion was held on psychological defence mechanisms used by people.

Teacher-in-charge: Ms. Sharmilla Menon

Department of Economics

The activities of the Economics Department commenced with a visit to the Bombay Stock Exchange. A PPT was shown on the history and functioning of the Stock Exchange later and the students got an opportunity to see the process of online trading. They found the trip fruitful and enlightening.

In the subsequent months of the academic year 2017-18 students were shown a PPT on global issues like terrorism and corruption and its effect on the economy. The students were also shown a PPT on population to highlight its adverse implications followed by a PPT on liberalization, globalization, and privatization.

The academic year ended with a trip to the RBI Monetary Museum and the Chatrapati Shivaji Museum. At the Museum students were shown a PPT on the history of evolution of money and the Reserve Bank.

The students were delighted to see rare and exquisite coins and paper currencies.

Teachers-in-charge: Dr. Sylvia Pinto, Ms. Revathi Vijjain, Ms. Nikita Lopes.

Department of Commerce

An inter-division Commerce and Business Quiz was conducted, and the students participated with great enthusiasm.

The students of Std. XII also visited the Bombay Stock Exchange with a view of getting practically acquainted with the functioning of Stock markets.

A visit to the Reserve Bank of India Monetary Museum enabled the students to learn about the history of coinage and currency notes in India. A large variety of ancient and medieval coins were seen at the museum which helped our students to learn about the various periods in Indian History.

PowerPoint Presentations on various business and commerce topics and also short movies and documentaries on stalwarts and legends in the field of business were shown to the students during the year.

Teachers-in-charge: Mr. Sunny Fernandes, Ms. Anju Verma, Mr. Bosco Fernandes, Ms. Dipti Menezes

Department of Physics

The Department of Physics organized the following activity:

Debate competition was held for the SYJC A v/s SYJC B science students on the topic: "SCIENCE V/S SPIRITUALITY". This activity was conducted on 25 July 2018 in A.V. Room

Teachers-in-charge: Mr. Frederick Arland, Mr. Harshad Patel, Ms. Archana Patil, Ms. Ashwini Gonsalves.

Department of Chemistry

1. Class XII did a Power point presentation

on the topic 'Chemistry in everyday life'

2. Class XI made charts on life of prominent scientists and their contribution in the field of Chemistry.

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Joanna Leons, Mr. Dipaksingh Deshmukh, Ms. Rajni Patil, Ms. Preethi Sequeira.

Department of Biology

• **WORLD HEPATITIS DAY** - Every year, on 28th July the world celebrates 'World Hepatitis Day'. St. Andrews College, Bandra took an initiative to celebrate this day and create awareness about this viral disease and influence real change. The students from the S.Y.J.C. Science faculty participated in this event. The students prepared various posters, charts, etc. on hepatitis, its types, symptoms, causes, etc. Students went around to each class creating awareness about viral hepatitis and informing about the symptoms, diagnosis, prevention, etc. of the disease.

The hepatitis day celebration was a great success, and we hope that their efforts bring about awareness on hepatitis.

• On 21 August the students of S.Y.J.C. Science prepared projects. The students participated individually in this event. The students prepared projects based on following topics -

- > Biotechnology
- > Genetic Engineering
- > Genomics.

Students selected any two topics and collected information from reference books, internet etc. The motive behind this activity was to provide students with extra learning and was hence a great success.

- **WORLD RABIES DAY** - Every year, on 28 September the world celebrates 'World Rabies Day'. St. Andrews College, Bandra took an initiative to celebrate this day and create awareness about this viral disease and to influence real change. The students from the F.Y.J.C. Science faculty participated in this event. The students prepared various posters, charts, etc. on rabies, its types, symptoms, causes, etc. Students went around in each class creating awareness about the rabies disease and informing about the symptoms, diagnosis, prevention, etc. of the disease.

The rabies day celebration was hence a great success.

- **WORLD HEART DAY** - Every year, on 29 September the world celebrates 'World Heart Day'. St. Andrews College, Bandra took an initiative to celebrate this day and create awareness about the health of heart and influence to follow healthy habits. The students from the S.Y.J.C. Science faculty participated in this event. The students prepared various posters, charts, etc. on cardiac diseases, its types, symptoms, causes, etc. Students went around to each class creating awareness about heart health and informing about the symptoms, diagnosis, prevention, etc. of the cardiac diseases. Students also demonstrated first aid treatment given to a person in case of a heart attack.

The heart day celebration was a great success.

- **WORLD PNEUMONIA DAY** - Every year, on 12 November the world celebrates 'World Pneumonia Day'. St. Andrews College, Bandra took an initiative to celebrate this day on 13 November and create awareness about this disease and influence real

change. The students from the F.Y.J.C. Science faculty participated in this event. The students prepared various posters, charts, etc. on pneumonia, its types, symptoms, causes, etc. Students went around to each class creating awareness about pneumonia and informing about the symptoms, diagnosis, prevention, etc. of the disease. The pneumonia day celebration was hence a great success.

- **WORLD DIABETES DAY** - Every year, on 14 November the world celebrates 'World Diabetes Day'. St. Andrews College, Bandra took an initiative to celebrate this day and create awareness about this disorder and influence real change. The students from the F.Y.J.C. Science faculty participated in this event. The students prepared various posters, charts, etc. on diabetes, its types, symptoms, causes, etc. Students went around in each class creating awareness about the diabetes and informing about the symptoms, diagnosis, prevention, etc. of the disease. The diabetes day celebration was a great success.

- **PCOS Awareness & Education Program** - An organization named "Young Concept Wellness" came up with an education program addressing the issues related to health and PCOS among young girls. The one day session was attended by girls from FYJC Arts/Science/Commerce. The program was conducted by the chief guest Dr. Mansi .A. Medhekar. Dr. Mansi Medhekar is a trained Obstetrician and Gynecologist.

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Manisha Chabukswar, Ms. Dipakshi Patankar, Ms. Jessica Gonsalves.

Department of Mathematics

- Guest Lecture on career guidance in different fields of mathematics was

conducted by Abhishek Sood for S.Y.J.C. Commerce students on 24th, 25th and 26th July, 2017 for all three divisions. The students were present in large number and appreciated the knowledge derived from the session.

- Power Point Presentation competition on “MATHS AND TECHNOLOGY” was conducted for S.Y.J.C. on 7th August, 2017 for the Science students. Students actively participated in groups and three group were awarded as the best presentations.
- Skit based on the topic “Commission, Brokerage and Discount” was performed by the SYJC Commerce students on 5th August, 2017. The students brought out the concept well by enacting the daily life examples which lead to better understanding of the concept.
- A video on 'Mathematics - Language of the Universe' was viewed by SYJC Commerce and Science students on 29th July and 11th July, 2017 respectively. Students were keen on listening and were amazed to know how mathematics is all over the universe and it's a part of various aspects of nature.
- Survey on “Importance of Maths in different fields” was conducted for FYJC students on 13th November, 2017.

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Payal Meghani, Ms. Ratika D'cunha, Ms. Yasmeen Khan, Ms. Jennifer Dmello

Department of Information Technology

- PowerPoint presentation for XII Arts/Science /Commerce on the following topics:-

- a) Cyber-attacks /crimes (ransomware)
- b) Scope of touch screen devices
- c) Using iPhone as more than a phone

- Quiz Competition for students of XI & XII Arts/Science/Commerce based on computer technology.
- Activities like crossword puzzle and scramble for XI Arts/Science /Commerce students.

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Rosel Rodrigues, Mr. Samir Ankalikar

Department of Computer Science

1. A web page designing competition was held for SYJC computer science students in July 2017
2. A Sudoku competition was held for FYJC computer science students in February 2018

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Joan D'mello, Ms. Nisha D'souza

Department of EVS

1. International Tiger Day Celebration:
 - Poster Making Competition theme “Save Tiger”
 - Movie “Two Brothers” shown to students.
 - A visit of Tiger (dramatization) in each class
2. A Nature visit to Keshav Shristi at Uttan
3. Seminar conducted on tetra pack recycle by NGO “RUR”.
4. Rally to Carter Road Promenade “Save Mangroves”.

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Preethi Sequeira, Ms. Dipti Menezes, Ms. Elaine Almeida

Co-curricular Activities Report

College Elocution

The College Elocution Competition was held on Monday, 18 September 2017 at 12:30 p.m. in Room no. G1. Students from FYJC and SYJC classes enthusiastically participated in the competition.

Topics for the event were: 'Terrorism: A Menace', 'Taken Over by Computer Games' and 'Things I Can't Live Without'.

The following students won at the event:

First Prize : Priyanka Valles
(SYJC Commerce)

Second Prize : Nerisa Silveira
(SYJC Commerce)

Third Prize : Faaiza Khan
(FYJC Commerce)

Consolation Prize : Sasha Gonsalves
(FYJC Arts)

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Sweetie Fernandes, Ms. Eleatha Pinto, Ms. Anju Verma and Ms. Dipti Menezes.

English Essay Writing Competition

An English essay writing competition was conducted. The topics for the competition were:

- i) If I Were A Celebrity
- ii) Social Networking Sites: The New Drug in Teen Town
- iii) That's Why it's The Most Memorable Day of My Life

The winners were :

1st prize : Valynn Lobo

2nd prize : Andrea Cutinho

3rd prize : Johanna Shruti Bhalla

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Elaine Almeida, Ms. Swati Sawant.

The Annual Debate

The inter faculty Debate Competition was conducted on 24 January 2018. The topic for the debate was "Indians should stay in their motherland for education and employment".

The students of XI Arts formed the proposition team and the XI Commerce the opposition team. The topic was keenly debated and well presented. Both the teams were evenly matched and made strong convincing argument.

Each team comprised of 10 participants. The proposition team emerged victorious. Ms. Trisha Serrao with her excellent refutation and persuasive skills walked away with the Best Speaker Award.

The judges at the competition were Ms. Neenul (French Dept.) & Ms. Joan D'mello (CS Dept.)

The organizing committee: Ms. Ruby James, Ms. Rosel Rodrigues, Ms. Ratika D'cuhna

In- house Science Exhibition Cum Poster Competition 2017-18

In-house Science Exhibition cum Poster Competition was held on December 2, 2017

The theme for the exhibition was 'Science and Technology for Global Sustainability and Peace in World'

There were three categories (I) Working Model (ii) Non-working Model (iii) Poster Competition

For working model total 17 teams participated and it was displayed in the Physics laboratory

Winners for working models:

First prize: - Techtric Model prepared by Kavita Sharma, Nuzhat Khan and Sawni Awarthi.

Second prize: - Walking into electricity prepared by Rupali Pandit, Gladwin Alwa, Cleophas Sampai

Third prize: - Agriculture and yield sustainability prepared by Nisha Ghosh, Namira Khan, Shivangi Verma, Esha Tirkha.

For non-working model total 10 teams participated and it was displayed in the Physics laboratory.

Winners for non-working models:

First prize: - Renewable energy prepared by Velencia Barretta, Keith D'Souza, and Carol Rodrigues.

For poster competition total 28 teams participated and it was displayed in the Biology laboratory

Winners for poster competition:

First prize: - Renewable energy and sustainable development prepared by Alvito D'Souza, Rayan Gaikwad, Yogesh Sharma, Vineet Gujetti.

Second prize: -Health, Nutrition and cleanliness prepared by Solanki Vineit, Daryl Saldanha, Justin D'Souza, Sonu Yadav.

Third prize; - Health and Nutrition

prepared by Angel Metre, Rochelle Koli, Celsia Charles, Snehal Bhilare.

The judges were Mr. Niraj Shukla from B.Sc IT, Ms. Sarvani (Co ordinator B.Sc IT), Mr. Abhishek Sood (Co ordinator BAF) The Junior College judges were Mr. Dipaksing Deshmukh, Ms. Joanna Leons, and Ms. Payal Meghani.

The event was compered by Vice Principal Ms. Frederick Arland who took active part in this exhibition .Principal Dr, Marie Fernandes motivated the students with an inspiring speech

The event ended with the chairperson Ms. Deepaxi Patankar's vote of thanks. She thanked all for their contribution in making the event a grand success. She expressed her gratitude to the Principal and Vice Principal for their support and encouragement and thanked all the science teachers profoundly.. She also expressed her thankfulness towards students who were very heard working, cooperative and talented.

Teachers in charge: Ms. Deepaxi Patankar (Chairperson), all Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Maths, I.T and Computer Science Professors

1) Annual Hindi/Marathi Essay Competition was conducted on 23rd Sep 2017.

In the Annual Hindi/Marathi Essay competition the topics were related to contemporary issues eg. Gender equality, importance of water- religious perspective, personal experiences like childhood memories and the first teacher of our life-mother.

Following students were declared

winners from large number of essays.

HINDI

First : Lavina Fernandes XII B SCI
Second : Prabha Singh XI A SCI
Third : Adiba Qureshi XI B SCI

Teacher-in-Charge: Ms. Elcy Pinto.

MARATHI

First : Bhumishta Bhadsavle XII A SCI
Second : Prabha Singh XI A SCI
Third : Rochelle Dias XI B ARTS

Prof-in-Charge: Swati Sawant.

2) Human Rights Day—11th December 2017

Poster Making Competition was conducted to promote awareness of social issues among students of XI and XII standard. Students made posters on various topics like fundamental rights, equality, justice, freedom, education and others which included women rights, child rights. There was good response for participation of poster making competition.

Teacher-in-Charge: Ms. Elcy Pinto.

3) Annual Quiz Competition:-29th Sep, 2017.

Annual Quiz Competition was held on 29th Sep, 2017 for Junior College students. The competition consisted of two rounds. More than 70 students participated in the quiz. The questions were from various fields eg. Technology, Medicine, Film, Literature, Science, Music, Arts, Space and many more. The competition was well received by participants and audience.

The winners were:-

- Group 1) Kavita Sharma XII B SCI
Kenneth Gonsalves XII B SCI
- Group 2) Samson Mendonca XII B SCI

Cristan Menezes XII B SCI
Rayan D'souza XI A COM

- Group 3) Abhishek Vasin XII B SCI
Rehan Khan XI B SCI

Teachers-in-charge: Ms. Elcy Pinto, Ms. Yasmin Khan, Ms. Joan D'mello.

Hindi Day-14 Sep 2017

Every year college celebrates Hindi Divas. St. Andrews College celebrated the Hindi Day on 14th September, 2017. The students participated enthusiastically in number of activities organised by the Hindi Department. Students participated in Elocution competition based on the lives and contribution of great personalities of Hindi Literature. Some students explained medieval Hindi Literature related to famous and ancient poets' perspectives in the classroom. The activities also involved discussion on importance of Hindi Literature and also the role of Hindi Language in communication in the country both as official and also local use.

Teachers-in-Charge: Ms. Swati Sawant and Ms. Elcy Pinto.

Value Education Programme

The aim of the Value Education Programme is to create self-awareness and develop the personality of every student. Keeping this objective in mind, the topics touched by the resource persons were Peer pressure, Communication, Conflict Management, Cigarette, Alcohol and Drug Addiction and Personality Development.

During these sessions, the students were made aware about their careers, the qualifications required etc.

The programme began in July 2017 for

S.Y.J.C. and in September 2017 for students of Std. XI. The resource people were- Mr. Aubrey Menezes & the Snehalaya team and Kripa Foundation for F.Y.J.C. and S.Y.J.C.

Teacher-in-charge: Ms. Bosco Fernandes

The French National Day celebrations on 14th July 2017

- The students of standard XII who have French as their optional language put together a wonderful show about the French Revolution. This skit highlighted the significance of the “Storming of the Bastille”. A historic event for France!

- The students sang French songs and spoke about the French Revolution, French culture, gastronomy, artists, festivals, education etc. through engaging PowerPoint presentation. It further educated the students about the ancient history of France and motivated them to pursue their passion for the language in the future.

Teacher-in-Charge: Ms. Neenul Marolia

Workshop

A workshop on communication, an important tool of creativity was conducted by Ms. Kajali Raina for the M.Com students.

We all know J.K. Rowling's story already, but that doesn't make it any less inspiring. She was as "poor as it is possible to be in modern Britain, without being homeless." She was a single mother with no job, living on welfare and struggling with clinical depression. Still, Rowling would take her infant daughter to coffee shops and write, and in 1995, she finished the manuscript for Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone... which was immediately rejected by twelve publishers. Bloomsbury finally accepted the book, but warned her not to quit her day job, since it probably wouldn't make much money.

Inter-Collegiate Cultural Activities

Sr. No.	Name of the College	Details of the Activities/ Event	Details of Prizes won
1.	Chetna college	Quiz Competition	2 students Went up to the final round
2.	Usha Pravin Gandhi college	Workshop -Film ,dance, public speaking , poetry, lyrics, tall tales, panel discussion, written literature, theatre, music	100 students registered
3.	Lala Lajpatrai	Group dance	2 nd prize
4.	Lala Lajpatrai	Quiz	1 st prize
5.	Lala Lajpatrai	Solo Dance	2 nd prize
6.	Vivek College	Elocution	1 st prize
7.	Mithibai	Logo Designing	1 st prize
8.	NAEMD	Josh Dance	Third prize
9.	NAEMD	Personality Competition	Second prize
10.	Anti-Dowry association	Essay Writing	Merit List
11.	St. Andrews College (Aura)	Aura Split Personality	First, second & third prize
12.	St. Andrews College (Aura)	Solo singing Duet singing	Second prize
13.	St. Andrews College (Aura)	Group dance Nail art	Third Prize Second Prize
14.	St. Andrews College (Aura)	Solo dance	First Prize
15.	St. Andrews college (Aura)	Street play	Second Prize
16.	Ritumbara College	Group dance	Third Prize
17.	Thakur College	Doodle	First Prize
		War of CL and ACL	Second Prize
18.	Saraf College	Elocution	College Trophy
19.	MMK College	Duet Dance	Second Prize
20.	Vidya Vikas College	Mehndi	Second Prize
21.	Workshop By Film Director Onir	Film Making	Certificate Course

Teacher in-charge: Ms. Kajali Raina.

Students in-charge: College leaders- Warren Romer, Rhea Dhontul, Jyoti Singh, Aarshi Khan, Kirtika Sharma & Pramila Paul.

List of Inter-Collegiate Science Activities 2017-18

Sr. No.	Name of the College	Details of the Activities/ Event	Details of Prizes won
1.	Mithibai College, Vile parle, mumbai	Luminescence 2017 activities 1. Loud and Clear 2. Bend the Trend 3. Shutters up 4. Science Quiz 5. Your ideas matter 6. Logo lego	1. Loud and Clear Four students got Consolation prizes 2. Your Ideas Matter Two students got Second prize and two medals Two students got Third prize and two medals 3. Bend the Trend Two students got Second prize and two medals 26 students got participation certificate.
2.	Nirmala Niketan College Mumbai.	Out of the Box 2017 1. D.I.Y Tee 2. Tattoo Designing 3. Tote Bag Painting 4. Best Out Of Waste 5. Pebble Painting 6. Doodle Art	1. Doodle Art & Pebble Painting Jason and Ashbelle won second prize and trophy 2. D.I.Y. Tee Abizer won first prize and got a certificate.
3.	Wilson's College, Charni Road, Mumbai	BIOMOSAIC 2017 1. Survival of the fittest 2. Shutterbug 3. Compose of the chaos 4. Inquisitive 5. Bubble Blah	1. Survival of the Fittest Rithik D'Souza won first prize and a trophy. 2. Shutterbug Jason Rodrigues won first prize and a trophy. 12 Students got participation certificate.
4.	VidyaVikas Universal College, Malad (W) Mumbai.	SCIENCE BUZZ 2017 1. Crazy Marketing 2. Microbial Fuel Cell Project	1. Crazy Marketing Ambika Negi won 2 nd prize and trophy. 6 students got participation certificate.
5.	Ratnam College, Bhandup Mumbai.	Sci- Spectrum 2017 1. Sci talk 2. Magic 3. Paint your imagination 4. Crack the code 5. Knock Your knowledge	1. Science Talk Afroz Rehman and Pranita Sawant won third prize and a trophy. 2. Crack the Code Anthony Fernandes won second prize and a trophy.

Sr. No.	Name of the College	Details of the Activities/ Event	Details of Prizes won
6.	Indian Maritime University, Mumbai Fort	Science Quiz	2 students got participation certificate. Pranita Sawant Jason
7.	The B. S. G. Ds' junior college of Commerce, Arts,& Science. Malad.	OJAS;17 Inter collegiate science exhibition and commerce aura of scientific minds	Ambika Negi won First prize and trophy. 6 students got participation certificate
8.	Thakur College of Science & Commerce Kandiwali. Mumbai	Vigyaan-17 Inter collegiate Science Exhibition and Poster Competition. working model non-working model Poster competition.	Second prize and cash prize in non working model 6 students got participation certificate in Working Model 3 students got participation certificate in Poster Competition
9.	Education Department (west Zone) H-ward	Innovations for Sustainable Development Science Exhibition	First prize and trophy. Kavita Sharma Sawni Awathi
10.	St. Andrew's College Bandra(W) Mumbai-50	Innovations For Sustainable Development Science Exhibition Working Model Non-working Model Poster Competition	Second prize in non working model Keath D'souza Valientia Fernanades Kavita Sharma, Sawni Awathi Jennifer D'souza, Alvito 6 students got participation certificate.
11.	Amity Global Business school Malad (W) Mumbai.	"KUSHAGRA" Inter School and Junior College Quiz Competition	First ,second and Third Prize and Trophy
12.	Education Department (west Zone) District Level	Innovations For Sustainable Development Science Exhibition	Participation Certificate Kavita Sharma Sawni Awathi
13.	R. D. National College Bandra Mumbai	Teslafizzcs Science Exhibition Science Quiz Canvas Painting	First Prize Gold Medal in Piktotesla Participation Certificate in Science Exhibition Science Quiz

Prof-in-Charge: Deepak Singh Deshmukh

INTER - COLLEGIATE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES



Theatre Workshop at Sophia College



Trophy for Josh Dance Competition



International Dance Competition



College Trophy at Lala Rajpatrai



Amity Quiz



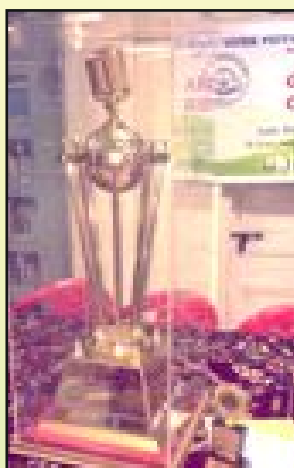
Musical Concert Winners



Inter - Collegiate
Best Dancer
Niraj Patel
FYJC



Inter - Collegiate
Best Actress
Aarshi Khan
FYJC



Rotating Trophy at
Inter Collegiate
Elocution Contest
Rachel Mathew



Rachel Mathew
SYJC
Best Speaker

WINNERS - STREET PLAY



AURA



Science Exhibition



Heart Day



Educational Excursion - Department of Economics



Educational Excursion - Department of Economics



College Elocution Contest



Inter-Collegiate Elocution Competition



World Pneumonia Day



Rabies Day



World Hepatitis Day



Annual Debate Competition



PCOS Programme



Web Page Designing Competition



PPT Competition – Department of Mathematics



Skit Competition – Department of Mathematics



SUDOKU Competition
Department of Computer Science



INTER - COLLEGIATE SCIENCE COMPETITION



Mithibai College Winners



Amity Quiz winners



H ward winners



Ratnam College Bhandup



Vidyavikas College Kandivali



St Andrew's college



Orientation Day



Preserving Our Mangroves – Department of EVS



Tiger Day – Department of EVS



Christmas Celebrations



Talent Hunt Day



Human Rights Day



Annual Quiz Competition



Essay Writing Competition

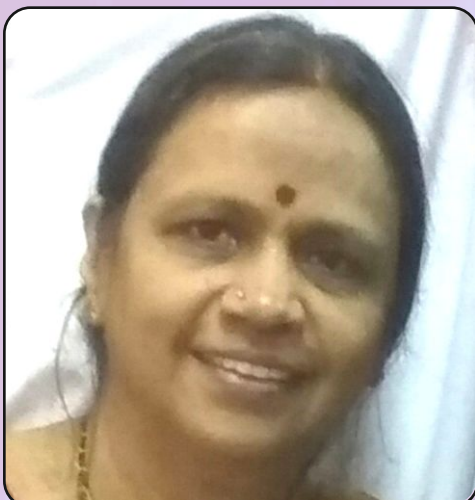


Hindi Day



HINDI DIWAS

AU REVOIR



This year we bade farewell to our colleague **Revathi Vijayan** [Economics Department, Junior College] as she retired from service, in February 2018. We thank her for her dedicated service of 16 years and wish her a happy and healthy retired life.

PRIZE WINNERS



Rachel Mathew
SYJC Arts
Best Student – Girl



Reevan D'Souza
SYJC Science
Best Student - Boy



Adnan Allauddin Shaikh
Best Sportsman



Karen Pais
Best Sportswoman

PRIZE WINNERS



Dsouza Cimrel Collin
Highest Marks in Arts [Boards]
84.31%



Dsouza Ashley Agnelo
Highest Marks in Science [Boards]
87.08 %



Dsa Erick Augustine
Highest Marks in Commerce [Boards]
88.62 %



Mehra Ruchi Shivsine
Highest Marks in Commerce [Boards]
88.62 %

PRIZE WINNERS



Rebello Shawn Steven
Highest Marks in Commerce [Boards]
88.62 %



Dontul Rhea Shrinivas
Leadership & Academic Excellence - Arts



Bhadsavle Rahul Bhumishtha
Leadership & Academic Excellence - Science



Serrao Trisha Raul
Leadership & Academic Excellence - Commerce

Inter-collegiate Activities

Inter-collegiate Science Exhibition cum Poster Competition 2017-18

Techno-science Galaxy 2017

Inter-college Science Exhibition cum Poster Competition was held on December 8, 2017. The theme for the exhibition was “Science and Technology for Global Sustainability and Peace in World”

The event began with lighting of the traditional lamp by our Rector Rev. Fr. Magi Murzello, Principal Dr. Marie Fernandes, Vice Principal Prof. Frederick Arland and other dignitaries.

Our Rector and the Principal then addressed all gathered. The event was compared by Our Vice Principal.

There are three categories: (i) Working model (ii) Nonworking model (iii) Poster competition For working model category total 20 colleges had participated.

Winners for working models:

First prize : R. J. Zhunjhunwala College for model farming management.

Second prize : Nirmala Memorial foundation for model Eco Cleaner.

Third prize : Jai Hind College for model Smart bag.

Consolation prize: National Sarvodaya College for model Vak track

For Non-working model category total 14

colleges had participated

Winners for non-working models:

First prize : Sheth G. H College for model Organ Donation.

Second prize : St Andrew's College for model Bio-electric Generation.

Third prize : Thakur Vidya Mandir for model Carbon Absorber.

Consolation prize: Mithibai college for model One mission zero emission.

For Poster Competition category total 18 colleges had participated.

Winners for poster competitions:

First prize : Thakur Vidya Mandir for Litre of light.

Second prize : N.K.T college for Health, nutrition and cleanliness.

Third prize : Swami vivekanand college for Solid waste management.

Consolation prize : S.K Somaiya college for Agriculture and yield sustainability.

The judges were Prof. Shriang Joshi (Dept. of Pharmaceutical science ICT)

Dr. Parag Nemade (Asst professor dept. chemical engineering ICT)

Prof. S. Parida (Asst. professor metallurgical engineering IIT Bombay)

Prof. Pravin More (Dept. of physics, The institute of science)

The event ended, with the chair person Prof. Deepaxi Patankar's vote of thanks.

Teachers-in-charge: Deepaxi Patankar (Chairperson), Faculty from Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, Information Technology, and Computer Science teachers.

Your Words Worth It '17

The Inter-Collegiate English Elocution Competition 'Your Words Worth It' was held on December 14, 2017 in the AV Room at

12:00 p.m. Fifteen colleges participated in the event. The winners were:

First Prize : Kareena Parekh
(H.R. College)

Second Prize : Aaron Shobby
(St. Mary's Jr. College)

Third Prize : Priyanka Valles
(St. Andrew's College)

Teachers-in-Charge: Ms. Sweetie Fernandes, Ms. Eleatha Pinto, Ms. Anju Verma, Ms. Dipti Menezes

In a rural area a farmer was tending to his horse named Buddy, and along came a stranger who desperately needed the farmer's help. The stranger had lost control of his vehicle and ran it off into a ditch. The stranger asked the farmer if his horse could somehow pull the vehicle out of the ditch for him and told the farmer that the vehicle was small. The farmer said he would come, bring his horse, and take a look, but could not promise he could help if his horse might be injured in some way from attempting to pull the vehicle out of the ditch.

The farmer did see that the stranger was correct and that the vehicle was small, so the farmer took a rope and fixed it so that his horse, Buddy, would be able to pull the vehicle out of the ditch. The farmer then said, "Pull, Casey, Pull," but the horse would not budge. The farmer then said, "Pull, Bailey, Pull," but the horse would not budge again. The farmer then said, "Pull, Mandy, Pull," and again the horse would not move. The farmer then said, "Pull, Buddy, Pull," and the horse pulled until the vehicle was out of the ditch.

The stranger was so very grateful, but asked the farmer why he called the horse by different names? The farmer said, "Buddy is blind, and I had to make him think he had help pulling the car out of the ditch or he would not have pulled."

Junior College Sports Report

Sports	Organized By	Level			
		Inter- Collegiate	State	National	International
		Mumbai Suburban District/Division	Inter Division State Tournament	Students Palyed for Maharashtra at National	Students Played for India at International
BOXING U/19 BOYS	Government of Maharashtra	Adnan Allauddin Shaikh XII A Science selected to represent Mumbai District at U/19 District Judo Championship 2017-2018 secured GOLD Medal.	Adnan Allauddin Shaikh XII A Science selected to represented Mumbai Division at Inter Division State . U/19 State Judo Championship 2017-2018 held at Nasik where he secured GOLD Medal.	Adnan Allauddin Shaikh XII A Science selected to play represented Maharashtra 63 rd National School Games 2017-18 held at Rewa, Madhya Pradesh. for Maharashtra he secured GOLD Medal.	Adnan Allauddin Shaikh XII A Science also represent Maharashtra at National School Games Khelo India 2018-19 held in Delhi where he won a GOLD MEDAL for Maharashtra State
HANDBALL U/19 BOYS	Government of Maharashtra AND Telangana State Handball			1.Naresh Bohara XII C Com. 2.Tyson Patel XII A Science Selected to play for Maharashtra at U19 Boys National Handball Association Tournament 2017-18 Held at Siddhipet, Telangana.	
Shikai Marshal Arts BOYS U/19	Government of Maharashtra			Matin Ansari XII A Sci. Represented Mumbai Division at state Shikai Marshal Arts Championship 2017-18 held at Nagpur.	
CRICKET U/19 BOYS	Government of Maharashtra	Participated	Pawan Chaulkar XII A Sci played MCA Kanga League Tournament 2017-18.		
FOOTBALL U/19 GIRLS	Government of Maharashtra	CHAMPIONS	SILVER MEDALIST	Anna Fernandes XI B Arts represented Mumbai District in the Inter District Girls Sub Junior Football Championship 2017-18 held at Shirpur, Dhule.	

				<p>She also represented Andhra Pradesh at All India Football Federation Tournament 2017-2018.</p> <p>Rhea D'costa XI B Arts represented Andhra Pradesh at Oorja Cup Youth U/19 Football Talent Hunt Tournament 2017-18. Held at Bengaluru, Karnatak</p>	
FOOTBALL U/19 BOYS	Government of Maharashtra	RUNNERS UP	-----	<p>The following Boys were selected to play for Hero I- League Football Tournament 2017-18 held at Mumbai</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Yash Trimbakkar XI Ccom 2.Madhav Modak XI Com 3.Tyson Patel XII A Sci 4.Fabian Anthony XII C Com 5.Shervin Fernandes XI A Com Marc 6.Mendonca XII A Com 	
FOOTBALL SUBRATO MUKHARJEE U/17 BOYS	Government of Maharashtra	WINNERS	Represented MUMBAI SUBURBAN DISTRICT at Divisional Level Football Championship 2017-18 held at Ulwe, Raigad	-----	-----
HOCKEY U/19 GIRLS	Government of Maharashtra	WINNERS	Represented MUMBAI SUBURBAN DISTRICT at Divisional Level U/19 Girls Hockey Tournament 2017-18 held at SAI, MUMBAI	Jessica Fernandes XII B Arts represented Mumbai at 7 th Hockey India Senior National Championship 2017 held at Rohtak, Hariyana.	

TEAM PRIZES

Football



U/19 Girls Football Team were declared **champions** of Mumbai Sub-urban District at U-19 Girls Divisional Football Tournament 2017-18.

They were also declared Silver Medalists at City Champions of Reliance Foundation Youth Sports School Football 2017-18.

Karen Pais XII B Commerce & Florian Pereira XI B Arts.



U-17 Boys Football Team was declared Runners-up of Mumbai Suburban District at the U-17 Boys Subroto Mukherjee Football Cup with the Captain Naresh Bohara XII C Commerce.

Hockey



U/17 Boys Hockey Team was declared champions of Mumbai Sub-urban District at U/17 Boys Nehru Hockey Cup Divisional Hockey Tournament 2017-18 held at SAI with the Captain Marvin Pereira XI B Com.



U/19 Hockey Team participated in the U-19 Girls Divisional Hockey Tournament 2017-18 held at SAI where they won the Silver Medal with the Captain Jesicca Fernandes XII Arts.

Basketball



U/19 Basketball Team was declared Runners up of MUMBAI Suburban District at U-19 Girls Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament 2017-2018. held at GhatkoparYMCA with the Captain Shonotra Dhumal XII Arts.



International Yoga Day June 21, 2017



Maharashtra Mission One Million (Football Fever) September 15, 2017



Women Empowerment Program March 1, 2018



Sports Directors Ms J. D'Souza and Mr. R. More with Principal and Vice Principal Saudamini Bhagwat

SPORTS DAY



Racing for the Finishing Line



Yobics: Blend of Yoga and Aerobics
(A pathway for mental and physical fitness)



March Past Squad (Junior College)



Teaching and Non- Teaching Staff Event - Happy feet....!!!! Ready to run, hunt and eat....



University of Mumbai: Inter-Collegiate Tournament
CHAMPIONS 2017-18 (Women's Football)



University of Mumbai: Inter-Collegiate Tournament
BRONZE MEDALIST 2017-18
(Women's Hockey)



HOCKEY: CHRYSHELLE FERNANDES

(F.Y.BA) Represented the Mumbai Team for the 7th Senior National Hockey(W) Championship held at Rohtak, Haryana



BASKETBALL: NIKHIL MONTEIRO

(F.Y.BMS) Represented Mumbai for the Under 18 (Boys) 68th Inter District State Championship, organized by Maharashtra State Basketball Association held at Balewadi, Pune. The team won the Second Place at the State Level.



ATHLETICS: Seneilla Demello

(F.Y.BA) Participated in the 1st Reliance Foundation Youth Sports (Athletics) for the year 2017-18 and won the silver medal in 400 & 800 Events in the College Girl's category.



Most Outstanding Sportsman of the Year award:
Scott Moraes - T.Y.BMS.



Most Outstanding Sportswoman of the Year award:
Delfiya Pereira
T.Y.BA



Principal A. D. Mascarenhas Awards- Excellence in Academic and Sports (combined) in first year
Pauls Benny - S. Y. BCOM

JUNIOR COLLEGE SPORTS STARS

Football

Anna Fernandes XI B Arts represented Mumbai District in the Inter District Girls Sub Junior Football Championship 2017-18 held at Shirpur, Dhule.



Anna Fernandes
XI B Arts

Rhea D'costa XI B Arts represented Andhra Pradesh at Oorja Cup Youth U/19 Football Talent Hunt Tournament 2017-18. held at Bengaluru, Karnataka. She also represented Andhra Pradesh at the All-India Football Federation Tournament 2017-2018.



Rhea D'costa
XI B Arts

The following girls played for the I-League Qualifiers Tournament 2017-18 held at Delhi and Mumbai. They are:-



Danica Coelho
XII A Arts



Karen Pais
XII B Com

The following boys were selected to play for the Hero I- League Football Tournament 2017-18 held at Mumbai :



Yash Trimbakkar
XII C Com



Madhav Modak
XI Com



Tyson Patel
XII A Sci



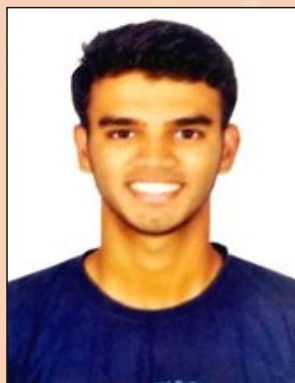
Fabian Anthony
XII C Com



Shervin Fernandes
XI ACom



Marc Mendonca
XII A Com



Marc Mendonca also played for the
Oorja All India Football Cup
held at Uran.

Jessica Fernandes XII B Arts
represented Mumbai at the 7th
Hockey India Senior National
Championship 2017 held at
Rohtak, Haryana.

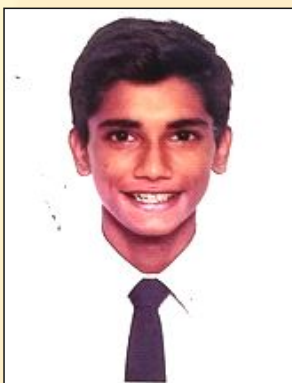


Hockey

The following boys were selected to play for the 7th Hockey India Sub Junior National Championship held at **Bengaluru, Karnataka.**



Josiah Noronha
XI B Com



Marvin Pereira
XI B Com



Rahul Patel
XI A Commerce

Handball

The following boys were selected to play for Maharashtra at the U19 Boys National Handball Tournament held at Siddhipet, Telangana.



Naresh Bohara
XII C Com.



Tyson Patel
XII A Sci

Judo

Adnan Allauddin Shaikh XII A Science was selected to represent the Mumbai Division at the U/19 State Judo Championship 2017-2018 held at Nasik where he secured the GOLD Medal.

He represented Maharashtra at the 63rd National School Games 20017-18 held at Rewa, Madhya Pradesh.

He also represented Maharashtra at the National School Games Khelo India 2018-19 held in Delhi where he won a GOLD MEDAL for the State of Maharashtra.



Shikai Marshal Arts



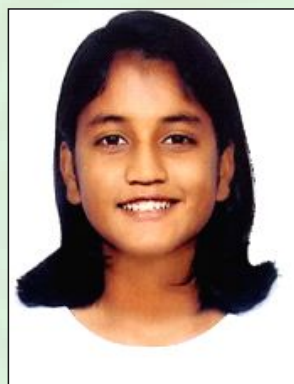
PawanChaulkar XII A Sci
played at the MCA Kanga League
Tournament 2017-18.



Matin Ansari XII A Sci.
represented Mumbai Division at the state
Shikai Marshal Arts Championship
2017-18 held at Nagpur.



Most Outstanding Sportsman of the
Year award to
Adnan Allauddin Shaikh
XII A Science



Most Outstanding Sportswoman
of the Year award
Karen Pais
XII B Commerce



Principal Prof. A. D. Mascarenhas Award for Excellence in
Academics and Sports (combined)
Sweety Barretto
XII A Commerce.

SAD DEMISE



We regret to announce the sad demise of our student **Glenn D'Souza** from F.Y.J.C Commerce. May his soul rest in peace.



We regret to announce the sad demise of our student Navin Fernandes from F.Y.J.C Science. May his soul rest in peace.

HOCKEY U/17 NEHRU HOCKEY	Government of Maharashtra	Participated	-----	The following Boys were selected to play for 7 th Hockey India Sub Junior National Championship held at Bengaluru, Karnataka. They are:- 1. Josiah Noronha XI B Com 2. Marvin Pereira XI B Com 3. Rahul Patel XI A Commerce	
VOLLEY BALL U/19 GIRLS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
VOLLEY BALL U/19 GIRLS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
THROW BALL GIRLS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
BADMINTON BOYS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
BADMINTON GIRLS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
LAWN TENNIS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
CARROM BOYS	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	
CARROM GIRL	Government of Maharashtra	PARTICIPATED	-----	-----	

Teacher-in-Charge : Mr. More.

SEMINAR

The Junior College Teachers presented papers at a seminar that stretched on for two days. Each teacher displayed their excellence while presenting their topics.

SEMINAR HELD ON			
24 th APRIL 2018 VENUE : A.V ROOM			
SR. NO	NAME	DEPARTMENT	TOPIC
1	Ashiwini Gonsalves	Physics	Physics in daily life
2	Jessica Gonsalves	Biology	Aurevedic plants
3	Jennifer D'Mello	Mathematics	Trigonometry
4	Nisha D'Souza	Computer Science	Bio metrics
5	Nikita Lopes	Economics	Scams
6	Dipti Menezes	Commerce	Let your money earn money
SEMINAR HELD ON			
25 th APRIL 2018 VENUE : A .V ROOM			
SR. NO	NAME	DEPARTMENT	TOPIC
1	Elaine Almeida	English	Movies as an Educational Tool.
2	Bosco Fernandes	Commerce	Managing Stress at Workplace.
3	Sunny Fernandes	Commerce	Concept of CSR
4	Neenul Marolia	French	Story of France
5	Yasmeen Khan	Maths	Roman Numerals
6	Rosselle Gonsalves	I T	Android Apps

Voices in Prose

MONKEY BUSINESS: 7 Laws of the Jungle for Becoming the Best of the Bunch

by Sandy Wight, Mick Hager and Steve Tyink

“Treating customers and co-workers exceedingly well is the secret to business success.” This line from *Monkey Business* highlights ways to make businesses successful through the main stakeholders of the business i.e. its employees and its customers. Though it sounds very clichéd, it is the most overlooked area of business, and is taken for granted. We see many businesses not surviving in the market and going through the decline stage. The main reason is that consumer interest in products wane and key employees depart. In this book, the “Leader” of the monkey world strives to create a “Customer-Centric Company” by delivering the best bananas to his customers.

Monkey Business verbalizes how “employee-focused and customer-focused behaviours would give the business a distinct competitive advantage over others”. The main focus is creating a great customer experience by understanding customers' expectations, and striving to meet them, as also on hiring and developing accountable employees for meeting these extremely high service standards. Moreover, employees must be offered exciting challenges to keep them motivated and engaged, and must also be given clear-cut goals and expectations and feedback on their performance.

The '7 Laws of the Jungle' is a set of simple, straightforward and powerful policies that focus on creating loyal, and lasting

relationships with employees and customers through memorable experiences so as to connect with them emotionally:

1. Establish Your Rock - Rock is the company's promise to the employees and employees' promise to the customers.
2. Create Your Value Vine - Value is how customers feel. They might forget what you said but they'll never forget how you made them feel.
3. Live the Exclamation Factor!- Consistently surprise and delight the customers to make them come back again and again.
4. Set Your Customer Connection Points- Create the Golden Connection by giving memorable experiences and connecting with customers emotionally.
5. MMFI (Make Me Feel Important)- Everyone wants to feel valued and appreciated. Employees and customers need attention and respect, so go give it to them.
6. Take Full Responsibility for Our Customers- Own our customers' problems, requests and complaints.
7. Use the Energy Advantage! - Give energy! Don't take it.

The book stresses the need to create the best place to work to attract and retain top talent while simultaneously delighting customers. Attention must also be paid to 'Building Strong Relationships', 'Giving Back to the Community', and 'Creativity and Giving the Best'. It encourages women to take leadership positions because it gives a distinct advantage to have someone with nurturing, relationship-building qualities.

In my own opinion as an avid reader, this book contains all the essential business principles needed in today's business world. The book talks about maintaining long lasting relationships with employees and customers as the crucial aspect that differentiate one's brand from the rest. The book is an easy read, and also uses a light-hearted approach by involving animal characters to remind us about the very basics of business needed in the contemporary world. It is a refreshing read because it has humour and puns in place.

Janisha Santhmayor
T.Y.B.M.S.

The Wonder of *WONDER*

You might have seen a newspaper advertisement or a trailer here and there, or maybe you watched the movie itself. I have, however, decided to review the book *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio instead of the movie simply because the movie was an adaptation of the book. And a pretty good one at that.

The novel's 'blurb' or synopsis gives a general idea about the book: "My name is August. I won't describe what I look like. Whatever you're thinking, it's probably worse." August Pullman, due to a facial deformity, has been homeschooled by his mother. Little kids scream when they see him. Older kids make fun of him and call him a freak. However, his world is about to change when he finally goes to a mainstream school. A school where children could stare and bully. Imagine the horror. However, it would seem that these school-goers are capable of more. The journey made with *Wonder* has the power to move hearts and change minds.

The narrative moves in a kind of relay-style from one pair of eyes to another, starting with August and moving forward to his sister Via and then to his friends and even the bully, Julian. This helps us gain a little empathy for Julian, and shows that every story has two sides. Each narrator has a distinct, completely believable voice. Palacio writes with just the right balance of humor and pathos, making each character both flawed and sympathetic. She seems to understand kids, and how they have the capacity to be both horribly mean and incredibly brave and kind at the same time.

While *Wonder* appears to be a children's book on the outside since it is written from the children's point of view, it is filled with gut-wrenching emotions, and a rare power that makes you sit down and contemplate life. It is brilliant, yet brutal and makes you want to hug everybody by the end of it. You will laugh, cry and be left with a warm, feel-good feeling.

What's haunting about the novel is not the story itself, but how much it is laced with truth (and a lot of *Star Wars* references). It makes you wonder (no pun intended) whether we would act the same as most people in the book do. August has always known the world looks at him differently. His fears may reflect some of our own, facial deformity or not. Let's just say, by the end of the book, it's not only August who comes out a winner. I see no better way to end than with a quote from the book: "You can't blend in when you were born to stand out."

Rebecca Miranda
TYBA

Turning Presentations into Conversations

“We should just stop calling these things presentations altogether. Everyone gets hung up on that word. Wouldn't it be easier to just call them conversations? That's really what they are.”

- Dale Ludwig

The word “presentations”, often uttered by our beloved professors, can be like the sound effects of a horror movie. It does have the same effect: it makes our hearts beat faster, we fear it, and want to run away from the possibility of doing it. But why do we have this uneasiness with a small, harmless aspect of college life as if it were the day the results or the blacklists were coming out? The simple answer is not that we can't do it; it's just that we don't know the right way to do it. Firstly, we need to accept the fact that presentations are always going to be a part of our lives, whether you're a manager presenting a business idea to your colleagues, or simply presenting a picnic plan to your family. Think about this, what makes McDonald's different from any local burger outlet? One reason is how they present their services to their customers. Many companies sell burgers, but McDonald's does it with more creativity and tact. It isn't just the content but how you present the content. But what points should be considered to make sure we don't bore people with our presentations? Given below are some of the pointers from my own experience, and that of various renowned speakers which will help you speak in a way that will make people want to give you their attention.

1. Do Your Homework

Doing your homework on the topic you

are going to present will ensure that you score big when the actual day arrives. The last minute habit of doing homework just when the professor enters the door will guarantee a 'Titanic Situation' for you when you are about to make your presentation, unless you are one of those exceptions who excel at extempore speaking. What you need to do is become one with your topic! You should understand the essence of your content. Only when you do this will the words flow freely, and the problem of uttering fillers like 'err', 'umm' in between reduce drastically.

2. Formal Attire Changes You

We may wonder at times, why the emphasis on a formal dress-code in so many places? I can bet that most of you may have noted that we act in a more elegant fashion when we dress formally. Formal attire brings more formality in your behaviour. However, if you are at a small informal group discussion, wearing a suite and a tie might just overdo it. Psychological researchers have noted that while speaking to a group of youngsters, if the speaker is dressed in a little more casual manner it helps to build a rapport with them as it creates a mental link with their 'casual' mentality. However if you are going for a high-level business conference, you might not want to go in ripped jeans because you just might be shown the door!

3. Your Body is your Second Voice

Yes, your body speaks a lot too. In fact, scientists claim that while speaking, your body does nearly 55% of the talking. For instance, you will notice how your hand

movements are co-ordinated with what you say. Avoid doing dance steps with your hands but at the same time avoid being stiff like a statue too. Hands in the pockets is a big 'No'. It not only comes a cross as arrogant, it also shows that you are a closed person, and the audience may not be able to connect with you. Keeping an erect posture while speaking initiates proper breathing; this helps in voice modulation. Maintaining eye contact with the audience helps to keep them engrossed. You may say, "But my friends make me laugh". Well, don't look at them; look at someone who you know will take you seriously. It is better to make eye contact and seem more alive rather than appear to be an automated speaker who is staring in one direction.

4. A PowerPoint is Just a Backdrop.

Ever so often, we may have noticed that people simply read aloud from the PowerPoint slide. This instantly distances the audience because even they can read it; why the need of a presenter then? Firstly, you need to practice well so that you don't regularly need the slide to speak. Secondly, make sure there is minimal matter on the slide. The slide should just contain the main points; the elaboration of those points is your job. Every play or concert has a backdrop which may just be a reference point but the main action takes place right in front. That's how your presentations need to be: the audience's main focus should be on what you speak, and your slide should just be a backdrop for their reference.

5. Destress Yourself.

A stress- attack is one type of attack that

can launch an assault as the presentation draws near. To tackle this issue, remember one simple thing: we are humans, and it is normal for us to get stressed out. What matters is how we deal with this stress, or how we tactfully handle a mistake. Breathlessness, blanking- out, cold sweat are some of the symptoms of a stress-attack. A method I myself follow myself is called 'diaphragm breathing' or 'abdominal breathing'. When a person gets nervous, the lungs alone cannot handle the amount of oxygen the body demands. Research suggest that using the diaphragm will help you breathe more easily. So place your finger just below your ribcage and breath in. Your finger should get pushed upwards, so that you are using your diaphragm to breathe. This will allow oxygen to flow easily to your brain and nervous system, and will help you to deal with your nervousness!

These tips are the most vital if you want to fire on all cylinders when you present. At times you may have to implement all of them in one situation. This will be possible only with practice and time. Don't push yourself; let it come from within. Rome wasn't built in a day. Lastly, the most important thing to remember is that you can do it irrespective of how you feel or what others feel about you. Don't fear making mistakes; we are all learning. And on one glorious day you will realise that your monotonous presentations are now turning into easy everyday conversations.

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Green Computing

That's how I envision the future to be. If we don't go green now, we have to wait for it to load in the future.

We live in a world of technology. Gadgets have become a basic necessity, and we can't live without PCs and mobile phones, so let's learn how to live with them in a way that makes them environment friendly.

Technology has advanced to such an extent that green computing is not just a movement, it's a necessity. Green computing is an environmentally responsible and eco-friendly use of computers and their resources. The goals of green computing are: to reduce the use of hazardous materials, maximize energy efficiency, and promote the recyclability of defunct products and factory waste. Green computing includes the use of energy efficiency central processing units (CPUs), peripherals and servers as well as proper disposal of electronic waste (e-waste)

The origin of green computing can be traced back to 1992 when the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) launched Energy Star, a program designed to promote and recognize energy-efficiency in monitors, climate control equipment, and other technologies.

The best way of addressing environmental concerns are by the following four paths defined by SAN Murugesan:

- Green Use - Using resources in a way that reduces the usage of hazardous materials.
- Green Design - Designing objects and services that comply with the environment.
- Green Disposal - Recycling e-waste with little or no impact on the environment.
- Green Manufacturing - The discovery and development of new products that reduces or eliminates the use or generation of hazardous substances in manufacturing.

The benefits of green computing is not only restricted to the consumer, or business, or a country but benefits the whole world. Green computing helps reduce energy demands, waste, and money depending on how we use technology that positively affects the environment, and our costs. By simply turning off your computer when not in use, you can save up to 67 percent annually in your electric bill, along with reducing greenhouse gases.

There are many innovative technologies and tools which make green computing a viable option. You can contribute your bit at various levels:

As an individual-

- Organic light-emitting diodes should be used instead of the regular monitors. Using ENERGY STAR qualified products help in energy conservation. The Climate Savers Computing Initiative (CSCI) catalog can be used for choosing green products.
- Donating your old computers and other peripherals can reduce the rate of e-waste creation. Moreover, those who cannot afford to buy a computer can benefit from such donations. The manufacturing of disks and boxes needed for video games takes up a lot of resources. Video game manufacturers can offer their games online for download, leading to

reduction in e-waste. This move can cut down on transportation/shipping costs.

- The practice of switching off computers at night helps in saving a considerable amount of energy. Computers are designed for sustaining around 40,000 on/off cycles. Therefore, you need not worry about the computer even if you have to turn it off on a regular basis.

As a business-

- Build energy efficient data centers. An energy efficient data center design includes air management, heat recovery and electrical configuration of data centers in a way that greatly reduces energy consumption. Modern data center designs also include on-site electricity generation and waste heat recycling.
- Businesses should encourage telecommuting. It is a work arrangement in which people work from home, making use of the internet, telephone and email. This method offers many advantages such as reduction of greenhouse gas emissions related to travel, greater work satisfaction, and lower costs for office space, heat and lighting.

Though green computing is largely considered as the future of things, there are still some issues that are barriers to the green computing revolution.

There are innumerable ways to combine ecology with technology. We are already trying a bit of everything, such as using solar technology on keyboards. There is also cloud computing, a method that reduces the need of businesses to purchase more computers.

The practice of green computing has essentially branched off to every form of technology out there. Green computing has definitely come a long way, but with so many new innovations coming along in regards of preserving the environment, we need to work collaboratively to accelerate the development of Green IT and to help save the earth by computing more while consuming less!

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The exaggerated truth...

How often do you stop to breathe ?

We limp through reality, living in a world where the moon is just a mile away and the stars and the sun shine together. This was one of those days just like all the others. Such realizations just make you want to wish for something to happen- good, bad, just something. Praying so, I was sitting at a window seat of the bus back home. A million things flashing all at once demanding my immediate attention; the book on the verge of revealing the murderer, texts to be responded to , loud music patiently waiting to scare my thoughts away ,my head waiting to hit the head rest, and my eyelids at a race to shut .

A moment later, I found myself unexpectedly obeying the whisper inside me urging me to break the cycle. The darkness of the night illuminating souls, head lights and red lights shining bright, people marching mindlessly, the fleet of cars playing their own symphony while the trees were fast asleep.... My eyes found something - hidden well between the branches and the barbed wired fence was a board in red with faded words in white, hanging on by something. It was damaged,

as if someone intended it to be so. I had to lean and shift out of my seat to read it. Squinting and peering, I read it. Once, and then again. Then over again.

'Don't kill time; it has no resurrection.'

We have evolved from hour glasses to digital watches that countdown fraction of seconds. By the age of six, we learn to tell time. We are taught to run along with time, making the most of it. I am chasing and running every day, yet why do I feel like a criminal? Have I been killing time?

Yes, mercilessly.

We are busy most of the time doing who-knows-what. Right from the time of birth, we begin a countdown to death. We have a limited life-span, and we spend our days waiting for that perfect moment, that once in a lifetime opportunity to finally fulfill the dream. But what for? When it is already handed out to you on a silver platter.

Life itself is the opportunity. It is a memory waiting to happen. Time will come and go, but life rolls just once.

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The First Days in Degree College

A blog post by Gauri Mayekar

"I want to be an adult!" Do you remember yourself complaining like this only to find that your responsibilities have multiplied? Of course, your new-found independence is supposed to weigh you down but what's worse is - college, or rather Degree College. Don't make a face already! It is quite intimidating to know you are no longer the 'junior', that you're stepping into the 'real world' as if all this while it was a fairytale

(which it probably was - thanks to your parents).

"The first day of college is the best day of college," said no one ever. It is no news that the first few days are probably the most uncomfortable ones. Who doesn't feel eagles and butterflies and the entire zoo, come to think of it? We all do and let me tell you - it's natural. However, how we utilize that feeling is what makes us stand out. Here are my experiences of my first few days in Degree College. I hope you might relate to it as well:

1. One 'hello' might welcome many more:

You are totally new to this college, this campus, this classroom but you're smartly pretending you know your way so you don't seem like a newborn idiot. The thing is - you're failing at it and so is everyone else. Out of nowhere, you hear someone say, "Hi". *God definitely heard my prayers*, you think to yourself and without even realizing it, you're smiling wider than ever. 'Um, hi," the words manage to come out, and you ask yourself why you're suddenly speaking like a native (hello stuttering!), but the question isn't why your tongue is tied. The question is...who is this person? Why did she approach you? Is she new too? Was she born *that* confident? You wonder, and soon you learn she's been studying in the same college since years. Perhaps you're shaking like a damaged washing machine, and even they seem to notice it. "Friends?" so they finally ask. "Best friends", you reply, almost beg, just in case you're left alone like a clueless puppy ever again in your life. And that is the start of a friendship that leads to several more...

2. ...or controversially, your one 'hello' shuns the rest:

"To make new friends, make efforts. Do not wait for them to approach you."

Mama always said that, didn't she? So you forcefully throw yourself into random groups in an attempt to make friends and socialize but unfortunately, you enter that cool group where everyone is everyone's best friend since their last ten lives. "Hello," you say that despite knowing the group does not need you. Some of them don't even hear you as they are engrossed in gossip about celebrities you're no longer interested in. If you're lucky, they might wave with a strange look and give you an awkward smile to pretend they never saw something as lonely as you. *Remember - these are not your people.* This situation happens rarely but if it does, try not to feel bad. Smile and walk away gracefully. It is their loss.

3. What do I wear?

You shop for your college outfit months ago. You watch those *Back to School* YouTube hacks you swore you never would. You study the reputation of this college more than you'll ever study the syllabus but the night before the first day, you still have no idea what to wear - as if not looking your best is going to get you rusticated! It's a common tendency to try to look good, especially at the start - not too fancy, not too normal, just...good (you know what I mean) because we want friends. We want to be liked, accepted and validated just like every other human. This is when we start to realize - *uniforms were better.*

4. Rating College Teachers

Right after attending lectures the first day, you know who your favorite teacher is going to be for the rest of your life. You decide who you'll mess with and who you will not. The moment a teacher enters the class, you know her zodiac sign, her past life, and her horoscope. Just kidding, but that's how deeply we study professors. As if it's a reality show in which they're the performers and we the judges. Seconds after the class ends, everyone is ready with a detailed analysis of each professor (if only we performed that well for our literature exams). I guess it is not the subject that has ever been interesting but the teacher that we mentally rated 10/10 who made it so. The one who makes *the most* boring chapter *the most* interesting one? Right, that one.

5. Dora the Explorer

The title says it all! Do I need to explain how many times we find ourselves lost in the new-new campus?

So the first few days of degree college revolve around these five questions - who to befriend, who not to, what to wear, who is your favorite teacher, where to go. It may seem like a bunch of horrible experiences all at once but truth be told, it is all helping us grow - whether we realize it or not.

Mandala: The Magic Circle of Life

As gentle to the ears as the birds chirping,
As pleasing to the eye as the orange
setting sun,
As soothing to the skin as the touch of silk
and cream,

As refreshing to breathe as the fragrant lily
and jasmine,

And as enriching to the mind as an orator's
dream. . .

That is the power of ART. . .

That is the power of "*Art as therapy*". . .

Art as therapy embodies the idea that art making is, in itself, therapeutic and the creative *process* is a reflective, growth-producing experience. It is different from art psychotherapy, which embraces the idea that art is a means of symbolic communication and expresses personality, emotions, conflicts and other aspects of human experience.

Creation of "mandalas," whether structured or free form, is often suggested by art therapists as a self-healing tool for people suffering from anxiety, depression, and other mood-related disorders. "Mandala" is a Hindi word derived from Sanskrit, meaning "circle" (more specifically, a magic circle) or "centre." The circular design of the mandala is believed to invoke a spirit of healing, through the integration of our inner self with our outer world or present life situations. The outer circle or boundary suggests wholeness, unity and unification. As Joseph Campbell puts it, "Making a mandala is a discipline for pulling all those scattered aspects of your life together, for finding a centre and coordinating yourself to it. You try to coordinate your circle with the universal circle." Mandalas have been used in Tibetan meditations, the rose windows of Gothic cathedrals, and Navaho sand paintings. The use of mandalas as a therapeutic tool was first mentioned by Carl Jung; he made his patients draw, paint, model or even dance mandalas in times of

crisis or transformation. He himself practiced mandala making for self healing for silencing his chaotic inner dialogue.

As a young artist, student of art therapy and a girl who can get as anxious as if the world had turned upside down, I have often experienced the healing power of art. More specifically, drawing or painting in repetitive patterns can help you focus on your inner thoughts, feelings and experiences. Creating or even colouring a mandala helps us orient ourselves, integrate new information about ourselves about which we are not aware prior to making the mandala, and thus reformulate our identity. It helps us reflect on "*who we are*" and "*what matters most to us*" and provides insight. Creating a mandala often serves as a symbol or visual representation of self, inviting and revealing the conflicting parts of our nature.

The results of a study I conducted on young adults attending college on whether creation of mandalas helps reduce anxiety, enhances mood, and acts as a tool for self-healing suggested that the circular outline of the mandala actually serves as an "active ingredient" in mood enhancement. Drawing inside the circular outline for about twenty minutes significantly reduced the participants' anxiety levels and also enhanced positive mood. Most of the participants agreed that they felt a sense of inner peace and warmth, learnt about themselves during the art process, helped heal their inner insecurities and that they would like to engage in such activity often in future using art making as a self-healing tool.

It is important to note that while using art as a therapeutic tool, what is central is that

more often, it is the *process* and not the *product* that matters. It is just a platform to let your disturbing, conflicting thoughts flow, make them “visible,” and thus allows for order and reconciliation. It is not physical “beauty” that we aim for, but mental “wellness” through the catharsis.

Thus, mandalas, whether structured or free form, whether made as an individual or in a group, provide a protective boundary to contain all your thoughts, and has been proven to decrease depression and anxiety, reduce trauma symptoms, help stimulate a sense of self-discovery, increase attention, reduce impulsive behaviours, and is an effective physiological stress reducer.

“To paint what we see before us is a different art from painting what we see within”

-Carl Jung

So what are you waiting for? Grab a paper and a pen, surrender yourself to the mind's eye and let your feelings flow. . .

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If I Were a Celebrity

If I were a celebrity, wow, what a luxurious life I would live! My income would be in millions, I would own my mansion, I would have media following me, I would have so many fans around the world, and yes, how can I forget? I would have so many Instagram and Snapchat followers.

This life seems so beautiful and awesome, with fame and wealth overwhelming me. But, if I were a celebrity, I would not be like the others. I would make good use of the money I earn. For that, firstly, I would build

a good building with a beautiful garden and all the houses with classes interiors. This building would be called “Crescent Crest” which means ‘view of the moon from the top’. These flats would not be for the high middle class or middle class or for any rich people. In fact, these flats or houses would be for the refugees, homeless, senior citizens and orphans who don't have a shelter to stay.

All the people living in this building would be given the necessary facilities with daily breakfast, lunch and dinner served at each one's house. All the young and old interested in seeking education would be sent to schools and colleges without any money to be paid from their pockets. People living in Crescent Crest would be given monthly counselling sessions where they would be encouraged to overcome their past sorrows and move ahead in life and make their own place in society.

People who can earn money for their own livelihood would be encouraged to do so. There would be workers who would be taking care of the building and also the people living in it. All the orphan kids would be taken care off by these workers and even the other members would be allowed to do so. Festivals, birthdays and other auspicious days would be celebrated together in a society hall situated in the basement of the building. All the cost would be paid by me.

I would personally visit the members in my building whenever possible, for a whole day once in a month. I would ask them for any requirements or goods they needed, and fulfil them. Everyone's police verification would also be done.

No caste, religion, race or colour discrimination would exit in Crescent Crest.

People of all different types would come and stay in Crescent Crest like one big diverse family. And Yes! There would also been pet animals like dogs, cats, birds, chicken, horses etc.

This is something I want to do, if I were a celebrity because happiness is helping someone in need rather fulfilling your unnecessary needs.

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Unbreakable

Jeff and Jason were thick friends or one could say that they were best friends. Their friendship was praised everywhere. They both loved each other very much, and even though they had a lot of differences yet they were inseparable. For example Jeff was a shy person who had stage fright and Jason was a bold person who liked to be on stage. They were actually more than friends, they were a family. They shared their darkest secrets, always ready to fight for one another without any hesitation. They also promised that they would not hesitate to give their lives for one another. They did have some common interests; for instance, both did not like attending lectures. But all that was soon going to change. One day, in a boring history class when everyone was dozing, they met their first challenge. Their principal entered the class with an unfamiliar girl. Everyone wondered who she was. "Greetings class, this is Natasha. Our foreign exchange student. She will join our school from today," said the Principal. Natasha was a true marvel of nature. She had deep brown eyes, her

golden hair travelled like waves to her waist, her skin was as smooth and soft as cream, and anyone could get hypnotized by her mesmerising smile accompanied by two cute dimples. She was like a statue sculpted by Michelangelo. Two days passed after she joined school and in these two days she proved that she was beautiful not just from the outside. She was an intelligent girl filled with wisdom. One day when Jeff was passing by Jason's house, he decided to meet him. He knocked on the front door; Jason's step mother opened the door. Jason was an orphan and had been adopted by a middle class family who had no children. "He is taking a bath, you may wait for him in his room." Jason's mother said with a welcoming smile. Jeff saw a pile of flowers on the table. "Hey dude, what's with the flowers?" Jeff asked. Jason blushed. "Now listen carefully." Jeff said. "You know Natasha right? I'm truly in love with her and I want to date her. Please help me, my best friend." There was an awkward silence in the room, Jason froze and was stared blankly at Jeff. He finally nodded in agreement and took out a letter from his drawer and a bunch of flowers and gave it to Jeff and instructed him to give it to her.

The next morning, Jeff gave Jason a tight hug. "It's a yes, Bro!" Jeff exclaimed in joy. Jason was happy for him. "Our first date is today. What's the secret of a successful date?" Jeff asked. Jason thought for a while and replied, "First- Never follow your instincts. Instincts will get you through any situation but it won't work around girls. Second-girls don't want a man with a muscular body and abs like us; they want a man who tries to

understand them. A person who knows to connect with their feelings. A brave and sensitive person who feels his innermost feelings. Third-be open and natural.” Jason’s tips worked fine and soon Jeff and Natasha got close to each other. Little did Jeff know that as he became closer to Natasha, he drifted apart from Jason. Their everyday meets turned into phone calls and slowly there was hardly any communication. Jeff thought that Jason didn’t care how much he was getting ignored but Jeff was wrong... dead wrong.

Almost a month passed since Jason was ignored. One day Jeff and Natasha decided to meet Jason. When they entered his room, they were shocked to see Jason sitting on the bed holding a penknife in his right hand which was directed towards his left arm. Jeff snatched the knife and scolded him, “If you cut that part of your body, you will die.” “Who are you?” Jason yelled hysterically and ran away. Jeff was shocked but Natasha gave him a hug and told him to go home. She said she would go after Jason. Jeff agreed and went back home.

When he reached home his grandmother told him that Jason was sitting in his room. Jeff was filled with joy and ran upstairs and gave Jason a tight hug but Jason whispered softly in his ears, “I don’t want to be friends with you anymore”, and ran away slamming the door behind him. Jeff froze in disappointment it felt like the very ground cracked underneath his feet.

Next morning, there was chaos behind the school building. People said that there

was a body hanging upside down from the old oak tree. Jeff rushed to the spot to see the body; his veins filled with terror when he saw that it was Natasha who was hanging upside down. Her skin was torn, her neck was slit, and her head was lying on the ground. Jeff went into chronic depression.

His grades went down drastically. Jeff stopped talking to any one and locked himself in his room. His granny was concerned and decided that this place was not fit for him anymore and got him shifted to another city. After a few months, Jeff received a letter from Jason. He went back to Jason’s house and knocked on the door but no one opened it. He saw Jason’s mom drying clothes in the backyard. He asked her about Jason. She said that he was not there. When he asked about Jason’s return, she pointed to a grave and said that he had jumped from a six storied building. “My best friend can’t commit suicide” he said. “He didn’t.” She replied and handed him a book. His eyes widened in fear and he opened the first page.

“Hello Jeff, I know I’m not worthy to ask you for forgiveness because I took almost everything from you. I could not bear you ignoring me. It made me mad. I started to ruin both our lives. I started to think that you took me for granted. I’m the reason behind Natasha’s death. I had told some thugs to make you feel bad. All I wanted was revenge but even in my dreams I never expected that they would do this. Those thugs are out of prison now. They came to see me. I found out that they were actually spies, and they did it to find out your secret powers. They started

threatening me too but don't you worry, even if my last heart beat disappears, our secret will disappear with it. This will help my conscience feel lighter.” Tears ran down his cheeks. He gave a sad look at Jason's mother. She leaned towards him and whispered in his ears softly, “He kept his promise.” Jeff's blood froze and he almost had a cardiac arrest. “Now get lost before someone sees you” she said Jeff managed to pick himself up and dragged himself home, crying and weeping all the way.

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A Report on an Industrial Visit to Barclays

Barclays along with Global Talent Track held a three-day program for the students of St. Andrew's College in March 2018. Barclays Connect-with-Work program aimed at training us in skills that we would require when we enter the workforce. On day one, we were taught how to face interviews and group discussions. We had a mock group discussion and were taught how interviewers usually rate us in such a situation. We were also taught how to make our resume attractive and how to write cover letters.

On day two we had the opportunity to visit the Barclays office in Nirlon Knowledge Park. There we spoke to a couple of Barclays' employees who gave us tips to improve our soft skills. They answered all the questions we had about facing interviews, resumes and general corporate life. One important piece of advice they gave us was to never stop trying and not to take rejection personally.

On day three, we had the opportunity to interact with Barclays' employees from their Asia Pacific offices. We were divided into groups of six and we had about ten minutes to speak with them individually. First we played the game 'Two Truths and A Lie' as an icebreaker. That helped in settling our nervousness. We then got to ask questions about the corporate world. The employees shared some of their experiences and provided us with an insight into daily corporate life. They were very patient and helpful and wished us the best for our future.

Overall, the programme was a great experience. And though we would have liked to have more time to interact with our guests, we gained valuable knowledge that will help us as we step into the workforce.

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You don't stop laughing when you grow old, you grow old when you stop laughing.

George Bernard Shaw

Voices in Verse

THAT WORD

L O V E, they lied to me.

L O V E, they lied to me.

"Don't hold back," they say,

"Move on. Let go, 'cause life's a song."

But the motions keep changing, people keep passing,

They abuse that word like the times they say, "I, me, myself".

"I, me, myself"? Who cares?

L O V E

L is for the laughs they throw behind my back.

O is how overjoyed they get when I fail.

V is for the vengeance that keeps growing in my head.

E is for everything that went wrong.

I ain't complaining,

I've made my share of mistakes.

But when I reached for the stars, gravity pulled me down.

You said you're sorry,

Now how can I believe you when you've said it eighty times before?

I know you're bad for me

Then why do I love you so?

Sometimes I feel I'm screaming in a crowded room.

I'm burning, I'm drowning, I'm dying,

And no one even bothers.

The makeup doesn't hide it all,

Someone please care that my smile's turned upside down.

L O V E, you said you'd never leave me.

L O V E, you said you'd always need me.

I can't do it all.

Life's too long for just one song.

I'll change the tune; I'll change my life.

I'll wear that cover no more.

I'm beautiful in my own eyes

And won't be the reason for my tears anymore.

'Cause L is for the laughs I throw behind your back.

O is how overjoyed I get when you fail.

V is for the vengeance that keeps growing in your head.

And E is for everything we did wrong.

I'll change my life; I'll change my song.

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Untitled

We are like you
We too eat and breathe and drink
Like the rest of you
We just live in different jungles
Yours is made of concrete, ours is made of trees
You work for your families, we work for our own
You fight your wars, and you lose your jobs
We lose our fight, and even our lives
You strive to be law abiding citizens since birth
Freedom leaves us when we are born
You seek to destroy our homes
We try to defend them
and we are a security threat?
It is true hate breeds hate
You can take down all of us-
But none of this will change

Lal Salaam Kamraid

Running from being Human

Let's run away from this world of right and wrong,
Let's go someplace where there's no relationship or bond.
No money, No name.
No credit, No fame.
Where life's only what you make of it,
Where the sun and moon are lit.
Where love and lovers chase each other,
Where the sun and moon never face each other.
Where the trees dance on the rhythm of the wind,
Where animals and birds sing in sync.
Where the titanic never crashed the glacier,
Where I can afford to be lazier.
Who wants to be lazy,

In this world where everything's so crazy?
Oh come on, let's just pack everything and leave,
I'm sure fun and frolic are things that will never cease.
Are you afraid of leaving luxury behind?
Aren't love and fun the luxuries you find?
Stupid, lazy, crazy, immature and coward is all you're being,
Ah! After all you are a HUMAN BEING!

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Her body was crippled,

Covered in crimson, a flower so fragile
She came in my dreams the other night
She sobbed, as she tried to say
"I lost..th..the fight.."
She dragged her broken self towards me,
in a pool of blood as far as my eyes could see.

I ran to that poor soul and carried her in my arms,
Wishing I was there to protect her from all harm.
She looked up at me,
"I'm thirsty" she said
"I went eight days without water, eight days without food"

I looked around in the darkness
And while her heartbeat grew faint, mine was restless
As I called for help over and over again.
Finally, the heavens sent us clouds of rain
Yet it didn't seem right
It felt as though they were drops of pain
In the colour of blood, the feelings of grief they contained

Followed by drops of salt,
They were the tears of the women
Ruthlessly punished for a lustful man's fault.
It was horrifying to witness, and I woke up with a fright
I fell to the ground, and prayed that this land wake up and follow the light.

Follow the light that could lead us to a better tomorrow
A tomorrow where women need not live in fear or sorrow
A land where a man's heart is not stone cold,
A land where there is protection for an eight year old.

Vanessa Varkey
SYJC Arts

Times Have Changed

There was a little boy
Born in a manger,
His name was Jesus
He came to save us
He loved us, He cared for us
This is what we all know
But is that what we usually show?

Times have changed
And so have we
I see a baby asleep
Down near the dark old street...
But this time it's not in swaddling clothes
It's wrapped in a plastic bag
And thrown in the rag.

Why is it there?
Doesn't anyone care?
Where is its mother?
Where is the father?
Why do just people look at it and gather
Why would the parents just leave?
Oh! now I understand -
It's Eve....

Times have changed
And so have we
Where once a baby was born to see
Now a baby is born to die
Look! It's about to cry.
But there isn't anyone who will look

Because anyway she has to grow up and become a cook.
There's nothing else that she can do, they say
Just give her a chance
Let her try,
Give her wings to fly,
Wings so large,
It could capture the sky

Times will change
And so will we
Just give her a chance
And let her show us the 'REAL ME'

And here's how it ends, happily
Because though there is darkness
There's a ray of light, you see
But only if you open your doors
And let it in.

Because times will change
And so will we

Kevin Oliveira

निसर्ग हाच माझा मित्र

“खोप्या मधी खोपा,
सुगरणीचा चांगला,
देखा पिलासाठी तीनं,
झोका झाडाले टांगला
खोपा ईनला-ईनला,
जसा गिलक्याचा कोसा,
पाखराची कारागिरी जरा देखं रे माणसा,
तिची उलूशीच चोचं, तेच दात, तेच ओठं
तुला दिलेरे देवानं, दोन हात, दहा बोट.”

किती सुरेख वाटते ही कविता! बहीणाबाई म्हणतात की सुगरण आपल्या छोट्या चोचीने किती सुरेख घर बनवते, पण आपण माणसं, दहा बोट असूनही काहीच करू शकत नाही. भरपूर लेखक व कवी निसर्गावर कविता किंवा निबंध लिहितात. व आपल्याला त्याचे महत्त्व सांगतात.

माझे आजोबा नेहमी म्हणतात, “निसर्ग हाच आपला खरा मित्र असतो.” आणि मला ही तसेच वाटते. किती साध व सोज्वळ असतो निसर्ग! निसर्गाच्या शांततेला वेगळ्याच प्रकारचा आवाज असतो.

मला असे वाटते, की खरा मित्र तोच जो आपल्याला जगण शिकवतो. आता बघाच, निसर्ग आपल्याला किती गोष्टी शिकवतो. एखादी मुंगी पन्नास वेळा जरी पडली, तरी पुन्हा चढते आणि आपल्याला “Never give up” अशी शिकवण देते. नदीतलं पाणी सतत वाहत असतं. डोंगरांच्या मधुन, मोठ-मोठ्या

दगडांवरून सतत वाहत असतं. ते कधीच थांबत नाही. ह्याने आपल्याला ही शिकवण मिळते की आपल्याला नेहमी पुढेच जायचे आहे. वाटेत एखादा अडथळा आल्यामुळे थांबायचे नसते. मन लावून प्रयत्न केले तर त्या अडथळ्याला आपण सहज पार करू शकू.

अशा सुंदर उदाहरणांनी आपल्याला निसर्ग खूप काही शिकवून जातो.

प्रत्येक सकाळ आपल्यासाठी एक नविन आशा घेऊन येते, असही निसर्ग आपल्याला शिकवतो. माझ्या अशा मित्राला आज तुमची गरज आहे. त्याचा जीव संपत आहे झाडं कापल्यामुळे त्याचा श्वास थांबू शकतो.

मला माझ्या मित्राला वाचवायचे आहे आणि मला फक्त मनुष्यचं मदत करू शकतो. निसर्गाने मला खूप शिकवण दिली आहे. म्हणून मला झाडे लावून त्याला मदत करायची आहे.

संत तुकाराम देखिल म्हणतात.

“जितका सुरेख माझा निसर्ग,

तितकाच सुरेख आपला जीव”

लहानपणा पासूनच मला निसर्गाशी खेळायला आवडायचे. त्याच्या मांडीत झोका घेण्याची मजाच वेगळी होती. या सर्व कारणांमुळेच निसर्ग हा माझा खास मित्र आहे.

Bhumishtha Bhadsavle
XII - A Science
1st Prize Winner

घरात हवे आजी-आजोबा

“आजी आजोबा आमचे सवंगडी” असे लोक म्हणतात पण खरोखर काय? नाही, आजच्या युगात अंतिम वर्गात बसणारे हे म्हणजेच आजी - आजोबा पण का हे घडतंय? कारण आम्ही लोक आजच्या काळात एवढे व्यस्त झालो आहोत की आमचं लक्ष्य आम्हाला सर्व प्रथम आणि सगळे बाजूला. घरात आमच्या मित्रांची जागा घेणारे ते कोणी नाही, तर आमचे आजी-आजोबा हेच आहेत. जर तुम्ही कधी ऐकले नसतील तर पुढील प्रसंग बघा.

आपल्या घरात राहणारे ज्येष्ठ नागरिक म्हणजेच आजी-आजोबा हेच आमच्या घरातली शान असे म्हणतात. त्यांना घरातल्या प्रत्येक व्यक्ती सोबत बोलायला हे खूप आवडतं. पण एवढा वेळ कोण देतो? त्यांना न बघता आपण आपल्या कामात गुंततो या व्यवहाराने त्यांना सुद्धा कष्ट पोहोचवतो. त्यांना एकटे राहणे वाईट वाटते म्हणून घरात आपुलकी न भेटल्यामुळे ते बाहेरच्या लोंकाशी मैत्री सुरू करतात. अशा वेळात

त्यांना मित्र हवे असतात. त्यांच्याशी बोलायला, त्यांचे सुख दुख ऐकायला. पण आम्हाला स्वतः विचार करायला पाहिजे की का असे दुर्व्यवहार आम्ही आपल्यात ठेवतो.

काही जण आपल्या रागाने त्यांच्या जवळ बसत नाही आणि ते दुसरं गोष्ट आहे जे लोक आपल्या आई-बाबांना त्रास देईन हर्षित किंवा आनंदित होतात ते स्वतःलाच धोका देतात. घरात राहणारे लहान मुले यांना ही आजी-आजोबां सोबत राहणारे खूप आवडतं.

त्यांना मान द्या. थोडासाच वेळ द्या आणि मग त्यांच्या चेहऱ्यावर रौनक बघा. पूर्ण संसारात त्यांच्यापेक्षा कोणी ही आनंदी होणार नाही. त्यांचा आदर व सन्मान करा.

Prabha Singh
XI A Science
IInd Prize Winner

निसर्ग हाच माझा मित्र

‘निसर्ग’ हा शब्द ऐकल्यावर मनात किती आनंद वाटतो. निसर्ग माणसाच्या कल्पनेने हिरवेगार झाडे, पाने, फूले हाच असतो. निसर्ग माणसाचा सखा मित्र आहे कारण तो माणसाला जीवन देतो. गार वायू, पाऊस, फूले, फळे ही निसर्गाची देन आहे. निसर्ग हा झाडे, वृक्ष, माती, पवन, आकाश यांचा समावेश आहे. निसर्गात अनेक जातींची पक्षी, किडे, मोठे जनावर दिसतात. निसर्ग पहायला गेलो तर आपला साथीदार व मित्रच आहे. निसर्गात अनेक ऋतु आहेत. ऋतु निसर्गाला उभारतो. अनेक जीव जंतु आपल्याला निसर्गात पहायला मिळतात. मोठ मोठे डोंगर, त्यांतुन वाहणाऱ्या नद्या, दऱ्या ह्या सर्व गोष्टी निसर्गाची देन आहे.

निसर्ग आपल्या मनुष्य जीवनाचा मित्र आहे कारण आपल्याला लहानातुन मोठ तोच करतो व पालन पोषण आमच्यासाठी उपलब्ध करतो. निसर्गाचे अनेक रूप आहेत. कधी तो शांत असतो

तर, कधी वादळासारखा भन्नाट होतो. निसर्ग आपल्याला खूप काही देतो आणि परत काहीच मागत नाही. विशाल नदया, धरणे, झरणे ही दिसून येतात. निसर्ग माणसाचा जीवन दाता आहे, प्यायला स्वच्छ पाणी, खायला जेवण व फळे, जगायला वायू, रहायला घर आणि औषधे ही देतो. निसर्ग माणसाला व आपल्याला खायला प्यायला पाणी व जेवण, जगायला हवा, रहायला लाकूड देतो ज्याने घर असते व अनेक औषधीय झाडे उपलब्ध करून देतो. माणसाच्या जीवनात निसर्गाचा मोठा सहभाग आहे. तो अनेक गोष्टींनी माणसाचा मित्र आहे म्हणूनत म्हणतात निसर्ग माणसाचा मित्र आहे. निसर्गाने मला हे शिकवले आहे कि जीवन जगणे सोपे नाही. कष्ट केल्याशिवाय माणसाला हवे ते भेटत नाही. नंद्यामध्ये मासेही जीवनदाता आहे म्हणून ‘निसर्ग हाच माझा खरा मित्र आहे.’

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XI A Arts
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कल्पना

एकदा “मी पणा” विकून पहा...
जेव्हा कोणीही घेणार नाही तेव्हा समजेल की
किती फालतू गोष्ट
आपण इतके दिवस बाळगत होतो... ?

बोलावे तर विचार करून...
नाहीतर बडबड सगळेच करतात
ऐकावे तर अंतःकरणातून
आरोळी तर सारेच देतात !

टिपावं तर अचूक टिपावं
नेम तर सारेच धरतात
शिकाव तर माफ करायला
राग तर सगळेच करतात.

खळगी भरावी तर उपाशी पोटाची
पोट भरून तर सारेच जेवतात
प्यावे तर दुसऱ्याच्या दुःखाचे विष
सुखाचे घोट तर सारेच घेतात.

जगावं तर इतरांसाठी
स्वतःसाठी तर सगळेच जगतात
ठेवावा तर शत्रुवर पण विश्वास
घात तर सारेच करतात.

दुःखामध्ये सुद्धा रहावं हसत
वेळ तर सर्वांचीच येते.
झालं तर आयुष्याचं सोनं व्हावं
राख तर सर्वांचीच होते.

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“कहानी - मेहनत की”

एक गरिब इन्सान था। वो इतना गरिब था की वो अपने परिवार का पालन-पोषण भी बड़ी मुश्किल से कर पाता था। फिर भी वह अपनी बेटी की शादी बड़े अच्छे से करने का सपना देखता था और अपने बेटे को पढ़ा लिखाकर बड़ा आदमी बनाना चाहता था। अक्सर उसे अपनी गरिबी से गुस्सा आता था। लेकिन उसका भाग्य अचानक बदल गया उसे लॉटरी लग गई एक साथ बहुत सारा रूपया हाथ में आते ही उसले १०-१५ सिलाई की मशीन खरीदकर कारागीर बिठा दिया। देखते ही देखते उसका काम बहुत बढ़ गया अब वो एक बहुत बड़े कंपनी का मालिक बन गया। तब तक उसके बच्चे बड़े हो गये लेकिन बाप के अपार पैसे से उनकी आदते बिगाड दी थी। औलाद उस आदमी की कमजोरी थी इसलिये उसने कभी अपने बच्चों को टोकने की कोशिश नही की और न ही ये जानने की कोशिश की उसने अर्जित किया हुवा पैसा उसके बच्चे कहा खर्च कर रहे है। और ऐसा करते करते उसका पैसा खत्म हो चूका, उसके पास कारिगरो को तनखाह देने के लिये भी पैसे नहीं बचा था। इसका नतिजा उसका कारखाना बंद हो गया। और वो पहले की तरह गरीब हो गया।

देखा, आपने जब तब उस इन्सान ने सोच समझकर पैसे का उपयोग करता रहा तब तक उसकी प्रगती होती रही। उसके पास का पैसा बढ़ता गया लेकिन जैसे ही पैसा व्यय / संचय करने में लापरवाही आयी और अपव्यय आरंभ हुआ तब उसे कंगाल होते ज्यादा समय नहीं लगा।

हर एक इन्सान के पास, कभी ना कभी जीवन में पैसे की बाढ़ आती है, बहुत सारा पैसा आता है, तब वे अमिर बन जाते है और तब तक बने रहते हैं, जब तक कि वे इसके योग्य रहते हैं।

यदि आप आगे बढ़ाना चाहते हैं, यदि आपकी धनाढ्य बनने की आकांक्षा है, तो आपको पैसा का महत्व जानना होगा, उसका अध्ययन और अनुभव करना होगा एक चतुर लेखक का कथन है कि इस बात को कभी मत भूलिए कि आप उतने ही परिणाम में पैसा उपार्जित करते हैं जितने परिमाण में आप ईमानदारी से समाज की सेवा करते हैं।

Shaikh Reehan Riyaz
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दोस्ती

दोस्त वो है जो थाम, के रखता है हाथ
परवाह नहीं उसको कौन है तुम्हारे साथ
उसकी आखों में चमक दिखती है
जब होता है तुम्हारे साथ

गुजर जाता है वक्त मिनटों में
जब करते हैं उससे बात

दोस्त वो हैं जो सामने आ जाये गर
खुद बयाँ हो जाते हैं दिल के हालत
कुछ सोचना नहीं पड़ता
जब होती है उससे बात

दोस्त वो है जो बिन कहे समझ लेता है हर बात
बस हम छिपा नहीं सकते उससे कोई भी राज

कर देता है हैरान तब और भी
जब मरहतो में बन जाता है ढाल
अपने सारे दर्द गम भुला कर
साथ हँसता है सारी रात

उसे कुछ भी नहीं चाहिए तुमसे बस
कुछ पल तुम्हारे साथ का है वह मोहताज

दोस्त वो है जिससे दोस्ती निभानी नहीं पड़ती
जिसे कोई भी बात समझानी नहीं पड़ती
रूठ भी जाए तो भी नहीं करता नजरन्दाज
इसलिए ये रिश्ता होता है हर रिश्ते से खास

कभी वो माँ की तरह समझाता है
तो कभी पिता की तरह डाटता है

कभी कभी बहन बन कर सताता है
तो कभी भाई की तरह रूलाता है

कभी एक आफताब बन होसला बढ़ाता है
हमें गम और खुशियों से परे ले जाता है

जिसके पास है ऐसा दोस्त
वही मुकम्मल है इस जहाँ में
वही है इयात का सरताज

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मेरे जीवन का लक्ष्य

मेरे जीवन का लक्ष्य है कि मैं बड़ी होकर चिकित्सक बनूँ और अपनी चिकित्सा ज्ञान से उन सभी लोगों को लाभान्वित करूँ जो धन के अभाव में उचित चिकित्सा प्राप्त नहीं कर पाते हैं। मैं इस बात को अच्छी तरह समझती हूँ कि एक अच्छी चिकित्सा बनना आसान नहीं है।

अच्छे विद्यालय का चयन, उसमें प्रवेश पाना तथा पढ़ाई में होने वाला खर्च आदि अनेक रूकावटें हैं। परंतु मुझे पुरा विश्वास है, कि मैं इन बाधाओं को पार कर सकूँगी। इसके लिए मैं ने बहुत कड़ी मेहनत का संकल्प लिया है। उचित मार्गदर्शन के लिए मैं अपनी अध्यापक व अनुभवी छात्रों का सहयोग ले रही हूँ।

चिकित्सक बनने के बाद मैं भारत के उन गाँवों में जाना चाहती हूँ जहाँ पर अच्छी चिकित्सक का अनुभाव है अथवा जहाँ पर चिकित्सा केंद्र की व्यवस्था नहीं है। मैं उन सभी लोगों का इलाज निःशुल्क करना चाहती हूँ जो धन के अभाव में अपनी इलाज नहीं कर पाते हैं। इसके अतिरिक्त मैं उनमें अच्छी स्वास्थ्य के बारे में जागरूकता लाना चाहती हूँ।

वे किस प्रकार जीवन - यापन करे, सफाई, स्वास्थ्य एवं संतुलित भोजन के महत्व को समझे, इसके लिए मैं व्यापक रूप से अपनी योगदान देना चाहती हूँ। आजकल कुछ परंपरागत रोगों का इलाज तो आसानी से संभव है लेकिन उचित जानकारी का अभाव, रोग तीव्र

होने पर ही इलाज के लिए तत्पर होना जैसी समस्याएँ अशिक्षितों एवं ग्रामीणों की प्रमुख समस्याएँ हैं।

इस दिशा में मैं कुछ सार्थक कदम जरूर उठाना चाहूँगी। मेरे लक्ष्य में देश और समाज की सेवा का भाव निहित है। सभी लोगों, विशेषकर निर्धन लोगों को चिकित्सा तथा अच्छी स्वास्थ्य संबंधी जानकारी देकर मैं निश्चय ही आत्म-संतुष्टि प्राप्त करूँगी।

समाचार - पत्रों व दूरदर्शन अथवा अन्य माध्यमों से जब मुझे इस बात की जानकारी प्राप्त होती है कि देश के गाँवों में प्रतिवर्ष हजारों लोग कुपोषण के कारण तथा उचित चिकित्सा के अभाव में मृत्यु के शिकार हो जाते हैं, तो मुझे वास्तव में बहुत दुःख होता है।

यह निश्चय हो देश के लिए दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण बात है। यह मेरे लिए सौभाग्य की बात होगी कि मैं अपनी देश और देशवासियों के लिए अपनी योगदान कर सकूँगी। दूसरी ओर एड्स जैसी कई बीमारियाँ ऐसी हैं जिनके बारे में समाज को जागरूक बनना अत्यावश्यक है।

मुझे विश्वास है कि मेरे इस जीवन के लक्ष्य में गुरुजनों, सहपाठियों व माता-पिता सभी का सहयोग प्राप्त होगा। ईश्वर मेरे इस नेक कार्य व मेरे लक्ष्य प्राप्ति के मार्ग में मेरी सहायता करेंगे इसका मुझे पूर्ण विश्वास है। मैं खुद भी अपनी लक्ष्य की प्राप्ति में कोई कसर नहीं छोड़ूँगी।

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जीवन का एक उद्देश है हर कोई जीवन में कुछ उद्देश का पीछा करता है मैं इस नियम का अपवाद नहीं हूँ मेरा उद्देश एन जीवन एक व्यावसायिक पायलट बनना है मुझे लगता है कि आदमी अपनी उड़ान मशीन पर मोहित हो गया है। मेरे चाचा ने यह महत्वकाक्षां मेरे सिर में डाल दी थी। वह व्यापक रूप से यात्रा करने वाला आदमी है वह एयर इंडिया के कई पायलटों को जानते हैं। वह इन स्मार्ट पुरुषों की प्रशंसा कर रहे हैं। वाणिज्यिक पायलट विभिन्न देशों की यात्रा करते हैं और विभिन्न प्रकार की कट्टानियों को घेर लाते हैं। वे सभी देशों के लोगों के साथ मिश्रण करते हैं वे पांच सितारा होटल में रहते हैं। वे ऐतिहासिक महत्व के सभी स्थानों पर जाते हैं वे अत्याधिक भुगतान कर रहे हैं वे जीवन शैली की एक अच्छी शैली का आनंद लेते हैं।

हमारा समाज उन्हें सम्मान में रखता है। लोग अपनी कंपनी में बैठना पसंद करते हैं। मेरे सभी चाचा ने इन लोगों के बारे में कहा, इस पेशे के लिए मेरी भूख को नेख कर दिया और मुझे हिट करने का लक्ष्य दिया। मैंने

अपने चाचा से सीखा है कि मुझे विज्ञान और गणित का अध्ययन करना चाहिए। जब भी मेरी स्कूली शिक्षा है, मैंने इन विषयों को बहुत रुचि के साथ पढ़ रहा हूँ। अब, मैं स्थानिय फ्लाईंग क्लब में शामिल हो गया है। इस क्लब ने अपने सदस्यों को प्रशिक्षण देने के लिए एक अच्छी प्रतिष्ठा का निर्माण किया है। क्लब कई विमानों के मॉडल होने का दावा कर सकता है मैंने विमान में इंजन के कामकाज के बारे में बहुत कुछ सीखा है। इलेक्ट्रॉनिक सिस्टम जो उड़ान मशीन को नियंत्रित करती है जटिल है, लेकिन यह मेरी समझ से परे नहीं है।

मेरी पढ़ाई पूरी करने के बाद, मुझे एक अच्छी वायुसेना में एक उपयुक्त नौकरी मिलेगी। जब मैं एक पायलट की वर्दी पहनूँगा तो मैं सबसे खुशहाल व्यक्ति हूँ। आशा है कि मैं अपने जीवन में लक्ष्य को पूरा करेगा यह मुझे और आगे बढ़ेगा जब तक मैं अपना लक्ष्य नहीं समझ पाया तब तक मैं आराम नहीं करूँगा। मेरे सपने को पूरा करने में भगवान मुझे आशिर्वाद दे सकते हैं।

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स्त्रीशिक्षा और प्रगति

‘स्त्री’ यह एक ऐसा स्वर है जिसने हर एक जिंदगी को सँवारा है। ‘स्त्री’ हमेशा से जग-निर्माता कहलाती है। एक ऐसा शब्द जिसकी अनमोलता को व्यक्त नहीं किया जा सकता वह शब्द है ‘माँ’। कहा जाता है कि इस संसार में माँ से ऊँचा दर्जा किसी अन्य व्यक्ति को नहीं दिया जा सकता है और हम सब इस वाक्य से परिचित हैं और पूर्णरूपी सहमत भी। ‘स्त्री’ एक ऐसी शक्ति है जिसका हाथ हर एक की प्रगति में होता है। परंतु इस स्त्री को प्रगति की ओर मुड़ने पर हम सब समाजवालों को क्यों ऐतराज होता है ?

हमें जन्म देनेवाली माँ से लेकर हमारी जीवनसंगिनी जो हमारा जीवनभर साथ देने का वचन देती है वह भी एक स्त्री है। जिसने हमारी भलाई के लिए इस जग को त्याग दिया हम उस व्यक्ति की अप्रगति के लिए क्या कुछ नहीं करते हैं। कदम-कदम पर रोक-टोक, कई प्रकार के बँधने और अन्य चीजे यह सब हर स्त्री को सहना पड़ता है। परंतु, आखिर में यह प्रश्न पड़ता है, आखिर क्यों ? क्या इस जग में ऐसा कोई होगा जिसके पास मेरे यह सवाल का जवाब हो ? नहीं, यहाँ पर स्त्री को बंधी बनकर रहना पड़ता है। उन्हे अपने पैरों की धूल-मिटटी समझी जाती है।

‘भारत’ इस देश के नाम में ही एकता छलकती है। इस देश के स्वयं अंदाज से ही भाईचारा का एहसास होता है। हम सभी भारतीय प्राचीन काल के आज्ञाकारी

हैं। उन दिनों में बात कुछ ऐसी थी कि स्त्री परिवार का अहम सदस्य नहीं मानी जाती थी। ना तो शिक्षा का अधिकार ना ही जीने का अधिकार। लड़कियों को भ्रूण में ही मार दिया जाता था। बच्चियाँ जन्म लेने से पहले ही अपनी आँखें बंद कर लेती थी। माहौल जो ऐसा बना था उसमें किसी का दोष नहीं था। क्योंकि उस जमाने में शिक्षा की अहमियत नहीं थी।

परंतु हम आज के नागरिक हैं। नई सोच, नई उम्मंगें और नई जवानी इन सब चीजों ने स्त्री के बंधनों को तोड़ दिया है। आगे बढ़कर सबने समान शिक्षा प्राप्त करने का निर्णय ले लिया है। परंतु अब जब स्त्री ने स्वयं यह कदम उठाया है तब भी समाज के भेड़िये उनका शिकार करने के लिए हर पल सजग रहते हैं। इस पर भी दोष हम स्त्रियों को ही दिया जाता है। एक तरफ जब हम खुद आगे बढ़कर सफलता पाना चाहते हैं तो दुसरी तरफ हमें रोकने के उपाय सोचे जाते हैं। हम स्त्रियों को तो लगता है कि क्या स्त्री का जन्म लेना गुनाह है ?

अगर मुझसे कोई आकर पूछे तो मैं कहूँगी कि हम भी मनुष्य हैं। जीने का अधिकार हमें भी है। हमें खून के आँसू मत रूलाओ। प्रगति की ओर हम भी बढ़ना चाहते हैं।

स्त्री ही जीवन हैं।

स्त्री बचाओ, स्त्री पढ़ाओ।

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जल ही जीवन है

‘जल ही जीवन है’ यह एक सत्य कथन है। जल के बिना जीवन की कल्पना भी असंभव है। पृथ्वी ही एक ऐसा ग्रह है जहाँ जल उपस्थित है वह भी पर्याप्त मात्रा में। पृथ्वी का तीन-चौथाई से भी अधिक भाग जल से घिरा है। जल का यही अनुपात हमारे शरीर में भी होता है। दूसरे ग्रहों जैसे, शनि, बृहस्पति, मंगल आदि पर जीवन के कोई लक्षण नहीं हैं क्योंकि वहाँ जल का अभाव है। जहाँ जल है वहीं जीवन के आवश्यक तत्व ताप, प्राणवायु, भोजन आदि पाये जाते हैं। जल जीवन की प्रथम अनिवार्य शर्त है।

जल जीवन के सभी रूपों प्रकारों मनुष्य, पेड़-पौधे, पशु-पक्षी आदि के लिए अनिवार्य पदार्थ है। हम जानते हैं कि जल कई रूपों में पाया जाता है। वायुमंडल में गैस के रूप में, तरल पानी के रूप में और हिम के रूप में इसे हम देख सकते हैं। हम अपनी आवश्यकताओं की पूर्ति विभिन्न तरह से करते हैं जैसे नदियों, तालाबों, कुँओं, झील-झरनों इत्यादि से। पानी भाप बनकर ऊपर उठता है और यही भाप ठंडी होकर पानी के रूप में पृथ्वी पर बरसता है। पानी का यह चक्र निरंतर चलता रहता है। समुद्र में भी जल का अमिट भंडार होता है परंतु इसमें नमक मिला हुआ रहता है जिसके कारण यह बहुत खारा होता है और हम इसका सीधा प्रयोग में नहीं ला सकते हैं।

पानी का प्रयोग हम पीने, नहाने-धोने, सफाई करने, सिंचाई करने, कल-कारखानों को चलाने, विद्युत पैदा करने इत्यादि के लिए करते हैं। हम आये दिन देख सकते हैं कि हमें सूखा, अकाल इत्यादि का सामना करना पड़ रहा है। हमारे देश में हजारों ऐसे गाँव हैं जहाँ पीने के पानी का अभाव है। वहाँ जो जल थोड़ी मात्रा में उपलब्ध है वह भी प्रदूषित है। शहरों और गावों में भी यही हाल है। सरकार इन जगहों पर कुछ सीमित मात्रा में जल की आपूर्ति करती है। बढ़ती जनसंख्या और औद्योगिकरण के कारण प्रायः सभी जगहों पर जल का अभाव अनुभव किया जा रहा है। अतः इसी

कारण पानी के लिए लम्बी-लम्बी कतार सभी जगह देखी जा सकती है।

पानी की आपूर्ति संबंधी योजनाओं पर प्रतिवर्ष करोड़ों रूपया खर्च किया जाता है परंतु सब बेकार ही चला जाता है। योजनाओं का बहुत सारा पैसा बिचौलिये ही खा जाते हैं और खोनी योजना बना हुआ रहता है वह वही के वही पड़ा रहता है। इनका कोई परिणाम ही नहीं मिलता। देश के अनेक राज्यों जैसे राजस्थान, गुजरात, उड़ीसा, उत्तरप्रदेश आदि के विभिन्न भागों में सूखा और अकाल हर वर्ष की सामान्य की बात है। इन राज्यों में वर्षा आवश्यकता से कम होती है या फिर होती ही नहीं है। परिणाम यह होता है हर वर्ष सूखा पड़ता है, खेती नष्ट हो जाती है, जानवर मर जाते हैं, भूखमरी से लोगों में त्राहि-त्राहि हो उठती है और लोगों को अपनी जिंदगी के साथ साथ अपने जानवरों की जिंदगी बचाने के लिए दूसरी जगहों पर पलायन होना पड़ता है।

आज हमें वर्षा जल को संचित करने की आवश्यकता है। इसके लिए सबसे पहले जल के महत्व को समझना बहुत जरूरी है तभी केवल हम जल को अधिक मात्रा में संचित कर सकते हैं। भारत विश्व के सबसे ज्यादा वर्षा देशों में से एक है फिर भी यहाँ जल का पीने का पानी का अभाव है क्योंकि हम वर्षाजल को यूँ ही बर्बाद कर रहे हैं। जल के पारंपारिक तरीकों को अपनाते हुए हम थोड़ा-बहुत परिवर्तन में ला सकते हैं। इसके लिए छोटे छोटे बाँध, तालाब, कुँए, नहर चैक डैम आदि का निर्माण करके वर्षा जल को बर्बाद होने से बचा सकते हैं, इस तरह जल का स्तर ऊपर ही रहेगा और कुएँ नहीं सुखेंगे और पीने का पानी का अभाव कम हो जाएगा। इसके लिए हम वृक्षारोपण भी कर सकते हैं और मिट्टी के कटाव को रोक सकते हैं। हमें प्रकृति का आदर करते हुए प्रकृति द्वारा दिए गए उपहारों का समझदारी से उपयोग करना चाहिए।

Ankita Akka
XII BA

“स्त्रीशिक्षा” और समाज

‘स्त्री’ यह शब्द का मतलब हमारे जीवन में बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है। स्त्री हमारे जीवन में बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है। स्त्री ही हैं जो आज सब क्षेत्र में प्रगति कर रही हैं।

आज के समय में भी कुछ लोग हैं जो औरतों को कम समझते हैं। स्त्री घर में और घर के बाहर भी अहम हैं। औरत घर में काम तो करती हो है पर बाहर का काम भी संभालती है। मर्द स्त्री को अपने पैर की जूती समझते हैं। उनको स्त्री अपने फायदे के लिए चाहिए। आज भी देश में स्त्रियों को वह आदर नहीं दिया जाता जिसकी वह हकदार है। देश में दर एक दिन स्त्रियों के बारे में कुछ-न-कुछ जानने को मिलता है। छेड़कानी, बलात्कार आदि जैसी चीजों ने स्त्री का जीना मुश्किल कर दिया है। परंतु अब स्त्री हर क्षेत्र में मर्दों से आगे है। हर एक क्षेत्र में वह सफलता पा रही है। समाज ही नहीं बल्कि देश की भी प्रगति कर रही है।

ऐसा कहा जाता है हर कामयाब आदमी के पिछे एक औरत का हात होता है। औरत घर भी संभालती है, बच्चों को प्यार देती है, उन्हें अच्छे संस्कार देती है जिसके कारण बच्चों को ज्ञान देती है और देश की प्रगति होती है। कल्पना चावला, गीता सिंह फोगाट, सानिया मिर्जा ऐसे औरतों ने मेहनत कर देश का नाम रोशन किया है। हमें इनसे बहुत प्रेरणा मिलती है। पहले स्त्री की जिंदगी तो

चूला-चौकी और बच्चे संभालने में निकल जाती थी। पर अब समय ने बहुत बड़ी करवट ली है। आज स्त्री तो पढ़ाई करके होटल मैनेजमेंट, सेफ बनकर खाना बनाना सीख रही है। जो औरत बच्चों को संभालती थी आज भी वह बच्चों की संभालती है पर उन्हें शिक्षित कराके, स्कूलों में टीचर बनकर तो घर में माँ बनकर वह उनको अच्छी शिक्षा दे रही है।

एक स्त्री एक साथ बहुत कर्तव्य निभाती है। स्त्री किसी की बहन है, किसी की बेटी है और सबसे महत्वपूर्ण वह एक माँ है। भगवान ने औरतों को ही माँ बनाया क्योंकि वह ही है जो सबका ध्यान रखती है। जब एक मनुष्य शिक्षित होता है तो वह खुदकी प्रगति करता है, अपने बारे में ही सोचता है लेकिन जब एक स्त्री शिक्षित होती है तो वह समाज की भी प्रगति करती है। भगवान हर जगद नहीं रह सकता इसलिए उसने स्त्री को बनाया है।

स्त्री का महत्व जीवन का आदर है। स्त्रियों को आदर दीजिए ओर उन्हें किसी से कम नहीं समझना चाहिए।

स्त्री ने कि हर क्षेत्र में प्रगति
इसलिए चल रही हैं जीवन की गति।

Lavina Fernandes
XII Science
1st Prize

“प्रगति में स्त्रीशिक्षा योगदान”

समाज के विकास और निर्माण में नारी का महत्वपूर्ण योगदान रहा है। अगर नारी न होती तो यह समाज अपूर्ण होता। नारी के बिना कुछ भी संभव नहीं है। पहले जमाने में नारी को चार-दिवारी में कैद करके रखा जाता था। स्त्री को गुलाम समझा जाता था। उस पर सिर्फ घर के काम करने के लिए दबाव डाला जाता था।

लेकिन सिर्फ यही नारी की जिंदगी नहीं है। एक स्त्री अपनी जिंदगी में कई किरदार निभाती है वह एक माँ, बहन, पत्नी, बहु, बेटी भी होती है। समाज में आज भी कई जगहों पर नारीयों को कम समझा जाता है। हिंदी की एक कवि ने नारी की जिंदगी को प्रस्तुत पंक्तियों से दर्शाया है।

‘अबला जीवन हाय। यही तुम्हारी कहानी।
आँचल में है दूध, और आँखों में है पानी।’

परंतु जहाँ अंधेरा होता है वहाँ प्रकाश भी होता है, हमारे समाज के कुछ महापुरुषों ने नारी के लिए आवाज उठाई और उसी कारण आज नारी जीवन के हर एक क्षेत्र में बिना किसी डर के हिस्सा लेती है। स्त्रीयों ने खेल-कूद, विज्ञान आदि क्षेत्रों में बहुत नाम कमाया है। हमारे समाज में नारी अब पुरुषों के बराबर समझी जाती है।

अगर नारी न होती तो यह समाज में जो महापुरुषों ने जन्म लिया है शायद वह भी नहीं होते। माँ की गोद ममता से भरी होती है। हर एक बच्चे की पहली गुरु उसकी माँ होती है। अगर जिजामाता न होती तो शायद वीर छत्रपती शिवाजी जैसे महावीर हमारे समाज को न मिलते।

इसलिए स्त्रीयों का पढ़ना बहुत जरूरी है। अगर एक स्त्री पढ़ती है तो उसका अभाव उसके पुरे परिवार पर पड़ता है। एक स्त्री से बहुत लोगों को शिक्षा मिलती है। हमारे समाज में कई स्त्रीयों ने सफलता प्राप्त की है जैसे झाँसी की रानी, प्रिया दत्त, खेल कुद के क्षेत्र में सानिया मिरजा, सायना नेहवाल, इत्यादी!

स्त्री शिक्षा के लिए अभी विभिन्न प्रकार के ‘एन. जी. ओ.’ (N.G.O.) चलाए जा रहे हैं। यह मंडले स्त्री कि प्रगती के लिए समाज से लड़ती है। यह मंडलों ने स्त्री की प्रगती में एक महत्वपूर्ण किरदार अदा किया है।

इसलिए स्त्रीशिक्षा बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है। परंतु कहा जाता है बेटी पढ़ेगी, तो समाज में प्रगती होगी।

Adiba Quershi
XI B Science
IIIrd Prize

दिवाली और शोर

पिछले पंद्रह दिनों से लगातार पटाखों का शोर ने मेरी नींद उड़ा दी है। मैं तंग आ गया हूँ घर में बीमार पत्नी कराह रही थी। मैं ने नीचे जाकर लोगों से मिन्नतें की लेकिन त्योहार के नाम पर शोर मचानेवालों ने परंपरा की बात कहकर मेरा मजाक उड़ाया। नियम से दस बजे तक ही पटाके फोड़ने चाहिए लेकिन पुरी रात तक इसका क्रम चलता रहा। दिवाली के दिन तो हद हो गई। जिसने मुझे चिढ़ाया था, परंपरा की दुहाई दी थी, संस्कृति और पर्व के नाम पर भाषण सुनाया था, पटाखे के धमारे से उसके पिता को दिल का दौरा पड़ा। आधी रात को हम लोग उन्हें अस्पताल ले गए पर दुर्भाग्य कि अब वे एक जिंदा लाश बनकर रह गए हैं।

ध्वनि प्रदूषण का कुषभाव सारी खुशियों पर पानी फेर गया। मैंने सुबह सारे कचरे को इकट्ठा करवाकर जलाया, सफाई करवाई, युवको, बड़ो व बच्चों को बुलाकर समझाया कि जितना पैसा पटाखों में खर्च किया जाता है, उतने पैसों से हम बगीचा बनवा सकते हैं, जो हमें प्रदूषण से राहत देगा। फिर किसी को जिंदा लाश नहीं बनना पड़ेगा। त्योहार खुशियाँ बाँटने के लिए होते हैं, दर्द देने के लिए नहीं। थोड़े लोगों में सहमति बनी। आज हमारी सोसायटी का बगीचा अन्य लोगों के

लिए आदर्श बन चुका है। सबने पटाके न फोड़ने का संकल्प तो नहीं किया किंतु नियमानुसार फोड़कर पर्व को मनाने का निर्णय आवश्यक लेना चाहिए।

व्यक्ति संस्कारों से सँवरता है, निखरता है। उसके व्यक्तिगत को बढने का कार्य भी संस्कार ही करता है। किशोरावस्था और कुमारावस्था में छात्रों के लिए संस्कारगत मूल्यों की शिक्षा अनिवार्य है। इसका मानव जीवन के आचरण पर अत्याधिक प्रभाव पड़ता है। कुछ नीतिपूर्वक मूल्य मनुष्य को आदर्श नागरिक बनाने में सहायक होते हैं। इस संदर्भ में किसी महान मानव के चरित्र के ऊपर भी कुछ लिखा जा सकता है। उदाहरणार्थ कुछ संकेत निम्नलिखित हैं:-

- १) जनमत का आदर करनेवाला मानव वास्तविक नायक बन जाता है। संसार के महान पुरुषों के चरित्र को आधार बनाकर इस कथन को अभिव्यक्ति दी जा सकती है।
- २) आज शहरी जीवन से स्वार्थप्लता इतनी बढ गई है कि अपनत्व का भाव तुप्त होता जा रहा है। संवेदना दुबली होती जा रही है, मानवता कही नं कही लुप्त होती जा रही है।

Shekh
XI Arts

“त्वमेव माता - पिता”

पला पोसा बड़ा किया, कष्ट दिया न कोय,
अपनी तो संतान की चिता, हर माँ-बाप को होय।

यही जीवन का सार है, यही है पालनहार,
आजा मैं जो रहे इनकी, सब खुशियाँ मिलती तोय।

चाहे तपती धुप हो, चाहे अंधियारी रात,
साथ कभी न छोड़ते, असे माँ-बाप की जात।

माँ तो लोरी देत है, पिता देत है डांट,
मिलकर तबहुं रहत है, खाते है मिल बांट।

मात-पिता रक्षक है, मेरे, मात-पिता भगवान,
इनके बिना न रहते है, मानव जीवन आसान।

छलावा है, संसार ये, पकड़ हाथ दे छोड़
माँ-बाप रहे संग सदा, चाहे जो हो जीवन मोड़।

पिता से ही सुख-संपदा, माँ से है संस्कार,
जिस घर में न ये रहे, वो घर है बेकार।

इश्वर के अस्तित्व पे काहे करे विचार,
घर में ही तो रहत है, तेरा माँ-बाप का धार।

वाद-विवाद तू छोड़ के जो नतमस्तक होय,
मान बाप के आशीर्वाद से, सब काम सफल फिर होय।

परवरिश का ही खेल है, जो हुए सौभाग्य से मेल,
माँ-बाप न होते जो जीवन में, जीवन बन जाता जेल।

प्रेम, प्रेम हर कोई करे, अर्थ न जाने कोई,
जो मात-पिता के शरण रहे, वही प्रेममय होय।

सेवा कर के पुण्य कमाइए, माँ-बाप को खुशी फिर
होय,

राह खुले जीवन का सदा, संकट रहे न कोय।

दस-दस संतान भी पाल ली, जब तक या माँ-बाप का
राज
कर्ज न उतार सके कोई, कर ले कितने भी काज।

जीवन की सच्चाई है, बात नहीं ये आम,
माँ-बाप की सेवा ओ करी, तो हो गए चारो धाम।

श्रद्धा दिल में राखिये, चरणन में शीश नवाय
इनके आशीर्वाद से, सब जन्म सफल हो जाया।

देख लिया संसार मना, मिला एक ही ज्ञान,
भेज दिए माता-पिता, जो न पहुँचे भगवान।

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सूर्य अस्त हो रहा था। पक्षी चहचहाते हुए अपने - अपने नीडों की ओर जा रहे थे। गाँव की कुछ स्त्रियाँ पानी लेने के लिए, घड़े लेकर कुएँ की ओर चल पड़ीं। पानी भरकर कुछ स्त्रियाँ तो अपने घरों को लौट गईं परंतु उनमें से चार कुएँ की पक्की जगत पर बैठकर आपस में इधर-उधर की बातें करनी लगीं। बातचीत करते-करते बात बेटों पर आ पहुँची। उनमें से एक की उम्र बड़ी लग रही थी। वह कहने लगी, “भगवान सबको मेरे जैसा बेटा दे। मेरा बेटा लाखों में एक है। हीरा है। उसका कंठ बहुत मधुर है। वह बहुत अच्छा गाता है। उसके गीत को सुनकर कोयल और मैना भी चुप हो जाती हैं। लोग बड़े चाव से उसका गीत सुनते हैं।”

उसकी बात सुनकर दूसरी स्त्री का मन हुआ कि वह भी अपने बेटे की प्रशंसा करे। उसने पहली स्त्री से कहा, “मेरे बेटे की बराबरी कोई नहीं कर सकता। वह बहुत ही शक्तिशाली और बहादुर है। वह बड़े-बड़े बहादुरों को भी पछाड़ देता है। वह आधुनिक युग का भीम है।” यह सब सुनकर तीसरी औरत भला कैसे चुप रहती। वह बोल उठी, मेरा बेटा साक्षात् बृहस्पति का अवतार है। वह जो कुछ पढ़ता है, एकदम याद कर लेता है। ऐसा लगता है मानों उसके कंठ में सरस्वती का निवास हो। हीरा है हीरा, मेरा बेटा”

तीनों औरतों की बातें सुनकर चौथी स्त्री चुपचाप बैठी रही। उसने अपने बेटे के बारे में कुछ न कहा। पहली ने उसे टोकते हुए कहा, “क्यों बहन तुम क्यों चुप हो तुम भी तो अपने बेटे के बारे में कुछ बताओ” चौथी स्त्री ने बड़े ही सहज भाव से कहा, “मैं अपने बेटे की क्या प्रशंसा

करूँ! वह न तो गंधर्व - सा गायक है, न भीम-सा बलवान और न ही सरस्वती का रूप।”

कुछ समय बाद जब वे सब सिर पर घड़े रखकर लौटने लगीं, तभी किसी के गाने का मधुर स्वर सुनाई पड़ा। सुनकर पहली स्त्री बोली, “सुनो, मेरा हीरा गा रहा है। तुम लोगों ने सुना, उसका कंठ कितना मधुर है!” वह लड़का गीत गाता हुआ, उसी रास्ते से निकल गया। उसने अपनी माँ की ओर कोई ध्यान नहीं दिया। इतने में दूसरी स्त्री का बेटा उधर आता दिखाई दिया। दूसरी स्त्री उसे देखकर गर्व से बोली, “देखो वह मेरा लाड़ला आ रहा है। शक्ति और सामर्थ्य में इसकी बराबरी कोन कर सकता है!” वह यह कह ही रही थी कि उसका बेटा भी उसकी ओर बिना ध्यान दिए ही निकल गया।

वे कुछ आगे बढ़ीं तो एकाएक तीसरी स्त्री का बेटा उधर से संस्कृत के श्लोकों का पाठ करता हुआ निकला। उसके उच्चारण से ऐसा लग रहा था मानो उसके कंठ में साक्षात् सरस्वती विराजमान हो। तीसरी स्त्री ने गर्व से कहा, “देखो, यही है मेरी गोद का हीरा। इसे कौन बृहस्पति का अवतार नहीं कहेगा!” परंतु उसका बेटा माँ की ओर देखकर भी अनदेखा कर आगे बढ़ गया।

वह अभी थोड़ी ही दूर गया था कि चौथी स्त्री का बेटा भी अचानक उदा से आ निकला। वह देखने में बहुत ही सीधा-सादा और सरल प्रकृति का लग रहा था। उसे देखकर चौथी स्त्री ने कहा, “बहन, यही मेरा लाल है।”

चौथी स्त्री उसके बारे में बता ही रही थी कि उसका बेटा पास आ पहुँचा। अपनी माँ को देखकर वह

रुक गया और बोला, “माँ लाओ मैं तुम्हारा घड़ा पहुँचा दूँ।” मना करने पर भी उसने माँ के सिर से पानी का भरा घड़ा उतारकर अपने सिर पर रखा और घर की ओर चल पड़ा।

तीनों औरतें बड़े ही आश्चर्य से चौथी स्त्री के बेटे को देखती रहीं। एक वृद्ध महिला, जो बहुत देर से इन औरतों के पीछे चलती हुई इनकी बातें सुन रही थी, पास आकर बोली, “देखती क्या हो ? यही ‘सच्चा हीरा’ है।”

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