

Report of the Principal

I present a brief report on the activities of our College during the academic year 2013-2014.

Enrollment

The student strength in the Degree & Junior College including unaided sections is as following,

Faculty	Degree	Junior
Arts	905	591
Commerce	1431	959
Unaided	2635	240
Total	4971	1790

Total strength 6761 + 4 Research Students in Philosophy = 6765

New Courses Introduced

We have started following new courses

Undergraduate Courses

- Community College (SMART – Course of 2 Years)

Post Graduate courses

- MA (by papers) in Philosophy
- MA (by papers) in Hindi

Results

Our **H.S.C.** result is as follows,

- **Commerce Faculty** passing percentage - **91.03%**. with 102 Distinctions and **224** First Classes.

The topper in H.S.C. Commerce is Pawar Pooja Vikas who scored - 89.17%

- **Arts faculty** passing percentage- **77.27%** with 8 Distinctions and 38 First Classes.

The Topper in H.S.C. Arts is Kulkarni Revati Milind who scored 84.83%

She also stood 1st in Sanskrit in Mumbai Board

Our Degree College result is as follows:

- In **Arts faculty** our result is **83.33%** with **43** First Classes.

The Topper in TYBA is Apte Kanchan (Geography) who scored - 75.33%

- In **Commerce faculty** our result is **90.80%** with 111 Distinctions and **250** First Classes.

The Topper in T.Y.B.Com is, Wani Akshay Mohan who scored - 88.57%

- In **BMS faculty** our result is **67.69%**. with **46 ‘O’ Grades**.

The Topper in TYBMS is Diana Wilson who scored - (81.08%)

- In **T.Y.B.Com Accounts and Finance** our result is **100%** with **97 ‘O’ Grades**.

The Topper in T.Y.B.Com (Accounts and Finance) is Patel Shaikh Needa who scored **-87.08%**

- In **T.Y.B.Com Banking and Insurance** our result is **92.73%** with **15 ‘O’ Grades**.

The Topper in T.Y.B.Com Banking and Insurance is Todkar Prajwala who scored – 75.33%

- In T.Y.B.Com Financial Markets our result is **97.78%** with 17 ‘O’ Grade.

The Topper in T.Y.B.Com (Financial Markets) is Parab Reshma who scored –77.08%

- In TYBMM (Marathi Medium) our result is **96.77%** with 6 Distinctions.

The Topper in TYBMM is Dhumal Mohini who scored–76.08%

- In TYBMM (English Medium) our result is **90.32%** with 7 Distinctions.

The Topper in TYBMM is Gangan Swejal who scorede –77.42%

1. **The BLISc. result is 63.16% and Topper is Koparkar Ruta who scored –73.43%**

2. **The MLISc. result is 63.64% with 02 First Classes and the Toppers are Raorane Vishakha Quraishi Atyarehmen bothe of them have scored 60%**

- **M.Com (Business Management) Sem-II result is 89.47%**
- **M.Com (Advanced Accountancy) Sem-II result is 66.67%**
- **M.Com (Banking & Finance) Sem-II result is 71.43%**
- **Mass Communication & Journalism (MACJ) Sem- II result is 50%**

Sports Degree College

For the first time our College organized an inter-collegiate sports festival on 8th and 9th June 2013. More than 300 students (players) participated in this festival.

Some of the highlights of achievements of our Sportspersons,

- **Vallari Bukane** won Gold Medal in Badminton in University of Mumbai Women singles and Team championship and also qualified for National Inter-University (All India) championship
- **Purushottam Awate** won Silver Medal in Badminton in University of Mumbai Inter-Collegiate Championship and Won Inter University (West Zone) Championship and also qualified for all India National Inter University Championship.
- **Amit Pawar** won Gold Medal in Triple Jump and Sliver Medal in Long jump in University of Mumbai Inter-Collegiate and also won Sliver Medal in Triple and Long Jump in Maharashtra State Inter University Sports Championship.
- **Nokhil Sarnobat** won Gold and Sliver Medal in University of Mumbai Inter-Collegiate and Maharashtra State Inter University Sports Championship.
- **Jay Bagwe** selected for Kho Kho team University of Mumbai
- **Savani Kabre** selected for Cross Country Inter- University Championship and won Bronze Medal in University of Mumbai Inter-Collegiate

Sports Junior College

- Vaibhav Thakare won Bronze Medal in State level Martial Arts and won silver Medal in State Level Karate competition
- Pragati Dixit won silver Medal in State Level Karate competition

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

Talent Academy 2013-2014

- Our College participated in 46th Youth Festival of University of Mumbai and bagged following prizes,

Music and Theatre: 1st in Folk Orcheshta
 1st in One-Act Play Hindi
 Best Actress – Trupti Gaikwad
 Special jury Award – Kalpesh Samel

Fine Art: In Rangoli Ashwini Sharma was selected for National round
 In Dance Priya Tipale was selected for National Round in the University of Mumbai

Gandharva

The theme of Gandharva 2013 was “Transformation: Towards Ultimate Truth”. 103 colleges participated in various events during Gandharva.

Student’s Forum

In the academic year 2013-14 Students’ Forum was introduced in order to inculcate awareness of contemporary issues among the students. Select topics discussed were ‘Live- in relationship Legal & Social Perspective’, ‘Social Responsibility of Media’, ‘Pros & Cons Mobile Jammers’, etc.

Counseling Cell

Workshops on ‘Emotional Management’, ‘A Parental Guidance Session’ and ‘Attitude towards Sexuality’ were conducted and Personal Counseling was given to 169 persons. The Counseling services have been extended to the VPM’s Polytechnic and outside clients as well.

Manthan organized following programmes,

- Lecture on Swami Vivekananda’s Message to Youth
- Lecture of Mrs. Renu Gavskar from Eklavya Nyasa who works for the deprived children.
- Screening of the film ‘Three Faces of Eve’

Women Development Cell

WDC organised a half day workshop on Role of WDC and Anti-Ragging Committee. Ms Kranti Jejurikar, Chairperson UWDC and Dr. Mrudul Nile, Chairperson Student’s Welfare Department were chief person.

A self defense course has been started for girl students.

The WDC joined Rise Campaign initiated by MAVA (Mens against violence & Abuse) in order to create awareness about safety and security of girl students.

Placement and Career Guidance Cell

Highlights of the Placement Cell activities are,

- Job Fair for Past students in co-ordination with Axis Bank, Aliff Overseas Education. More than 35 students were selected by the companies.
- Training sessions on 'Resume writing, Logical Reasoning, Group Discussion and Interview Skills' prior to all Placement drives
- Seminar on 'Live Trading on Stock Exchange' and 'Current Job Opportunities in Market'
- Guidance lecture on 'How to crack Aptitude test'
- Recruitment programmes in co-ordination with TCS, Infosys BPO, e-Clerx Services Ltd., 31 students were selected.
- Catholic Syrian Bank recruited 2 past students by conducting entrance exam and personal interview

Staff Academy

- Talk on Savitribai Phule and other Women Reformers
- One act Play 'Billory Malan' by Sumita Tume
- Organized guest lecture on ' ICT: Past, Present and Future' by renowned writer and ICT Expert Mr. Achyut Godbole

Research Academy

A project titled 'Depiction of Heroines in Hindi Movies' was completed by our student Ms Cressida Mascarenhas and her friends.

Research Committee

The research committee conducted the following activities

- Panel discussion on Ph.D experience by Research Scholar
- Series of lectures on Research work
- A lecture on develop communication skills was conducted
- A meeting was conducted in order to guide the teachers regarding submission of Minor Research Projects
- A guidance lecture on Minor Research work
Name of Research Scholar who have already got approval from UGC

- 5 Minor Research Projects have been sanctioned and 5 more have been submitted

FILM SOCIETY screened the following films

- Zero Dark Thirty (English)
- A Seperation (Iranian)
- Rui Ka Boz (Hindi)

Oasis Nature Club organized following programmes,

Nature Treks, Awareness campaign about how to celebrate the festival, Post-Plantation drive, Field Visit to Elephanta Caves and screened a documentary called- 'The Earth-Home.

Nature Club (Jr. College) organized following programmes,

Presentation on 'Wild Life Photography'

Programme on Eco-friendly and pollution free Ganesh Utsav

- 'Best out of West' conducted by Nature Club
- 'Nisarg Mela' by Shrirang High School

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

Swara-Sampada completed its second successful year with 5 programs.

N.C.C. Naval Unit (New)

Highlights of NCC Navy

Celebration of Independence Day

Participation in Annual Training Camp (ATC) held at Goregaon.

Cadets brought the following laurels to the College,

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| i. | Cadet Suhas Kumbhar | Gold Medal in IGC (Drill) and NSC |
| ii. | Cadet Nikhil Shinde | Gold Medal in IGC (Drill) |
| iii. | Cadet Dipti Raut | Gold Medal in IGC (Drill) |

iv.	L/Cadet Ankita Patil	Silver Medal in Ship Modeling &Tug of War
v.	Cadet Rashmi Shahi	Gold Medal in Essay.
vi.	Cadet Tushar Hajare	Silver Medal in Tug of War
vii.	Cadet Rashmi Jadhav	Gold Medal in Volley Ball & Silver Medal in Tug of War
viii.	Cadet Prajakta More	Gold Medal in Volley Ball & Silver Medal Tug of War
ix.	Cadet Jyoti Tiwari	Silver Medal in Tug of War and Bronze Medal in Essay

N.C.C. Army Girls Unit

We enrolled 50 cadets in this year for I and II year of NCC. Our cadets participated in various camp conducted at State level. Cadets are enthusiastically participating in all activities of NCC.

NSS carried out the following activities,

- A lecture by Mr. Anil Kumbhare superintendent of Police (SP), Thane
- Street-Play and awareness campaign about the importance of voting
- Residential camp was organized at Hindu Seva Sangh
- Two Blood Donation camps were organized
- Civil Defense Course was conducted
- Community Level Programme such as Environment Enrichment, Disaster Management, etc. were organized
- Participated in the University Level, State and National Level camps

Some important programmes of Junior College NSS are- Photography contest, 'Nisarg Mela' and a guest lecture on 'Superstitions'

Generation Dialogue has initiated a programme of selling of "Rakhis" made by blind and mentally disabled children of 'Sobati Institution' and organised a guest lecture on 'Learning Skill and Memory Development'.

Vyas Sabha

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

Some of the topics discussed in the Vyas Sabha are:

- Monsoon Life.
- ‘Supreme Court Verdict on Dance Bars.
- Issues on the Campus: Elections for Students’ Council
- Issues on the Campus: Anti-ragging Cell and Women Development Cell
- Celebration of Indian Festivals
- Devotion or Blind Faith?
- Disaster Management – A Discussion in India
- Role of teacher in society
- My favorite poem
- Should Juveniles be given same punishment as adults
- Indian village – our strength or our weakness

Vivekananda Study Circle

Vivekananda study circle conducted following activities during 2013-14

- Three months ‘Yoga Course’
- ‘*Bhartiya Sanskrit Pariksha*’ based on life and teaching of Vivekananda

Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension (DLLE) offered the following Extension Projects,

- Career Skills
- Status of Women Survey
- Information and Technology
- Annapurna Yojana

Parent-Teachers Meeting

Parents-Teachers relationship is important for the smooth functioning of the Institution. Many 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) organized following programmes,

- Session on Career Guidance and Singing talent
- Guest lecture on 'How to live our life and importance of literature'
- Singing Competition for students

Indian Culture & Heritage Committee (Jr. College)

Indian Culture & Heritage conducted following activities

- Inaugural Function by Editor of 'Aapla Param Mitra' Shri Madhav Joshi
- Students visited 'Sobati' school of blind students
- PowerPoint Presentation on Heritage buildings and places in Thane

Intensive Coaching Committee

- Junior College conducted guidance lectures and examination for 12th Arts & Commerce students.
- Organized Guidance lectures of expertise teachers conducted regarding changed syllabus and paper pattern.
- Conducted 1st Unit test, Terminal Exam and Preliminary Exam for students

Scholars' Academy (Jr.College)

Organized following programmes,

- 'Art of effective computer presentation'
- How communication should be? That is communication skill.
- How to calculate changing time on the earth?
- Speech on 'Time Management'.

International Conference

On 11th and 12th January 2013, Two Days International Conference was organized on “Geography of Change : Contemporary Issues in Development, Environment and Society”.

Forth coming National Seminar

The College is going to organize Two Days International Conference on "Money, Finance and Economic Growth: Emerging Issues" on 10th and 11th January 2014

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 5 Colleges** till this date
- Invited as a **resource person** for WDC in B.N. Bandodkar College and Refresher Course in Library information Science, Jointly held by our College and University of Mumbai
- Invited on the **Interview Panel** for the post of Principal by Dombivli Shikshan Prasarak Mandal, Dombivli
- Nominated as **Subject Expert** on the Selection Committee
- Visited Arts, Commerce & Science College at Mahapoli, Tal – Bhiwandi as **Local Inquiry Committee Member (LIC)**
- Invited as **Guest of the Inaugural Ceremony** of NSS Leadership Training Camp for the Thane District College (Central) at Tyson Farm House behind Jeevandeep College, Goveli Kalyan
- Invited as a **guest speaker** in the discussion panel for the one day workshop organized by IQAC of B.N. Bandodkar College of Science, Thane on “The Role of IQAC in Quality Enhancement”.

- **MSN – Deputy Editor** for the year 2012-13.
- **Assoc. Prof. Damodar Morey:**
 - Invited as Guest speaker in 2 International Seminars
- **Asst. Prof. Anil Dhawale:**
 - Completed Ph.D. in Hindi
 - Invited to Chair the Session in Gogate Joglekar College, Ratnagiri
 - Read papers in 2 National seminars and 1 International Seminar
- **Asst. Prof. R.M. Agnihotri** published a paper in International Research Symposium.
- **Asst. Prof. (Mrs.) Madhavi M. Arekar** completed Minor Research Project from University of Mumbai.
- **Dr. (Ms.) Jayashree Singh:**
 - Wrote a book which was published by Gyan Prakashan, Kanpur and 2 research paper and one article.
 - Invited as special invitee on India Radio *Aakashwani* on the occasion of Shree Ram Navmi
 - Presented research papers in 1 International and 4 National Seminars and in one of the National Seminars she got the Best Research Paper Award
- **Asst. Prof. (Mrs.) Neeta Pathak** presented a paper in International Seminar
- **Dr. (Mrs.) Suja Roy Abraham**
 - Invited as a Resource Person in Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerla to deliver a Lecture
 - Presented a paper in the National Seminar

- **Asst. Prof. (Mrs.) Pradnya Rajebahadar** presented a paper in international seminar
- **Asst. Prof. (Mrs.) Archana Prabhudesai** presented research papers in 1 International and 4 National Seminars
- **Asst. Prof. Sagar Thakkar** presented a paper in International Seminar
- **Mrs. Mugdha Keskar** acquired the Fellow membership of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India
- **Mrs. Nomita Kolnoorkar** jointly presented a paper in National Seminar and one paper and article written jointly was published.

- **Mrs. Mohini Kulkarni** qualified SET in Mathematical Sciences
- **Mrs. Vimukta Raje** presented paper in International Conference
- **Mrs. Sangita Mohanty** Presented papers in 2 International Seminars and one paper was published
- **Mr. Mahesh Patil** presented paper in 4 National Seminars
- **Mr. Karbhari Kashinath** presented paper in Teacher's conference
- **Ms. Manjushree Samvatsar** jointly presented a paper in National Conference
- **Ms. Urmila Gawade** presented paper in National Seminar and 2 papers were published in International Seminar
- **Ms. Geetanjali Raut** presented a paper in International Seminar
- **Ms. Aditi Patgaonkar and Ms. Shefali Kondewar** jointly presented a paper in International Seminar
- **Ms. Jharna Tolani** presented a paper in National Seminar
- **Mr. Vinod Chandwani** completed MBA in 1st Class and 2 papers are published in E-paper Journal and 3 papers are published in International Journal
- **Ms. Seethalakshmi Iyer** presented papers in 4 International Seminars and 3 National Seminars and 1 paper is published in International e-Journal

- **Ms. Vedavati Paranjape qualified** NET in Psychology
- **Mrs. Sadhana Singh and Mrs. Akshata Joshi** jointly published a paper in National Conference
- **Mrs. Bhavana Jain** was awarded the Ph.D. in Commerce from the University of Kota, Rajasthan

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 - **Ruta Vaity**
- 2) Ghanshamdas Saraf Trophy to the Best Student – **Mohsin Ali Sayyad & Cressida Mascerhanas**
- 3) Late Shri. G.K. Dandekar Guruji Prize (through Shri.Suresh Dandekar) to the Best Student recommended by the Principal- **Sayali Deshmukh**
- 4) Best Student (Arts Faculty Deg. College) - **Anshu Singh & Rujuta Govande**
- 5) Best Student (Comm. Faculty Deg. College- **Anisha Lopez & Samiksha Mahadik**
- 6) Best Students unaided Courses- **Radha Kulkarni & Manasi Raorane**
- 7) Best Student (Arts Faculty Junior College)- **Prasade Shinde**
- 8) Best Student (Comm. Faculty Junior College) – **Aditya Joshi**
- 9) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize of (through Shri D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to the Best Army cadet - **Manisha Thubal**
- 10) Late Chi. Fanindra Kamlakant Chaubal Prize (through Smt. Padmaja Kamlakant Chaubal) to the Best Navy cadet - **Ankita Patil**
- 11) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize of (through Shri.D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to the Best Sports Persons of the college - **Nikhil Sarnobat & Vallari Bukane**
- 12) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize (through Shri.D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to the Best Orator of the college - **Kinnari Jadhav**

- 13) Late Shri Viju Natekar Smruti Prize (through Shri.D.S. and K.D. Natekar, Thane) to the Best Essay Writer in the college - **Anurag Jadhav**
- 14) Best Student of Theatre- **Kalpesh Samel**
- 15) Best Student of Creative Arts-**Samidha Ghag**
- 16) Best Student of Music –**Anagha Puranik**
- 17) Best NSS Volunteer (State Level) – **Sudam Ahirrao & Bhagyashree Gore**
- 18) Active performance as a Students' Council member) **Onil Kulkarni & Anushka Kajrolkar**
- 19) Best Student of Community College – **S Grace Christina Shaker**
- 20) Best student of Library and Information Science- **Ruta Koparkar**