

Report of the Principal

I present a brief report on the activities of our College during the academic year 2012-2013.

Enrollment

The student strength in the Degree & Junior College including both aided & unaided sections is impressive. The faculty-wise break up is as follows:

Faculty	Degree	Junior
Arts	911	458
Commerce	1428	977
Unaided	2433	240
Total	4772	1675

Total strength is 6452 including both Degree and Junior College and 5 Research students in Philosophy

New Courses introduced

We have started following courses in this academic year

- BA in Psychology
- Masters in Mass Communication and Journalism (MCJ)
- UGC Add-on Course in Conversational English
- UGC Add-on Course in Gandhian Philosophy

Examinations

Success at the Examination is an important index to evaluate the performance of an Institution.

Our **H.S.C.** results have been impressive.

- In **Commerce Faculty** our pass percentage is **92.86%**.
- **58** students secured Distinction and **234** students got First Class.

The Rankers in H.S.C. Commerce are,

1. Dias Teresa Menino	- 85.67%
2. Nalawade Shital Tukaram	- 83.67%
3. Shenoy Nikita Nityanand	- 83.67%
4. Ambre Vaishnavi Balkrishna	- 83.17%

- In **Arts faculty** our result is **67.20%** with 2 Distinctions and 30 First Classes.

The Rankers in H.S.C. ARTS are,

1. Govande Rujuta Ulhas	- 80.66%
2. Shaikh Farheen Abdul M	- 75.33%
3. Gokhale Apurva Anand	- 73.50%

Our Degree College results are as follows:

- In **Arts faculty** our result is **90.90%** with **63** First Classes.

The Rankers in TYBA are,

1. Taank Vandana (Philosophy)	- 75.66%
2. Sharma Poonam (Philosophy)	- 73.83%
3. Gavas Yogita (Geography)	- 72.16%

- In **Commerce faculty** our result is **90.56%** with 102 Distinctions and **282** First Classes.

The Rankers in T.Y.B.Com are,

1. Singh Rajesh Umesh	- 85.14%
2. Alshi Amol Anant	- 84.85%
3. Genevive Serrao	- 84.57%

- In the **BMS faculty** our result is **85.71%** with **87** First Classes.

The Rankers in TYBMS are,

1. Ghah Uddhav Sharad - (74.75%)
2. Nalwala Zainab Saifuddin - (72.17%)
3. Shaikh Ambreen Mohd.Ali - (71.25%)

- In **T.Y.B.Com Accounts and Finance** our result is **93.44%** with **54** First Classes.

The Rankers in T.Y.B.Com (Accounts and Finance) are,

1. Satle Kaminee Ramchandra - (88.08%)
2. Jain Madhukumari R. - (85.58%)
3. Madrecha Adarsh Ashok - (84.75%)

- In **T.Y.B.Com Banking and Insurance** our result is **95.92%** with **29** First Classes.

The Rankers in T.Y.B.Com Banking and Insurance are,

1. Shinde Seema Hanumant - (73.67%)
2. Shinde Smita Jaysing - (71.67%)
3. Chivilkar Shweta Bajanan - (70.25%)

- In **T.Y.B.Com Financial Markets** our result is **87.80%** with **26** First Classes.

The Rankers in T.Y.B.Com (Financial Markets) are,

1. Godse Prachi Yashwant - (74.92%)
2. Hariya Paras Kantilal - (73.08%)
2. Kadam Akshay Anandrao - (73.08%)
3. Vadhavkar Jae Ajit - (72.75%)

- In **TYBMM (Marathi Medium)** our result is **100%** with **6** Distinctions and **3** First Classes.

The Rankers from TYBMM are,

1. Zanke Snehil Shivaji - (80.83%)
2. Shevde Vaidehi Satchinand - (79.58%)
3. Ghadi Ashwini Shankar - (74.42%)

- In TYBMM (**English Medium**) our result is **83.64%** with **4** Distinctions and **27** First Classes.

The Rankers from TYBMM are,

1. Dangwal Sandhya Shantiprasad - (73.83%)
2. Velapure Namrata Natharam - (72.42%)
3. Ghangale Swapnil Subhash - (71.08%)

- In **B.Lib.Isc.** our result is **54.76%**

The Rankers in B.Lib.Isc. are,

1. Thakkar Ekta Harishbhai - (57.20%)
2. Chandgude Jyoti Rohidas - (53.40%)
3. Shitole Supriya Ramchandra - (53.00%)

- In M.Lib.Isc. our result is **100%** with **04** First Classes.

The Rankers from M.Lib.I.Sc are,

1. Gulvi Harshala Govind - (61.13%)
2. Sawant Akshata Ajit - (60.50%)
3. Shinde Rupali Dnyanadev - (60.38%)

- In **M.Com (Business Management) Part-II** our result is **76.92%**

The Rankers from M.Com (Business Management) Part-II are,

1. Choudhay Anita Prabhuram - (52.50%)
2. Raman Mahi Sundar - (52.00%)
3. Shilkar Komal Kishor - (51.00%)

- In **M.Com (Advanced Accountancy) Part-II** our result is **89.47%** with **04** First Classes.

The Rankers from M.Com.(Advanced Accountancy) Part-II are,

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| 1. Menon Varsha Pramod | - (66.38%) |
| 2. Khan Farha Sarfraj | - (64.25%) |
| 3. Patil Pragati Sarjerao | - (60.00%) |
| 3. Yadav Rajeevkumar S. | - (60.00%) |

Community College Scheme of the University of Mumbai

Our College has been awarded the Community College Scheme of the University of Mumbai

Best College Scheme of the University of Mumbai

Our College was short listed by the University of Mumbai for “Best College Scheme” for the academic year 2011-12 and the Experts Committee appointed by the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor visited our College on 11th December 2012.

CO-CURRICULAR AND CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular and extra-curricular activities are important in the development of students’ personality.

SPORTS

Our College has established a formidable reputation in the field of sports. We have well equipped Gymnasium with full time trainer for students and teachers. Under the guidance of Gymkhana Committee the sportspersons of our College have brought laurels to the College.

Some of the highlights of achievements of our Sportspersons,

- Nikhil Sarnobat won 3rd and 1st place in the 24th West Zone and Maharashtra State Athletics Championships
- Amit Pawar won Gold Medal in National Junior Athletics Competition under 20.

- Savani Kabre represented University of Mumbai in Cross Country in All India University
- Degree College Badminton Girls and Boys Teams won Silver and Bronze Medals University of Mumbai Inter-Collegiate tournament.

The rest of the details of the achievements in the field of Sports will be read out by the Chairperson of Gymkhana in her Report.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Talent Academy 2012-2013

45th University of Mumbai Youth Festival, elimination round for central zone IV was organized by our college. 27 colleges participated in events like Music, Dance, Fine Arts, Literary, and Theatre.

We participated in 25 events and qualified in 22 for the finals. In final round, we bagged 14 prizes. As a result of which, our college is now at 3rd position with 36 points in University of Mumbai.

Our three students – Ms. Ashwini Sharma, Ms. Deepika Bhide and Ms. Kshitija Joshi have been selected to represent University of Mumbai at Zonal, State and National Level.

Talent Academy organized a cultural programme to exhibit rich Indian Culture before 14 Japanese students who visited our College, under Kyoto Sangyo University Exchange Programme.

Students participated in the different competitions at Inter-Collegiate, University, etc. level and won following prizes,

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| 1. Dance | - Pallavi Lele |
| 2. Music | - Deepika Bhide, Kshitija Joshi, Swarali and Priya Thakur |
| 3. Literary | - Meerabai Rajgude, Manasi Jangam, Madhumati Bagchi and Rohit Mukkawar |
| 4. Fine Arts | - Ashwini Sharma, Namrata Sharma, Samidha Ghag |
| 5. Short film making | - Tejas Dongre, Gandhar Bedekar |
| 6. Theatre | - Aishwarya Raje |

In one-act play competitions our performance has been consistently good and in current academic year we have won many prestigious competitions. We performed Marathi one act play “Kondi” and Hindi one act play “Jummebaaz” at the following competitions,

- Mumbai University Youth Festival
- IPTA – “Indian People’s Theatre Association”, Hindi one act play competition.
- Kalpana – Ek Avishkar Anek – Marathi one act play competition.
- Antarang – organized by Kirti College
- Aarohan – organized by Ruia College
- Ms.Trupti Gaikwad, Mr.Shreyas Raje, Mr.Akshay Jadhav have won Best actress and Best actor awards.
- “Prithviraj Kapoor Trophy” – for Best production ‘Jummebaz’, Hindi one act play.
- Mr.Amol Bhor received Best Director prize for Marathi and Hindi one act play.
- Mr.Hrishikesh Koli received Best Writerprize for Marathi one act play ‘Kondi,

Gandharva

Talent Academy and Students’ Council together have been organizing ‘*Gandharva Mahotsav*’, an Inter-Collegiate cultural festival since last 5 years. Gandharva has been growing rich in popularity, quality and quantity. The number of Colleges participating has increased from 6 to 106 in these years. The theme of Gandharva’12 was ‘Village- Going back to the roots...’. One act play competition ‘*Natyamay*’ was organized for the first time in Gadkari Rangayatan.

Chrysalis

Chrysalis is the Management Event of Unaided Section. This year the 10th ‘Chrysalis’ was conducted and the theme was ‘Music Mantras- Music for Managers’. 37 Colleges participated in several events.

Some of the highlights are-

- Walkathon
- Chrys-Tenement
- Release of ‘**RTA- the Universal Truth...**’Newspaper by BMM students
- Photography exhibition
- Film promotions with interactive sessions.

Student's Forum

Vision – ‘Vaado Hi Tat_vasya Vi- Nir- Nayaya’

We have started Students' Forum for discussing the current and burning issues. Large numbers of students participate in these discussions.

The sessions conducted by the forum are –

- 1) Panel Discussion on ‘Live in relationship- Legal & Social perspective’
- 2) Guest Lecture on ‘Reading Skills’
- 3) Book Review Competition
- 4) Group Discussion on ‘Social Responsibility of Media’

Counseling Cell

The core activities conducted by the Cell during the year are as follows:

A Workshop of 5 days was organized on “Teenager: issues and challenges related to Mental Health”.

• Personal Counseling

From June to October 2012, 167 clients (73 Girls, 56 Boys, 6 Teachers and 29 outside Clients) took the benefit of Personal Counseling.

• Counseling Cell Team

The current team of Counseling Cell includes:

Asst. Prof. Mrs. Suchitra Naik (Counselor)
 Asst. Prof. Vedavati Paranjape (Counselor)
 Mrs. Seema Tokekar (Special Educator)
 Ms. Mrunmayi Deshpande (Intern)
 Ms. Radhika Kulkarni (Intern)

• Extended Services

We have extended the services of the Counseling Cell to VPM's Polytechnic from November 2012.

• Special Coaching Services:

Keeping in mind the needs of students suffering from disorders like LD,

ADHD, and Mental Retardation, this year we have started a Special Coaching for such students. We are extending this service to outside clients as well.

• ***Manthan***

The intention behind formation of *Manthan* is to sensitize the students to the realities of life. In the year 2012-13, *Manthan* had organized screening of two films viz. 'A beautiful Mind' and 'Pay It Forward'.

• **Help To Needy Students:**

Counseling Cell is supporting three of our needy students with the initiative and help of the college administration.

Women's Development Cell

The Women's Development Cell of our College provides a platform for the students to discuss the issues concerning women. Through diverse range of activities, the WDC helps in creating awareness about the gender discrimination in society.

Chairperson of WDC Asst. Prof. (Mrs.) Priyamvada Tokekar was awarded "**Savitribai Phule Adarsh Shikshika Puraskar**" of the University of Mumbai for the year 2011-12.

WDC organized and participated programmes such as, Street Play on 'Female Foeticide', Zonal level Street Plays of University of Mumbai, Community Project on 'Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment', etc.

Placement and Career Guidance Cell

Placement Cell activities includes –

- * Organizing training sessions for self employability
- * Career counseling lectures
- * Recruitment programmes in co-ordination with TCS, HDFC life, ING-Vaishya Bank, Radiant HR, Axis Bank

FILM SOCIETY

This is the fifth year of the VPM's Joshi-Bedekar College Film society. Two hundred students and teachers on the VPM campus have taken membership of the film society. During the academic year 2012-13 following films have been screened till this date:

- Umbartha (Marathi)
- The Children Are Watching Us (Italian)
- Pather Panchali (Bengali)
- Kandhar (Iranian)

Oasis Nature Club

The nature club members attended the 'Science Express', an event organized by the Ministry of Environment and Forests Govt. of India along with Indian Railways.

Swara Sampada (Joshi Bedekar College – SSJBCT) (New)

- Swara Sampada Joshi Bedekar College was inaugurated on February 2011 by President Dr. (Mrs.) Shakuntala A. Singh and Vice President Dr. (Mrs.) Shobha Doshi.
- Its mission is "To help the Evolution of Bathroom Singers into Drawing Room Singers; and Drawing Room Singers into Stage Singers".
- It seeks to bring to the fore the dormant musical talents of its members and encourages its growth in an atmosphere of appreciation and cooperation.
- This the Second year Swara Sampada Joshi Bedekar College an till this date 11 programs with special theme based songs of Lata, Mukesh, Mohd.Rafi, Asha, Kishor Kumar, Shankar Jaikishan and free songs have been organized.
- Annual Day programme was conducted on 22th February 2012.

N.C.C. Naval Unit (New)

The activities and achievements of 1 Maharashtra NCC Naval Unit of our college are as follows,

1. Celebration of Independence Day on 15th August 2012
2. Cadet Aksyaya Jadyer and Cadet Sawitri Rathod won Gold medals in Cross Country 4500 meters in Ambarnath Marathon 201
3. 21 cadets participated in Annual Training Camp (ATC) held at Wadala Militray Station, Mumbai. We are happy to inform you that performance of our cadets brought sliver line to the college.
 - i. Cadet Aksyaya Jadyer got Silver Medal in Cross Country
 - ii. Cadet Rashmi Shyani got Bronze Medal in Cross Country
 - iii. Cadet Shweta Kumbhar got Silver Medal in Essay Competition
 - iv. Cadet Punam Bhatkal got Bronze Medal in Ship Modeling
 - v. Cadet Chaya Sankpal got Prize in Dance Competition.
4. Assistant Professor Deepak Sable, ANO of this unit shouldered important responsibility in the Inter Group Competition (IGC) camp held at Wadala Militray Station, Mumbai.
5. Cadet Sawati Mankekar won Gold Medal in Rigging Competition in the Inter Group Competition (IGC) camp held at Wadala Militray Station, Mumbai.
6. The cadets helped local Police in co-rdinating vehicular traffic during Ganpati Emersion.
7. 20 Cadets were selected to participate in Second Annual Training Camp (ATC), held at Military Station, Wadala, Mumbai.

N.C.C. Army Girls Unit

We enrolled sixty cadets in the year 2012-13. This year our cadets participated in various State Level as well as National Level Camps.

All cadets participated in Pre-Thal Sainik Camp, special National Integration Camp, National Integration Camp, Hospital Attachment Camp etc.

Our Cadet Ruta Vaity was selected at BN level for personality development course held at Gwalior.

Cadet Kajal Gawde was selected at BN level for Mountaineering Camp conducted by Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Utterkashi.

Cadet Pooja Gawde was selected for Republic Day Camp through 'Lazim Activity'. Cadets enthusiastically participated in all the events.

NSS

The NSS Unit bagged the prize of highest Blood Collection in Thane District for the academic year 2011-12. In the evaluation session it was honored as the 'Most Participative Unit of Thane District'.

- On 29th April 2012 NSS Unit and Andhashraddha Nirmulan Samiti organized 'Prerana Melava'
- NSS volunteers attended State level and District level
- NSS Volunteer Sayali Waghapurkar attended Pre-NRD Camps at Jalgaon.
- On NSS Day Shri. Sudhakar Suradkar Retired IG , talked to the students about 'Police, Society and Students'.
- Civil Awareness campaign was organized and Street Plays were performed on Disaster Management.

Generation Dialogue

Generation Dialogue Committee invited Shri. L. Krishnan of Senior Citizens Club in order to guide the students.

Vyas Sabha

It is a forum for teachers to discuss issues of societal importance.

Some of the topics discussed in the Vyas Sabha are:

- Time Management and Us.
- Influence of Media on Family Life.
- Issue of Kasab's Execution and Death Penalty.
- Changing Parenting Styles in modern times.
- Portrayal of Women in Reel Life.

Vivekanand Study Circle

Vivekananda study circle conducted following activities during 2012-13

- Three months 'Yoga Course'

- ‘*Bharat Jagao Vishwa Jagao*’ programme in co-ordination with Vivekananda Kendra at Kanyakumari.
- Training of Yoga, Meditation, Group-discussion, etc.

Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension (DLLE)

This program was established on October 12, 1978, recognized as a Statutory Department of the University of Mumbai since 1994. The motto is ‘To Reach The Unreached’. DLLE program was introduced in our college in 2011.

Parent-Teachers Meeting

Teachers-Parents relationship is important for the smooth functioning of the Institution. A number of Departments in Degree College have arranged meetings with the parents.

Parent-Teachers Association (Jr.College)

Right to Education Act, has made Parent Teacher Association mandatory for all schools and Junior Colleges but in College it is existing for last many years.

Arts Circle (Jr.College)

Arts Circle organized programme on Career Guidance and Singing talent.

Intensive Coaching Committee

Intensive Coaching Committee provides special coaching and guidance to select students of 12th standard Arts & Commerce faculty.

At the end of the year the committee had organized remedial lectures for all subjects, for below average students.

LITERARY ASSOCIATION (Jr.College)

Literary Association had conducted work-shops and programmes on Writing Skills, Grammar, Creative Art, Folk Literature, etc.

Scholars' Academy (Jr.College)

Junior College Scholars' Academy had organized following programmes for the Academic Year 2012 – 2013,1

SUDOKU Competition, Map -reading, Quiz Competition, News reading,etc.

National Seminar

On 15th December 2012, a National Seminar on 'Jammu and Kashmir Affairs' was organized in collaboration with an NGO, Forum for Integrated National Security (FINS)\

Forth coming National Seminar

The College is going to organize Two Days National Seminar on 'Geography of Change : Contemporary Issues in Development, Environment and Society' on 11th and 12th January 2013.

Achievements of Teaching Staff

We are fortunate to have a band of dedicated teachers and supporting staff.

Following are some of the achievements of our teaching and non-teaching staff

- **Principal, Dr.(Mrs.) Shakuntala A. Singh**
 - Became the **NAAC Assessor/Peer Team Member** and **Assessed 3 Colleges** till this date
 - **Invited as Chief Guest** for Annual Gathering & Prize distribution function in Sahakar VPM's English Medium Primary School and Vaze College.
 - **Nominated as Chairperson** of the University Tournament & Selection Committee for Ball Badminton (M & W) for the year 11-12.
 - **Invited on the Panel of Interview** for the post of Principal in R.Z.Shah College.
 - **Visited as Local Inquiry Committee Member (LIC)** in Gokhale Education Society's Arts & Commerce College, Javhar.

- **Invited to become a member of Subject Board in Philosophy** by K.J.Somaiya College of Arts & Commerce (Autonomous College).
 - **MSN – Sub-Editor** for the year 2011-12.
- **Dr. (Mrs.) Shobha Doshi** was awarded Ph.D. in Philosophy by the University of Mumbai
- **Assoc. Prof. (Mrs.) S. V. Bhide** appointed as the Co-ordinator of the Community College to be started in collaboration with University of Mumbai and Hindustan Coca Cola Beverages
- **Assoc. Prof. Damodar Morey:**
- Received *Srujanshree* International Award
 - Participated and read papers in 3 International and 4 National Seminars/Conferences
- **Ms.Priyamvada Tokekar** was awarded ‘Smt. Savitribai Phule Adarsh Shikshika Puraskar’ for the year 2011-12 by the University of Mumbai.
- **Prof. N.S. Barse** , Librarian and Co-ordinator of Department of Library and Information Science
- Invited as a resource person by Department of Library and Information Science, University of Pune in the Refresher Course.
 - Appointed as an Advisor by Thane Marathi *Granthasangrahalay* for Library Automation Project.
 - Coordinated Refresher Course in Library and Information Science in our College under the aegis of UGC Academic Staff College, University of Mumbai.
 - Worked as a Subject Expert Member of Review Committee constituted by the government of Maharashtra for reviewing superannuation age of college teachers
 - Appointed by Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, University of Mumbai, as a Chairman of the Ad-hoc Board in Library and Information Science and subsequently became the member of following bodies of the University of Mumbai,
*Academic Council

- * Faculty of Arts
- *Board of University Teaching and Research for the Faculty of Arts
- *Research Review Committee in Library and Information Science.

- **Dr. (Ms.) Jayashree Singh** was awarded **Ph. D.** in Hindi and got **Rashtrabhasha Gaurav Samman** of Akhil Bharteey Hindi Sevi Sangh, Alhabad

Apart from this 21 teachers have presented papers in International/National Seminars 3 teachers have written text books and 9 teachers have qualified NET/SET Examinations

- **Mr.Sagarsing Patil** from non-teaching staff completed graduation in Marathi Literature .

In conclusion I would like to place on record the support & guidance from the Management, co-operation from Teachers, Supporting Staff, and Students' Council & Students. With such overwhelming goodwill we will be able to realize our vision of 'Information to Knowledge and Knowledge to Wisdom" and quest for excellence.

Thank You

Special Achievements

- 1) Rolling Trophy to the Best Student - **Ashwini Sharma**
- 2) Ghanshamdas Trophy to the Best Student – **Siddhant Atkare**
- 3) Late Shri.G.K.Dandekar Guruji Prize (Through Shri.Suresh Dandekar) to be awarded to the Best Student in College recommended by the Principal-
Ankush Sharma
- 4) Best Student (Arts Faculty Deg. College) - **Vasundhara Rajeshirke & Anju Joseph**
- 5) Best Student (Comm. Faculty Deg. College- **Prasad Gawade & Ameya Kale**
- 6) Best Students unaided Courses- **Renilda D' Almeda & Rucha Shukla**
- 7) Best Student (Arts Faculty Junior College)- **Asmita Sharma**
- 8) Best Student (Comm. Faculty Junior College) - **Husain Rokadia**
- 9) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize of (Through Shri D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to be awarded every year to the Best Army cadet among the student of this college - **SGT Ankita Nikam**
- 10) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize of (Through Shri.D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to be awarded every year to the Best Sports Person among the student of this college - **Vallari Bukane**
- 11) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize of (Through Shri.D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to be awarded every year to the Best Orator among the student of this college - **Meerabai Rajgude**
- 12) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize of (Through Shri.D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to be awarded every year to the Best Essay Writer among the student of this college - **Manoj Bansode**
- 13) Best Student of Theatre: **Trupti Gaikwad & Shreyas Raje**
- 14) Best Student of Creative Arts: **Samidha Ghag**

15) Best Student of Music -**Deepika Bhide**

16) Best NSS Volunteer (State Level) - **Akshay Bhilare & Sayali Waghapurkar**

17) Best performance (students' council member) **Akshay Hegde**

18) Special Prize- **Vedanka Nimbkar** for Creative and Innovative Work done by Students' Council Member for conducting all Fine Arts Workshop