

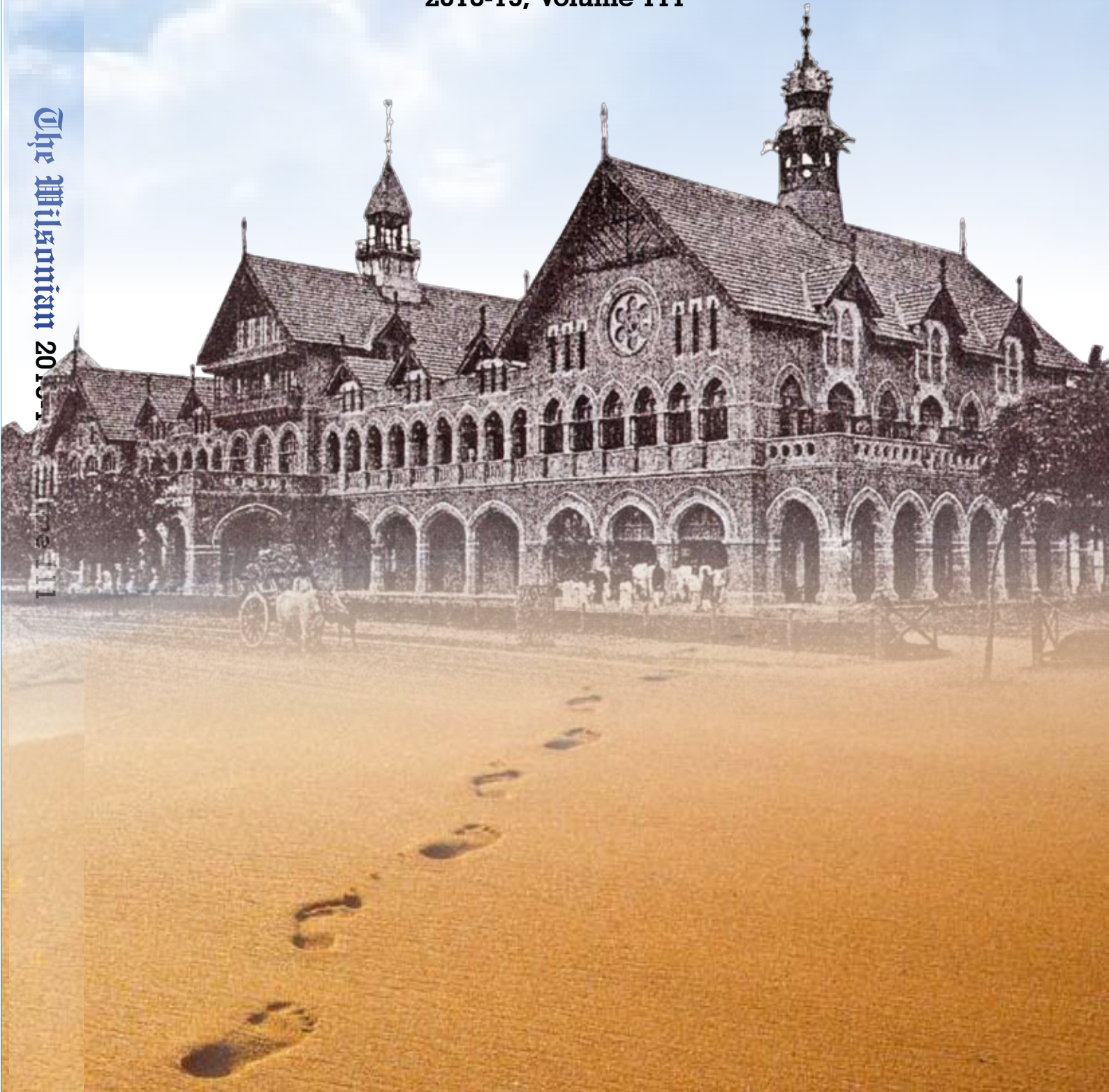


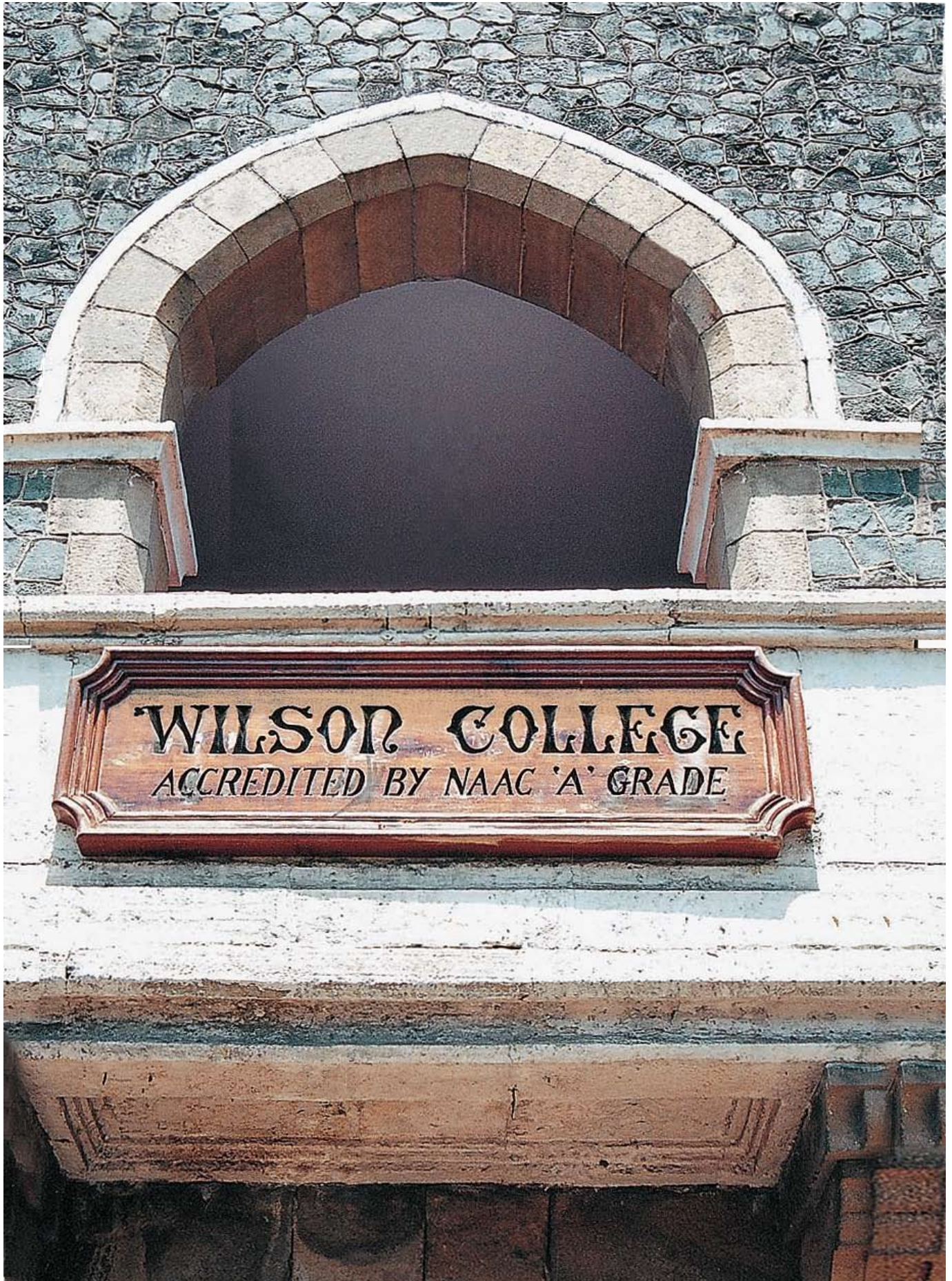
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Mission

To produce intellectually well trained, morally upright, socially conscious and spiritually oriented men and women.

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Editorial



Finally, the 111th volume of The Wilsonian is ready!!!

Entrusted with the responsibility to be the editor of The Wilsonian in March, 2019 (a time when students and teachers are caught in exam frenzy), overwhelmed me, initially, but I took charge nevertheless, confident that my editorial team would assist me and they proved me right, for which I am grateful to them.

A major change was witnessed by us at Wilson College as our new Principal Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje took charge of the college administration. She has been instrumental in encouraging both staff and students to conduct and participate in many activities relevant to their development.

We note with great pride how our institution has shaped the lives of our students who have enthusiastically and actively participated in a variety of activities conducted by various departments, committees and organisations, at various levels throughout the year.

The photo gallery, various reports and articles in this volume will confirm this fact. The editorial team strived to generate creative content from the students and has worked extensively to report events in and around college.

The final publication reflects and encompasses the diversity inherent to the academic and co-curricular spaces in Wilson College.

I hope I have been successful in my endeavour to chronicle the events and reports for this academic year.

Regards,
Ms. Veronica Bhonsle

Welcome To Our New Principal

We at Wilson college welcome our new Principal Prof. Dr. Anna Pratima G. Nikalje. She is an alumna of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad and started her teaching career in 1993. She holds a Ph.D in Chemistry and has also completed a P.G. Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights Law.

Her research interests include: Green synthesis of bioactive heterocycles: anticancer agents, antifungals, anticonvulsants and Analytical Method development. She has many major and minor research projects to her credit.

She has published hundred and seventeen international research papers and has authored eight books. She has been granted two patents and is a recognized Ph. D. Guide (guided 12 students), Post Graduate Guide (guided 33 research students.)

Dr. Nikalje has won various academic awards:

Women in Educational Leadership, Devang Mehta National Award 2018.

ERASMUS PEIN International Research Excellence Award, Faculty Research stay at University of Santiago De Compostela, Lugo, Spain, 2014.

Dr. R.V. Patel National Innovative & Best Research Guide Award 2011-12.

Dr. P.D. Sethi Best Research Paper on HPTLC Award in 2010 and 2012.

Best Paper presentation award, 2002 and Scholarship of 500 Euro at International Symposium HPLC 2007, Belgium.

Recipient of Gold Medal and other six awards as University Topper at her graduation.

She has shouldered various responsibilities: Vice Principal, HOD, Academic in charge, Exam in charge, Students' Council in charge, ICC in charge, IQAC member, Antiragging committee member, Research & IPR and CDC elected member. She has been a reviewer and editorial board member for many reputed international journals.

Her professional membership to American Chemical Society, Indian Science Congress Association, Association of Chemistry Teachers of India, TWAS, FENS and WISE which has given her a wide experience.

It is interesting to know that besides academics Dr. Nikalje has keen interest in extra and co-curricular activities which won her the Best NCC Cadet award and she has excelled as a State level hockey player too.

With such accomplishments there is no doubt that our Dr. Nikalje is ready to take charge of responsibilities entrusted to her. We wish her all the very best for all her endeavours.

From the Principal's Desk

Warm Greetings to the students and all readers of the "Wilsonian".

Taking over as the tenth Principal of an almost two hundred year old institution is both a matter of pride as well as a humbling experience. I am humbled at joining ranks with the many great names who have played such an important role both in the growth of the college as well as the larger life of the university and the city. It is indeed a matter of pride to be the first woman Principal of this prestigious multi-faculty institution.

With such a rich legacy that I have been entrusted with, the challenges are many and varied. No institution can rest only on past glories and it is a daunting task to lead the college into becoming a premier educational institute in globalised world.

As I take over this responsible task, I want to formulate a vision for the future of Wilson College. Though a Christian Minority institution we cater to a diverse student body with varied capacities and interests. In such a given situation it is important to build an inclusive teaching-learning atmosphere and remain true to the mission statement of the college of producing intellectually well-trained, socially conscious, morally upright and spiritually oriented men and women.

I aim to work towards certain goals whereby Wilson College joins rank with the best colleges in the country, shining in the Top Ten list of National Institutional Ranking Framework. The need of the hour are many: developing an ICT enabled infrastructure to keep pace with the changing needs of the education process, enriching the library with both more books and e resources, state-of-the art laboratories which would enable research to reach new levels of excellence, availing of research grants from all prestigious national funding agencies, research collaborations with national and international agencies and consultancies. To help realise the tremendous potential of our committed staff, the need is to encourage them to attend workshops and seminars, undertake quality research projects and publish in prestigious journals. To offer a well-rounded learning experience to our students I would like our students to be able to choose from a wide array of aided and self-financing options, skill based and other add-on courses, sports and cultural activities. Amidst all the academic dreams, I will strive for the college to be driven by a moral and social conscience.

As I lay down my vision for the future of the college and work towards this end, I urge that all sections of the college: the management, teaching and non-teaching staff, students, alumni and other stakeholders come together on same platform and help make this into a reality.

Since the time I have taken office there have been several developments that indicate that we are moving in the right direction. The College has received the Leadership and Innovation Award 2019 from Higher Education Forum and has been declared 24th rank in the top 100 education institutes by Education World India Private Higher Education Rankings 2019-20. Another welcome move has been that the Nature Club members past and present have contributed towards making an eco-friendly LED electrification of the College campus and I thank them for the same. I am happy to state that all mandatory committee have been constituted including College Development Committee as per university guidelines.

I congratulate all the teachers who have excelled in their fields: published, won awards and got their doctorates. Several students have done the college proud in academics, sports and cultural events. Once again hearty congratulations.

As I settle into my office, I thank the management, teaching and non-teaching staff, students, alumni for the tremendous support offered to me. I end with the much quoted lines of the American poet Robert Frost: *"The woods are lovely, dark, and deep. But I have promises to keep, And miles to go before I sleep, And miles to go before I sleep."*



Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje
Principal

Fond Farewell



Mrs. Nilima Tipre attained her superannuation on 31st January 2019,

She completed M.A. in Marathi in 1983 and DHE in 1986. Thereafter she completed her M. Phil in 1990. Her M. Phil dissertation on Sant Kanhopatra was honoured with the 'Swami Swarupanand Award' by Mumbai University.

She worked in Ismail Yusuf Degree College for 2 1/2 years and in D. G. Ruparel college from 1988 to 1990. She joined Wilson College as a Junior College Teacher in 1991 in the subject of Marathi.

Mrs. Nilima is the epitome of an ideal teacher - dedicated, sincere, disciplined and hard working, very popular amongst her students. She is not just a friend, philosopher and guide but also a motherly figure to her students. Her poetry teaching skills are superlative. She is the proud mother of an internationally acclaimed swimmer, Mrs. Surabhi and eminent biotechnologist Mr. Salil, Wilson College wishes her a happy, healthy and peaceful life ahead.

Mrs. Anagha S. Gadkari

Department of Botany, Jr. College



Mrs. Shashikala Lagli joined Wilson College in the year 1994 in the Dept. of English as a language teacher. Over the years, she worked in several committees such as admission committee, the Mutual Aid fund and was also the convenor of the examination committee for the year 1917-18. She was also the Vice Principal of the Junior College from the year 2012 to 2016, and retired in September 2018. Shashi (as we all lovingly addressed her) will always be remembered as a very smooth and soft spoken personality. The best ornament she chose to always wear was her gentle smile. She dealt with the most strenuous and difficult situations at work with the armour of calm. Her concern for all students can be vouched for by the students themselves. She was a mother figure to students as

well as many young staff members. Today after her retirement, she plans to travel the world; but her residence will always be in the hearts of Wilsonians.

Mrs. Ruby Malshe

Department of English, Jr. College



Mrs. Sheela Acharya was the first full time faculty in Political Science in the Junior College. She consolidated and built student strength for Political Science. She institutionalized the idea of field visits for Junior College and Senior College students to the Vidhan Bhavan on a consistent basis.

Her rapport with students is excellent. Shalini Rodrigues and she made a very good team and for the past four years they have been organizing Model United Nations and Youth Parliament. The Youth Parliament especially has helped build greater attachment to the college and in the last four years it has boosted admissions to BA significantly. Special credit to her for making it possible.

She has handled Arts Circle, Junior college admissions and other responsibilities very effectively. She is quiet, unassuming, yet very firm and principled. Her focus has always been the well being and welfare of students. She has been regularly mentoring many students. Her disciplining of students is always defined by compassion.

She has been a major asset to the college. Her presence will surely be missed.

Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj

Head, Political Science Department

Fond Farewell



Dr. Shachi Dewan retired on 31st January 2019.

She was the HOD & Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology.

Dr. Dewan started her teaching career in Sophia College (junior college- where she worked for two years 1981-1983). Subsequently she taught as a part time faculty in the degree college, LUMV college, Andheri. She joined as teacher in the junior college at Wilson & thereafter joined degree college, with a total of 33 years of service.

Her educational qualifications includes BA, MA, DHE (Diploma in Higher Education), MPhil, DHE (Diploma in Distance Education- IGNOU), PhD. She has received recognition as a Post-graduate teacher in Sociology and was invited to present a paper in Anthropology at SUNY University, Geneseo, New York on : "Colonialism and Neo-Colonial State's impact on the Adivasis".

She has been a guide for MPhil students from Madhurai Kamraj University, a visiting faculty at SNDT Women's University for their MPhil course in Sociology, member of the syllabus framing committee for MPhil course in Sociology at the the SNDT Women's University and was also appointed as convener for syllabus framing & paper setting for the subject of Anthropology by Mumbai University.

She held important positions as: member of the Board of Management of Wilson College from 2014 to 2017, Dean of women students, Convener of WDC, & worked on several college committees like admissions, orientation, library committee, attendance committee, examination committee, unfair means committee, discipline committee, convener of BOS in sociology & worked as syllabus framer. She was invited by Bhavans College- Chowpatty & Maharashtra College as subject expert for holding interviews of prospective candidates.

We at Wilson College wish her all the best for a happy retired life ahead.

Mrs. Muneera Khambawala
HOD, Department of Sociology



Prof. Dr. K. Aruna Samudravijay retired on 30th April 2019 as Head of Department Microbiology, after 32 years of dedicated service. Dr. Aruna joined Wilson college 1987 as a staff and in 1998 she became the H.O.D until the present. She successfully completed her PhD from the prestigious Tata Institute of Fundamental research, Mumbai, under the guidance of Dr S. Sharma at the Department of Biological Sciences.

Dr Aruna is a recognized PhD guide, She has propitiously guided one student and is currently guiding 6 promising candidates. She has shouldered many responsibilities: Vice Principal, Secretary of Staff Council, Convener of Examination Committee, Research Committee, Time Table Committee, Purchase Committee, CAS Committee And Cultural Committee.

Dr. K Aruna was a former member of Board of Studies in Microbiology, Mumbai Univ., member of St.Xaviers College, Mumbai Board of Studies for Microbiology, Member of Faculty of Science Mumbai University and Member of Board of Studies in Microbiology, Mithibai College. She has organised many workshops in 'Molecular Biology Techniques and Practical Bioinformatics workshops since 2004 at Wilson College, along with Career Counselling session for students.

She has supported all the curricular and extra-curricular activities held in the department of Microbiology. Under her guidance the staff and students of the department of Microbiology successfully organised several co-curricular activities such as Seminars – 'Recent Trends in Biomedical Sciences', Exploring the environment: A Microbiological approach", a colloquium on "Sensitization of Environmental issues", "THE SAJJAN GUPTA KONARK MEMORIAL 6th RESEARCH MEET" and an inter-collegiate event "GAIA-our great Mother"

Fond Farewell

Under her auspices the students were given an exposure to conduct and execute the Inter-Collegiate event "BIOMOSAIC". Workshops on "MICRO WORLD" were held for school students of south Mumbai to acquaint them with the intriguing wonders of Microbiology. Dr. K Aruna has also been an active member of Member of Mumbai University syllabus committee since 2005 until the present.

In the year 2011 she was conferred the prestigious title of "Professor" by Mumbai University. During her more than three decades long career, she always endeavoured to ameliorate herself by attending Seminars and Conferences pertaining to the subject at national and International level, her passion for her subject has always been felt in the department and through her tutelage, in 2011 she received her first UGC Major Research project, Minor Mumbai University projects and One Wilson College project aredeemed to her credit.

Since 2005, she undertook collaborative work with other institutes like Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Pharmacy, Mumbai, Dept. of Biological sciences, TIFR, Mumbai, Collaborative project with ICT, Mumbai and Jaypee institute of Information Technology, Noida, this was for the first time that the department of Microbiology extended their expertise to other research institutes and established a link between the college and them. Her research experience entitles her to 73 publications in national and international scientific journals, some of them appearing in journals with very high Impact factors.

Dr. K Aruna is a highly skilled teacher and always kept herself updated with new changes in the education field through participation in many workshops, National and International conferences, Seminars and Symposium.

She has enacted as a resource person for many Workshops organized by Yashwantrao Chavan College of Science, Karad. She has delivered lectures at several UGC sponsored programmes such as training on "Techniques in Molecular Biology" for undergraduate teachers at Bhavan's Research Centre, Mumbai, Refresher Courses at Birla College, Bandodkar college, and Homi Bhabha centre for Science education. Madam is well known in the scientific community and has Chaired sessions of many International conferences. She is on the Member of editorial board for Asian Journal of Biosciences and Journal of Microbial World.

Prof, Dr K Aruna's timeless and committed love for perseverance fetched her laurels, she received the Bharat Shiksha award at Global society of health and educational growth in 2013 and Won best oral presentation award at International conference on Biotechnology & Bioengineering" (ICBB-2014) held at BITS-Pilani, Dubai. Her kind and generous nature has been a subject of awe to her students. She would always go beyond her way to help students in and out of the department. Her compassion and gentle heart always made her easier to be approached by students.

She is perceived as illustrious and exalted amongst Microbiology enthusiasts and a role model for her department members and many others in the faculty of Microbiology, her dedicated years of service will always existas larger than life in our memory. Her immense contribution and aspirations to create an unprecedented educational environment for the staff and students of our departmentwill always be memorialised. We wish her a happy, healthy and prolific retired life.

Mrs. Anuradha Pendse
Head Department of Microbiology



Mr. Madhukar G. Jade, Chemistry Department joined Wilson College in 1980 as a Peon in the Laboratory. In Jan. 1990 he was promoted to the post of Laboratory Attendant. He has been associated with the Physical Chemistry laboratory for more than three decades and He has always worked very systematically. He has helped in the conduct of many college and university examinations. Mr. Madukar Jade retired on 1st June 2018.

We will all remember the gentle smile on his face and miss him.

We wish him a very happy and blessed retired life.

Mr. Sandeep Borde
Head Department of Chemistry

Achievements



Dr. Thomson A. Fernandes

Awarded Ph D degree in Chemistry by Institute of Chemical Technology Mumbai on 19th March 2019 for his thesis entitled "Recovery of Metals From Metallic and Non-Metallic Solid Wastes by Hydrometallurgical Methods".

Dr. Chetana M. Rana

Awarded Ph D degree in Chemistry by University of Mumbai in May 2019 for her thesis entitled "Kinetic and Thermodynamic Studies of the Oxidation of some Industrially Important Phenols and Alcohols". She worked under the guidance of Dr D V Prabhu, Department of Chemistry, Wilson College, Mumbai"



Ms. Durva Pathare

Secured 1st rank at MSc (Chemistry) examination, Mumbai University.



Welcome to our Principal



Hon. Secretary, JWES, Mr. Prem Masih, Rt. Rev. Bishop Patole and staff members welcome our new Principal Dr. Anna Pratibha Nikalje



Principal Dr. Anna Pratibha Nikalje assumes charge of her office



Sports



Aatir Ansari, State Athlete



Aditya Gaiwad, State level Boxer



Wilfred Gonsalves, University Boxing medalist



Zeel Shetye, State Karate player



Daniel Chettiar, DSO Boxing Champion



Mary Yadav, Winner of All Round Sports Student



Atika Popatiya, National Karate player



Grace Mohanty, National player Sequay Martial Art



Ms. Venessa Arez winner of Cranston Memorial trophy for Best Wilsonian Boxer



Nidhi Kadam, XI Sc. Women's Individual Champion



Tanmay Prabhu, SYBA, Men's Individual Champion

Department and Campus Activities



Inter Department Cricket Match



National Seminar "Gandhi on Dignity" by Philosophy Department.
Students with Tushar Gandhi and Irfan Engineer



Microworld 2019 - Workshop for school students.



17th Microbio Olympiad 2019: Overall 4th Position among top 10 colleges in Maharashtra. Overall state topper: Debarshi Mukherjee – Microbio Olympiad 2019 (First from left), Rahul Mishra – Microbio Canvas 2019 1st Prize (Second from left)



Industrial visit of TY microbiology students to Shimla Chandigarh



Fruit and vegetable carving workshop - Botany Department



Terrarium Making Workshop - Botany Department



Workshop on 'Career and Hindi'



Rashtriya Vichaar Gosthi on 'Swami Vivekananda Aur Yuva' by Dr. Rammohan Pathak, Shri Sachindra Tripathi, Dr. Sheetla Prasad Dubey and Principal Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje



Inaugural Function of 'Saral Hindi Certificate Course'



Welcome address by Vice Principal Dr. Ashish Uzgare at a collaborative workshop with Bhavan Somani College and Sociology Department



Sociology Department - Collaborative workshop with Bhavans Somani College on Breaking the Binaries of ex and Gender by Humsafar Trust



Chapel



Chapel



Model United Nations - Art Circle



Inaugural function of Science Circle



Chemistry Department Trip to Tiruvision Medicare Industry



Chemistry Lecture by Ex-faculty Dr. James Barton



Chemistry Department Trip to Curetech Skincare Industry



Training and Placement Centre - LIC Interview



Training and Placement Centre - Group Discussion



Training and Placement Centre - Business Communication Skills



History Department - Talk on Heritage of Mumbai By Mr. Jayakar



Heritage Walk at Bandra by History Department



Alumni of 1994 Batch released a Stamp to celebrate 25 years of their reunion



Local Culture Trip



Editor of Loksatta Girish Kuber felicitated by Principal Incharge Mrs Michelle Philip at the inaugural function of 'Arthiki' organised by Economics Department



Trip to Palsundha village by students and staff of Economics Department

Marathi Wangmaga Mandal



Marathi & Hindi Joint Prize Distribution "Mel-Milap 2018-19"



Marathi Department - visit to 'Mani Bhavan Gandhi Sangrahalaya'



Ms Jyotsna Birje FYJC(Arts) won the title of Ms. Maharashtra Second Runner up

Hope 2018



Mr. Prem Masih, Honourable Secretary, JWES, presented Honourable Education Minister Shri Vinod Tawde a HOPE logo memento with a HOPE logo memento to commemorate the 11th year of HOPE.



Chief Guest Shri Vinod Tawde alongwith Dr. Zuleika Homavazir and dignitaries released the Free Press Journal supplement highlighting 10 years of HOPE.



The human mosaic formation of the Read India Lead India Initiative of HOPE 2018



Mrs. Kedari, Principal, St. Columba High School (Left) and Mrs. Pimenta, Principal, Wilson High School (Right) felicitated by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries



Mr. Prem Masih, Hom. Secretary, JWES, Rt. Rev. Bishop Patole, Mrs. Rachana, Dr. Zuleika Homavazir with Shri. Vinod Tawde, Minister of Education, Government of Maharashtra unveiling the 11th year of HOPE 2018 newspaper.

Terry Fox Run



Mrs. Amruta Fadnavis, First Lady of Maharashtra and Chief guest at the Terry Fox Run event felicitates Principal Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje at the Cricket Club Of India.



Mrs. Amruta Fadnavis, First Lady of Maharashtra and Chief guest at the Terry Fox Run event felicitates Dr. Zuleika Homavazir at the Cricket Club Of India.

Adorea Celebrations



BMS Department wins ADOREA 2019 Trophy



Dr. Zuleika Homavazir, Convenor, Adorea presents a memento to Principal Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje at BMS- ADOREA 2019.



Group performance at the inauguration ceremony of ADOREA 2019 by students of BMS

Polaris Celebrations



Olé Celebrations



NSS Activities



Beach cleaning with Navy Coast Guard



Road Safety Campaign



Blood Donation Camp



Special residential camp in Thakurwadi village



Aids awareness human chain

Green Warriors Initiative



Rotract Club of Wilson College



Vocational Awards for non-teaching staff of Wilson College



Banner reveal at the RCWC installation



Beach Clean-up activity at Girgaon Chowpatty after Ganesh Chaturthi



Book Donation Drive



Rose Day for Cancer patients at Tata Memorial Hospital



Winners of RCWC-MUN event based on Combating Climate Change



Wall Painting at Charni Road Station with messages

Nature Concert Performances



Nature Concert Performances



Library Competition and Sessions



CAMPUS NEWS

CHAPEL

"...Many plans are in a man's mind, but it is the Lord's purpose for him that will stand...." - Proverbs 19:21. We are all born for a purpose. We are not here by accident, but to fulfil a God-given destiny. We may have many plans for our lives, but as this verse says, "it is the Lord's purpose for him that will stand." Sometimes God can change the direction we are going in. Sometimes it can be a radical change, or sometimes just a slight adjustment.

Keeping this in mind, in the midst of the hustle and bustle of College life, the Chapel is an abode to find meaning to life as the students gather every day for a time of prayer, fellowship and retrospection. This year we had many student centric activities .Beginning with the warm orientation of the new comers in the month of June and July 2018. In August we had 'Independence Day Celebration "wherein there was a celebration of the diverse culture and cuisine of India and our very own faculty were the judges for the day. In December, the 'Founders day service' was held solemnly and later in the month we had students Christmas celebration with great enthusiasm .The Chapel in collaboration with the History department of the college was able to visit 'Asha Dan 'at Byculla which was a very enriching and humbling experience for the students. Ms. Philips trained the Chapel Choir for this years Christmas service and the choristers did a great job. The Hostel choir and the teachers' choir were also splendid. In February, we were able to have an esteemed musician who entertained the youth with his music and encouraged them to be purpose driven. This year the Chapel was able to host systematic Bible study every weekend for those keen to learn and truly the participants were blessed.

The Chapel was also able to host informal get togethers for the hostelites during the year .Besides, in July under the leadership of the Bishop there was teacher's fellowship meeting too. The year ended with the formal graduation service in the month of March.

On behalf of the Wilson College Chapel Committee, I extended my gratefulness to all, for their continuous support, prayer and participation. And it's our prayer that the Chapel will continue to be an abode of mental, emotional and spiritual rest for each and every student and staff of our esteemed college.

Rev Arpana Rangayya
Wilson College Chaplain

Gymkhana

The Gymkhana continued to encourage students to participate at the various Inter-college events. The students were trained at the infrastructure provided for Indoor and Outdoor games.

93 students from degree college and 117 students from Junior college participated at the inter-college events particularly in Football, Cricket, Basketball, Carrom, Chess, Badminton, Table Tennis, Athletics, Basketball, Boxing.

In Karate, Ms. Zeel Shetye, XI Sc. won gold at the DSO district and division tournaments. She won a silver medal at the State DSO karate tournament held at Baramati.

Ms. Atika Popatia, MSc. Part II, participated in All India Shotocup Karate Championships held in Mumbai and won Silver in Kumite and Bronze in Kata events.

Ms. Grace Mohanty of XI Arts. showed dominant performance in Sequay Martial Art and won gold medals at DSo district, division and State tournaments. She also participated in All India Sequay Martial Art held at New Delhi. She was felicitated by Mayor of Mumbai during Mayor's Cup tournament for her all round performance.

In Kickboxing, Parth Rane, XI won Silver at the DSO district Kickboxing. He further participated in the Junior State Kickboxing championships, Ahmednagar and secured bronze in Point Fight event. He represented Maharashtra in 4th National Thai Kickboxing Championships held at Kurukshetra, Haryana and secured silver in Fight event and gold in Musical Kata and silver in AFRO Musical event.

Ms. Umme Habiba Shaikh, XI participated in Mumbai Games Judo Championships and secured Bronze. She also represented Maharashtra in All India Judo Nationals held at Jalandhar. Punjab.

In athletics, Aatir Ansari of XI Arts won Gold and Aditya Bhalerao of XI Arts won Broze in the High Jump in Reliance Foundation Athletic meet. Aatir Ansari also won a bronze in Long Jump at the State Y.M.C.A. Athletics meet. Ms. Nidhi Kadam of XI Sc. Won a silver in Shot Put at the Mumbai Suburban District Athletics meet. She also participated at the Mumbai division Athletics meet.

Senior college Football team performed very well by winning total five out of six matches played in Reliance Foundation Football Championships.

Ms. Siddhee Rohekar of TYBA reached the fourth round of University Badminton.

In the University Table Tennis Rutvik Mahendru, SYBMS reached fourth round and Tushar Jadhav of SYBMS reached third round.

In University Chess Championships Degree Chess team performed at their best and secured fifth position in team ranking.

In DSO Chess tournament Vishal Mhapuskar XII Sc. Secured 14th and Varun Valmiki XII Sc. secured 26th position out of 100 participants.

Wilson boxers performed extremely well at the various tournaments participated.

Ms. Venessa Arez SYBMS won a gold medal (64 kgs.) at the State Elite Women Championships held at Thane. She also won gold in Yuva Sena Boxing meet.

Ms. Mary Yadav of XII Arts was too good for her opponents. She won Gold medals at the DSO district, division. She participated in DSO State Boxing held in Mumbai and won silver. She represented Mumbai district in State Junior and Youth Boxing Championships held at Thane and Pune. She won gold at the 31st Junior Inter-college Boxing Championships and added another Gold at the Central Railway boxing event.

Aditya Gaikwad XI Arts won gold at the DSO district, division tournaments. He also participated in the DSO State Boxing held in Mumbai.

Daniel Chettiar XI Sc. won gold at the DSO district and silver at the division tournament.

In CM Chashak Boxing event, Joshua Sinate TYBA and Rushikesh Barje TYBA won gold medals.

In Central Railway Boxing event Rushikesh Barje TYBA and Wilfred Gonsalves SYBA won gold medals. Wilfred Gonsalves also won bronze in the University Boxing.

In Ole Inter-college boxing tournament Ms. Damapal Jain XII Arts, Ms. Khushi Sharma XI Arts and Danial Chettiar XI Sc. Wilfred Gonsalves SYBA won gold medals.

In DSO district Boxing Junior College boxers Kaushik Mhatre, Sharon Mary and Aamar Lokhandwala secured bronze medals.

The Gymkhana conducted 108th Annual Sports meet on 14th January, 2019 at the University Pavilion. Total 202 men and 107 women participated in the various Track and Field events. There was huge participation for Tug-of War Competition. Total 152 students had participated.

Tanmay Prabhu of SYBA won overall Men's Championships and Nilesh Singh XII Sc. and Salman Siddiqui XI Arts were joint Runner-ups. Ms. Nidhi Kadam of XI Sc. won Women's Championship and Ms. Ananya Shetty of TYBMS and Vedika Rane of FYBA were joint Runner-ups.

As an annual feature, Gymkhana also organised Inter-Class tournaments for Carrom, Chess, Table Tennis, Badminton and Box-Cricket in the College Campus. Total 192 students participated in the various Indoor Games.

The Annual Sports Felicitation function was held on 23rd March, 2019. The Principal and President of Gymkhana Prof. Anna Pratima Nikalje gave away the prizes to the outstanding Sports students and Inter-Class winners. Mrs. Sandra Cranston presented the Conroy Cranston Memorial trophy to the Best Wilsonian boxer Ms. Venessa Arez.

Mr. Sandeep Borde
Vice-President, Gymkhana

Mackichan Hall Hostel

Mackichan Hall Boys Hostel - Is a home away from home for Wilson College boys since 106 years. This year the Mackichan family had residents from 25 states and 4 countries, in true sense a mini India!

At Mackichan Hall we celebrate different activities and events throughout every academic session. This year we conducted numerous activities, including different sporting events, a freshman-night to showcase their talents and a lavish dinner for the newly appointed Principal of Wilson College, Prof. Anna Pratima Nikalje.

Every year, various committees are formed and in charges are elected who coordinate all the activities. On 1st August 2018, the secretaries of different committees were elected along with the General Secretary. This year Mr. Suboor Abbas was elected as the General Secretary. This committee was

formally introduced at the Hostel Chapel Service which was held at the Wilson College Chapel on 6th of August, 2018 along with the residents of Pandita Ramabai Girls' Hostel. The Chairman BOM of Wilson College Rt. Rev. Prakash Patole was the guest of honour. This year the hostel residents met around 5 times and enjoyed the spiritual enrichment services led by our chaplain Rev. Arpana Rangayya.

The next event in our calendar was our 72nd Independence Day, 15th August 2018. Every year, on this day, all the residents honour the Indian Tricolour by hoisting the flag at 7.30 am which is followed by a short cultural event and an elaborate breakfast. The boys later attended the Independence Day celebrations at Wilson College.

Mackichan hall has a tradition to invite the Principal of Wilson College for dinner, where all the hostelites meet and introduce themselves to the Principal. This is followed by a special dinner. On 10th October 2018, we called our then newly appointed Principal, Prof. Anna Pratima Nikalje to grace the occasion. where she guided by us her words of wisdom.

Every year the hostel boys enjoy a movie night, this academic session we had a fun time watching *Andhadhun*. A Nolan-esque movie, it was a delight, obviously, as the new boys in hostel had opportunity to bond over, and also enjoy the free coke and popcorn that we were treated to.

The sports committee conducts various sporting events, this year we introduced a few new tournaments such as basketball, table tennis, carrom and PUBG. We started off in late October with our first tournament which was football within the next two and half months, we had completed all 9 tournaments for which I would like to thank our Principal who provided us with the college premises numerous times and also our warden, Ashish Sir who got us the Wilson gymkhana turf to carry out the football tournament. The other tournaments included volleyball, cricket, badminton, arm wrestling and fifa.

From 14th to 19th of December 2018, we had our hostel trip. This time we the 130 hostelites of Mackichan Hall went to see the beautiful deserts of Rajasthan. We started off our journey with Jaisalmer where we spent 2 days in tents and went for a number of activities, like camel ride, paragliding, etc. We also spent a day in Jodhpur, visiting local sites such

as Umed Bhavan palace to name a few. Indeed by then the boys had made some good friends. It was a trip the memories of which we will cherish all our life.

The 69th Republic Day was celebrated on 26th January 2019 in the hostel with the flag hoisting ceremony of early in the morning, followed by delicious snacks for breakfast.

One of the most awaited events of the hostel is the Hostel Talent Night where the fresher's performed various acts showcasing their talents. On 28th January 2018 the talented boys performed acts ranging from dance to magic tricks to even stand-up comedy. Mr. Prathamesh Aggrawal bagged the best Fresher award.

The open day is a special day where all the hostelites call their friends and family to showcase their rooms. It was held on 11th of February 2019 and was judged by Dr. Mrs. Nalwala, Ms. Shreyaa Shirke and our very own Mrs. Shreyaa Uzgare. This year Mr. Sahil Wasim won the prize for the best room.

The Hostel Annual day culminates the activities for the academic year. This year on the 11th of March 2019 we enjoyed the evening where all the winners of various activities were felicitated, the Mashall march was witnessed and a farewell to the third year students was given along with the declaration of the best hostel resident. This year Mr. Sahil Wasim bagged this award. Congratulations to Sahil.

The hostel had additions in the facilities like installing new fans, cupboards cots and biometric attendance machine. We place on record the help and support extended by the office staff of John Wilson Education Society. The hostel is incomplete without our support staff Mr. Vijay, Mr. Sandesh, Mr. Ankush, Mr. Dashrath and Mr. Sandeep who take care of the hostel and the residents. Big thanks to them. A note of appreciation towards the Warden and Assistant Warden for their love support and discipline which was instrumental in yet another year of comfortable stay.

It has undoubtedly been another amazing year in this amazing hostel. We all look forward to the same in the future.

Mr. Suboor Abbas
General Secretary

Pandita Ramabai Hostel

The beautiful, heritage structure of Pandita Ramabai Hostel was a home away from home for 57 girls this year. The hostel committee as appointed by the Warden Mrs. Kshama Jayaraj consisted of Roopali Jain (Senior Student), Manali Sharma (General Secretary) and the four group leaders Damini Chandankar (Emerald), Neha Vashishth (Crystal), Phoebe Guite (Beryl) and Sushmita Akashi (Amethyst). A healthy competition and team spirit was seen amongst all the girls who were divided into these four groups as they participated in the various sports, literary and cultural activities organised by the committee throughout the year.

We welcomed 25 new girls this year from all parts of the country into our Pandita family. As a welcome for them all, the second and third year students organised a Fresher's Night Party for them where they showcased their acting and dancing skills. We kick-started the year with the Principal's Dinner for our former incharge principal Dr. Michelle Philip and also had the honor of doing the same for our current principal Prof. Anna G. Nikalje. The students got an opportunity of interacting with them and learning from their wise words. The girls also attended the Chapel Service and praised the Lord with their melodious voices.

Following this many activities were conducted throughout the year to make the hostel a livelier place. The sports activities included kho-kho, badminton, rapid snatch and drop-by-drop. A treasure hunt was organized within the hostel premises which the girls enjoyed immensely. A competition within the groups for making the annual hostel movie was also organised which was shown on the Annual Day. The literary activities included poetry writing competition in both Hindi and English, Pictionary, Just a Minute and The 5 seconds rule. Apart from this, the girls also went out for a hostel dinner. The Panditas chose to enjoy a Chinese Cuisine this year at the '5 Spice Restaurant' in Fort. We also went for 2 hostel movies namely 'Gold' & 'Mary Poppins Returns' later on we saw the Movie 'Least of These' based on the life of The Missionary Graham Staines.

Christmas has always been an extremely joyous celebration for us and along with playing the 'Chris Maa & Chris Child' game where we exchange anonymous gifts with each other, we also got a chance to listen to an amazing band perform Christmas Carols for us. The evening ended with a bonfire in the garden. Every year, we Panditas decorate and open the doors of our hostel for a day for our friends and family to come and visit. This year too we organised the Open Day and had a competition in which the girls were judged on

the basis of their room's cleanliness and creativity. In the month the FYs and SYs organised a wonderful farewell party for the TY students.

The last event of the year was the grand Annual Day Programme where all the important prizes won by the girls for all the above mentioned activities were given. Our theme for this year was 'We are the World' which the girls incorporated seamlessly into their performances and the decor to share a message of global unity and peace. The academic toppers for this year were Nameera Khan - 75% (FYJC.), Nishtha Bisht - 93.4% (SYJC.), Saloni Patil - 88.5% (FYBAF.) and Damini Chandankar - (SYBMS.). The 'Anandibai Kalawade Shield' for the academic topper in the TY was awarded to Aditi Lal for securing an overall 'O' grade.

Apart from that, many of our Panditas also succeeded in making their mark in various competitions in and outside college. Neha Saxena won third prize in the Singing Competition in Sophia College, second prize in the Bhajan Competition at Ruia College and first prize in the Singing Competitions at Sydenham College, Adorea Fest of Wilson B.M.S. & the Backlash Fest of Wilson College I.T. Department. She also won first prize in the Solo Singing Competition and Poetry Recitation Competition organised by the Hindi Parishad of Wilson College. Palak Agrawal won the third prize in the Treasure hunt organised at the Jai Hind College. Kopal Khanna won third prize in a Paper Presentation Competition at K. J. Somaiya College. Kanan Nehra won first prize in the Drama Competition organised at Jai Hind College. Dhanashree was awarded 'Dr. Altekar Prize' for the best Marathi Essay written for the Wilsonian Magazine. Manali Sharma won the 2nd prize in the Hindi Elocution Competition organised at the Hindustan Petroleum Hindi Vibhaag, second prize in the Hindi poetry recitation competition organized by the Hindi Parishad of Wilson College and was also awarded the 'Best Parliamentarian Award' at the Wilson College Annual Youth Parliament. Amongst the four groups, group Emerald won the prize for the 'Best Group'. The 'Sportswoman of the Year' prize was bagged by Maitreyi Banerjee. The 'Sheila Kalawade Shield of Honor' for academic excellence and contribution to the hostel was awarded to Phoebe Guite and Roopali Jain.

This year has been one of great opportunities and experiences for us Panditas which helped us flourish with each passing day and we hope to continue this streak of growth, learning and productivity ahead.

Ms. Manali Sharma
General Secretary

Library

Library Committee for the year 2018-19 comprised of:

Staff Representatives:

Mrs. Rita Chettiar (Convenor), Mrs. Shubhangi Gavankar (Librarian), Mrs. Neha Koshy, Mr. Sudhir Shetty, Mrs. Muneerah Khambawalla, Mrs. Heena Shaikh, Mrs. Ruby Malshe, Mrs. Harsha Vijaywargi, Mrs. Sunita Chauhan

Student representatives:

Mr. Rushikesh Bajre TYBA, Miss. Tasneem Lokhandwalla SYBSc, Mr. Vivek Jhawar FYJC Sc, Miss. Kanan Nehra FYBMM, Mr. Shrivastha Venkyatesh FYJC Arts

Visit to Asiatic Library

21st Jun 2018, Library committee Convenor, Mrs. Rita Chettiar & entire library staff paid a half day visit to "The Asiatic Society of Mumbai" with the intent to familiarize themselves with the latest development on "Conservation of books & Digitization".

The information acquired during the visit is of immense value, rich in learning experience & useful for library staff for enabling to take extra care of books.

Number of books & Periodicals procured between Jan 2018 and Feb 2019 were added in total by

- Senior College - 494
- Junior College - 25
- Book Bank Books -Sr. College - 12
- Number of Existing Periodicals - 58

The Library had subscribed the First E-magazine "The Economist" during this academic year.

Display:

New books and academic displays were organized from time to time based on request from and for the departments.

Gifts:

Library had received a donation of three books from Mr R Chinai, Mr M Khan & Mrs R Chettiar. Library staff is thankful for their contribution in enriching the library collection.

Bar Coding of books

During Jan to Dec 2018, library staffs were engaged in Bar Coding of books. During this period bar coding procedure

was completed for subjects namely General, Category Statistics, Marathi, Zoology Reference & Education.

Vachan Prerana Diwas

15th Oct is celebrated every year as "Vachan Prerana Divas" to mark the 'Birth Anniversary' of our India's former President Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. Wide display of books written by Dr. Abdul Kalam was organised by the library staff. His motivating quotations were displayed on the notice board as well.

On 21st Dec 2018, Ms. Savita Tilak, College Counsellor organised a workshop on "How to increase work Excellency" for the library staff. They were very enthusiastic & willingly participated.

On the occasion of Library Orientation Programme- 22nd & 23rd Jan 2019

Mr. S.S. Raj, HOD of Political Science Department had delivered a talk on "How to inculcate the habit of reading among students". The library committee made the slots of first year Junior & Degree college students as well, according to the Time-Table. The library got tremendous response for the same.

Library staff exhibited various books on multi-disciplinary subjects at a prominent place

Library Orientation documentary film reader.

The Library Committee felicitated Mr. A Kureshi, Mr. A Panchmukh & Mr. G Alva for showing their alertness during fire emergency on 11th Dec 2018.

Mrs. S. Gavankar attended a workshop on "Digitization Standards & Workflows for Cultural Heritage" on 5th Feb 2019 at Asiatic Society of Mumbai. The workshop was conducted by the Two Centuries of Indian Print Project, British Library London, UK in collaboration with the Asiatic Society of Mumbai.

Library organised various competitions, namely Photography, Book Mark Marking, Quiz & Book Cover Making on 22nd & 23rd Jan 2019. There was an overwhelming response from the students.

Total 50 students participated.

Judges for three competitions were Mrs. Bincy Koshi & Dr. Sushant Mane.

Following participants were declared as Winners of competitions:

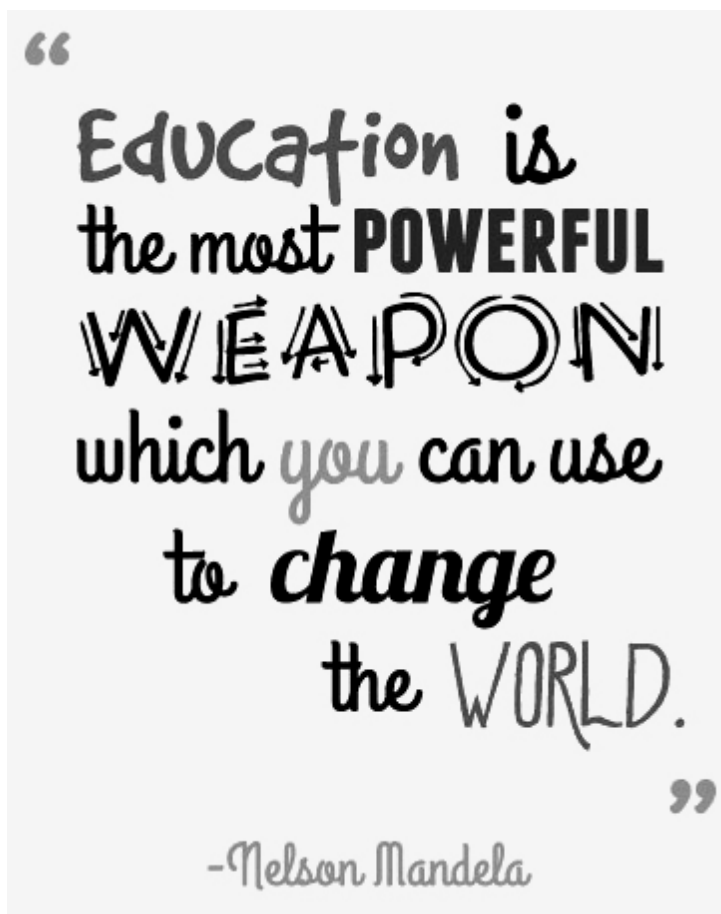
Activities	1 st Prize	2 nd Prize	3 rd Prize	Consolation Prize
Book Mark Making	Atika Popatiya MSc II	Maria Chettiar TYBSc	Suraiya Shaikh FYBA	
Book Cover Design	Riddhi Parmar TYBA	Vandana Jogadiya TYBSc	Maria Chettiar TYBSc	
Quiz	Tushal Jaiswal TYBSc	Angella Jathanna SYBA	Mehreen Taja FYJC	
Photography	Vandana Jogadia TYBSc	Atika Popatiya MSc II	Jayant Nakti SYBSc	Maria Chettiar TYBSc

Library staff had organized the “Prize Distribution Function” on 21st Feb 2019 in the library. Competition winners were felicitated by Dr. Anna Pratima. Nikalje, Principal, Dr. Harsha Badkar, HOD Philosophy Department & Dr. Anjali Masarguppi, IQAC Coordinator, with the “Trophies” as prizes.

Library staff is thankful to all those, who contributed directly and indirectly in making these events a success & extends special thanks to the Principal Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje, for her support and encouragement in the smooth functioning of library. The Library staff is also thankful to Dr. Anjali Masarguppi, IQAC coordinator & Dr. Zuleika Homavajir, BMS coordinator for their generous financial support.

I express my, as a Librarian and personal, sincere gratitude to all library staff for providing their constant support and good services to the staff & students of the college throughout the year.

Mrs. Shubhangi Gavankar
Librarian



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES REPORT

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

Wilson College received the **Leadership and Innovation: 2019 (under category of Best Graduate College)** award. The award is instituted by Higher Education Forum (HEF). It was conferred at a ceremony held on 9th March, 2019 and was received by the Principal and the Vice-Principal. AQAR 17-18 was filled in and submitted to NAAC on 13th December, 2019. College also applied for College with Potential for Excellence and the Best College award. The 'Best College' peer team visited the college on 20th January, 2019.

This year, the IQAC, undertook a variety of activities for both the faculty & students. Under the faculty development programme, a workshop by Dr. Madhuri Mavinkurve on FLIPPED CLASSROOM was organised for degree college teachers in the IT lab on 27th October, 2018. It was a five hour session and approximately 53 teachers participated. The workshop focussed on using ICT and other methods to bring in active learning into classroom. This pedagogical workshop aimed at adopting teaching methods that will help students with critical thinking and making them more employable by adding value to course content.

Dr. Ashish Uzgare conducted a session on 'Research Based Pedagogical Tool' (RBPT) on 15th March 2019 for all degree college teachers. The session emphasised on experiential learning and making students innovators rather than passive receivers of knowledge. The concept of RBPT emphasises on five Rs – recognise, require, refine, reward and report. The session also gave insight into how research can be incorporated into the regular curriculum and make student authorise their own work. The session concluded with an interesting exercise.

On 27th November, 2018, Dr. P. Sekhar, Chairman at Micro Tech Global foundation for National Growth was invited to speak on 'Academia and Industry Networking and Interaction'. Taking tips from the session, the Centre for Training and Placement has managed to facilitate better internship and placement opportunities for students. This was followed by another session by Dr. Sanjay Jagtap, Department of Botany, Elphinstone College on New CAS guidelines. Teachers got the opportunity to clarify all their doubts about placement related issues.

Activities conducted for students were: IQAC in collaboration with Centre for Training and Placement organised a session on CAPITAL MARKET AWARENESS on 27th September, 2018 for BA and BSc students. IQAC in coordination with the FY Foundation Course coordinator conducted a workshop on 'Building Awareness about Learning Disabilities' on 30th September, 2018. A session on 'Leadership in the Cross Cultural Context' by Prof. Olaf Zylics was organised in collaboration with the Political Science Association, on 26th February, 2019 for third year students of all faculties.

Self-defence workshops were conducted for all senior college students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9th January to last week of February, 2019. The workshop was conducted by Ridhish Thakur and his team of instructors. Each session consisted of about 50 pairs of students and hands-on training was given to students on how they could tackle any kind of unexpected assault. This year the College Library subscribed to a digital copy of the international academic magazine 'The Economist'. A session on 'Orientation to Research' was organised by the IQAC in collaboration with Research Committee on 4th April, 2019 for MSc students and faculty. The session was conducted by Dr. Tara Korti, Research Unit, TISS, Mumbai. We had more than 100 student participants including 40 participants from other colleges and 10 teaching staff.

IQAC approached GT Hospital to conduct a free medical check-up for non-teaching and teaching staff.

Concerted efforts were made to expedite pending online and offline CAS promotion cases. After continuous follow up with the University, we have met with some success. Mr. Pakhale's placement was completed on 20th March, 2019. Special thanks are due to Dr. Ashish Uzgare and CAS committee members. All routine academic requirements like administering Teacher's Assessment Questionnaire (TAQ), taking feedback from other stake holders, conducting Academic and Administrative Audit were fulfilled by the IQAC. This year Library and Examination audit was also conducted. Periodical meetings were held to discuss plans and to resolve any academic and administrative issues. A meeting of members of Internal Committee for Autonomy, members of the IQAC, heads and coordinators of departments was held on 29th January, 2019. Agenda for the meeting was 'Preparation for obtaining Autonomous Status'. The meeting was addressed by Dr. T. Shiware, Director, JWES and the

Principal. Dr. Anjali Masarguppi and Ms. Vinita Mathew attended the workshop on promotion UGC "Autonomous Colleges" Scheme organised by WRO UGC at Pune University campus. Dr. Ashish Uzgare, Vice-Principal and Dr. Anjali Masarguppi, IQAC coordinator attended a workshop on 'Innovation and Incubation' organised by State Project Directorate, RUSA at Guru Nanak Khalsa College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mumbai on 7th February, 2019.

YOUTH FOR GREEN FEST

The IQAC organised a 'Youth for Green Fest'- **A Climate Change Awareness Initiative** as an ISR activity on 14th and 15th February, 2019 as part of EC3 – create, care, conserve, on environment related activities. The theme this year was '**Climate Change Impact and Sustainable Pathways'(ccisp)** with the goal of creating adequate public awareness by focusing on the youth to sensitize them about the science and impact of climate change to explore solutions and emphasize the urgency for humanity to act to limit its harm to manageable limits. The activities consisted of competitions, workshops and sessions and a Model United Nations by Wilson College Rotaract Club. The event was sponsored by UCO Bank. We received more than 100 entries for competitions across India and a team of judges consisted of experts from Wilson College as well as outside the college. We had online submissions for the competitions with conscious intention of reducing our carbon footprints and use of paper.

On the first day, Mr. Vivek Gilani (Founder & Director: cBalance Solutions Hub) conducted an interactive workshop on calculating a carbon footprint based lifestyle and a participative dialogue on climate justice. The resource person aimed at creating a range of tools and solutions that enable citizens and institutions to measure their environmental impact and transform it through informed consumption choices. Towards the end, Mr. Gilani made everyone calculate their carbon footprint and encouraged everyone to use the 8 most powerful personal footprint mitigation actions. After the collective exercise on calculating the carbon footprint he had a discussion with a smaller group of 30 Green Fest Volunteers on various issues and solutions available on addressing the issue of climate change.

On second day, during the inaugural function- the gathering was addressed by Principal who spoke at length about the importance of environmental conservation, green chemistry and the green initiatives of the College. The fest was inaugurated by Chief Guest Rtn. Ashmi Parekh who

spoke about importance of conservation of environment and attributes of leadership among youth. Mr. Sudhir Shetty briefed the audience about the details of the fest. This was followed by a Bharatnatyam performance on the theme of environment by Dhaneshwar Savaria, disciple of Guru Smt. Ratnam Janardhanan. Dhaneshwar, through his performance, conveyed a beautiful message of how human beings do not understand the importance of conserving the environment and how human existence depends upon the environment itself. There after two parallel events were organised: a session based on advocacy of climate change and the Model United Nations – Combating Climate Change.

Mr. Kamal Kumar Murari (Assistant Professor, Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability Studies, School of Habitat Studies, TISS, Mumbai Campus) conducted a session on the Science of Climate Change and the impact on India. The session emphasised on how the ocean is taking up more heat every year and also how the ice caps are shrinking, and the urgency to mitigate the impact of climate change. The session was followed by a panel discussion on Climate Change Response Strategies for Mumbai. Panellist Mr. Rishi Aggarwal (Founder -Mumbai Sustainability Centre & Safai Bank) addressed the issue of Solid Waste Management undertaken by his initiative – Safai bank- that builds awareness about appropriate disposal of waste plastic wrappers. Safai Bank of India is a simple and effective mechanism to divert millions of waste items from reaching city dumping grounds. The platform is currently working with Multi-Laminated Packaging (MLP) waste only, which is one of the largest types of plastic waste being generated that has poor disposal procedures.

The second panellist Mr. Stalin D, heads Conservation Projects at Vanashakti, Mumbai. He spoke on the Current Status and importance of Mangroves of Mumbai. He explained the environmental degradation that has been done in and around areas of Mumbai due to various projects that have been launched by the Government without adhering to proper environment norms and that Mumbai has already lost 40 % of its mangroves. He also explained about how Vanashakti initiative is working towards preventing mangrove cutting by the slums and encroachments. He also made the audience aware about the diverse ecosystem in general and of Mumbai in particular like Sanjay Gandhi National Park and Thane Creek Flamingo Sanctuary and their biodiversity. He brought up various issues that the city is facing due to environmental damage such as flooding during rains because the Bandra

Kurla complex is entirely constructed on the estuary of the Mithi river that the Aarey colony is losing its forest cover due to the construction of the Metro Car shed and that the need of the hour is to design and implement conservation strategy for wetland. During the question – answer session he explained the various PIL fought and won by Vanashakti like Sewri Mangrove case, JVLR Mangrove Plot & Kanjurmarg Dumping ground case. He informed students about various organization and Government bodies that are involved in the conservation of mangroves. All technical sessions were very well received by students and students of biosciences, particularly, benefitted immensely from these deliberations.

For the Fest we had invited start-ups with innovative eco-friendly products. Bisleri had installed a plastic collection bin and a sitting bench that was made from the used wrappers. A start-up She Cup that sells reusable silicon menstrual cups put up a stall as their ISR activity to build awareness about the product and to explain how it reduced the stress on environment. SuckIN, manufacturers of stainless steel and bamboo straws also put up a stall.

The panel of judges for the competition consisted of Ms. Janhavi Mallapur (poster making), Ariba Parvez Khan, Digital Marketing specialist (short film, jingles, online social media events), Ms. Vinita Mathew (essay writing), Dr. Devdatta Lad (Let's Research (Survey/ primary research)). The winners of the competition are:

Sr. No.	Event Name	Winners (Cash Prizes)
1.	Short film on environmental themes	<p>I Rs. 6,000: Team comprising Sanjana Sharma, Ishita Baluni, Mansi Singh, Muskan Sharma, Shagun Singh, Zainab Baugwala, (Banasthali Vidyapith, Rajasthan)</p> <p>II No second prize was given as none qualified</p>
2	Poster making -Handmade or Graphic (Judged on the basis of Idea or theme)	<p>I Rs 3,000: Noyonika Banerjee & Tanvi Joshi (Banasthali Vidyapith, Rajasthan)</p> <p>II Rs 2,000: Shraddha Tandel (D.G. Ruparel College)</p>

3	Jingles	<p>I Rs 4,000: Team comprising Yutika Banerjee, Milan Solanki, (Malani Kishore Sanghvi College, Mumbai)</p> <p>II No second prize was awarded as none qualified</p>
4	Let's Research (Survey/ primary research)	<p>I Rs 6,000: Ravi Singh & Afreen Mazgaonkar (K.P.B. Hinduja College, Mumbai)</p> <p>II Rs 4,000: Alicia A Dias & Zubia Shaikh (St. Xaviers College, Mumbai)</p>
5	Essay writing	<p>I Rs 2,500: Marisa Manoj (Tolani College, Mumbai)</p> <p>II Rs 1,000: Melannie D'Mello (Wilson College, Mumbai)</p> <p>III Rs. 1,000: Dimple Jouhari (K.P.B College, Mumbai)</p>
6	Online social media events - Instagram - Twitter - Facebook	<p>I Rs 8,000: Jibin Lawrance, Kanan Nehra, Nilesh Bhatia (Wilson College)</p> <p>II Rs 6,000: Mansi Singh, Ishita Baluni ((Banasthali Vidyapith, Rajasthan)</p>

A parallel event of The Model United Nations (MUN) was organised by the Rotaract Club of Wilson College with assistance from the Rotary Club of Mumbai Downtown Sealand and the IQAC on 16th February 2019 as part of 'Youth for Green Fest'. The agenda for the MUN was 'Combating Climate Change'. There were 18 delegations as country representatives with 2 participants in each team. The delegates represented countries of Denmark, France, USA, China, India, UK, South Africa, Republic of North Korea, Cuba, Colombia, Russia, Iraq, Iran, Germany, Ghana, Bangladesh, Mexico, and Afghanistan. During the formal session various issues and problems were brought to light such as exhaustive use of non-renewable natural resources and other alternative methods to combat the situations provided in the present world political setting. It was followed by a few un-moderated and moderated causes. Wok Express sponsored lunch for delegates, volunteers, MUN OC and guests. President Rtr. Kamil Sheikh presided as the Chairperson and Mr. Anmol Jadhav as the Secretary General of the Executive Board. All delegates were commended with certificates and the deserving delegates were commended with awards.

The following are the award categories with the recipient delegations:

- 1) Best Delegation: China- Tryphene Fonseca and Adhikar Premier (Wilson College)
- 2) Best Commendation: India- Abbas Kothari and Fatima Marftiya (Wilson College)
- 3) Special Mention: USA- Sreedev Kumar and Joshua D'Souza (Wilson College)
- 4) Critical Thinking: Iran - Varsha Singh and Rahul Sinha (Wilson College)
- 5) Honourable Mention: UK- Veda Kapadia and Vidhan Kapadia (Nath Valley School /Stepping Stones Aurangabad)

The session concluded with the bill upholding the values and points supporting 'Combating Climate Change' and the session was adjourned by President. Rtr. Diandra Barretto.

I would like to thank Mr Sudhir Shetty, coordinator of the event for conceptualising and executing the event. He was well supported by co-coordinator Dr.Devdutta Lad and committee members Dr.Harsha Badkar, Dr.Ajita Kumar, Dr.Biraj Mehta, Ms. Elizabeth Koshy, Mr.Sadik, Ms. Natasha Karras, Ms. Anjali Mali. We received invaluable support and inputs from student volunteers:

Department	Name
Core Team	Garvita Ayachit, Aiman Shamim, Kanan Nehra
Social Media	Alexander Sharma (FYBMM), Nishtha Bisht (FYBMM)
Admin	Garvita Ayachit (SYBMM)
Reach Out	Kanan Nehra (FYBMM)
PR Activity	Nishtha Bisht (FYBMM), Kanan Nehra (FYBMM), Aiman Shamim (SYBA), Smriti (FYBSC), Tanay Patwardhan (FYBMM), Priyanjana (FYBA), Anoushka Mathew (FYBMM), Alexander Sharma (FYBMM), Shivam Bhanushali (FYBMM), Aashi Shrivastava (FYBMM), Shamit (FYBMM), Pranav Nakti (FYBMM), Shonak (FYBMM), Sakshi (FYBMM), Anud (FYJC), Chhavi (FYBMM), Simran (FYBSC), Elham (FYJC)

Tech Support	Aditya (FYBMM)
Graphic Designing	Nilesh Bhatia (SYIT), Saloni (SYBMM)
Whatsapping And Calling Team	Kanan Nehra (FYBMM), Tanay Patwardhan (FYBMM), Anoushka Mathew (FYBMM), Priyanajan (FYBA), Sakshi (FYBMM), Sarah (FYBMM), Shonak (FYBMM), Shivam (FYBMM) Khushi (FYJC)

I would like to thank the Principal, who is also the Chairperson of the IQAC for all her support and encouragement, members of the IQAC, teaching faculty and office staff for cooperation and support through the year and Ms.Neha Kanadefor pitching in for administrative assistance.

Dr. Anjali Masarguppi
IQAC Coordinator

An IQAC Initiative - Green Warriors

The Green Warriors was initiated under the aegis of the IQAC in the academic year 2016-2017, since a need was felt to have some form of responsible action towards the environment, on the college campus. This year the group was able to collect waste material from various sections of the college and send it to the NGO Stree Mukti Sangathana, in exchange for which the college received good quality recycled paper which is used for a variety of printing purposes. The following quantity of waste was disposed to the NGO:

Date	Paper	Plastic/Metal	Card-board	E-waste
24-07-2018	1,300.00 kg	15.00 kg	----	93.80 kg
10-08-2018	944.00 kg	26.00 kg	----	----
13-03-2019	955.00 kg	112.00 kg	11.00 kg	----
Total	3,199.00 kg	153.00 kg	11.00 kg	93.80 kg

The College received 30 reams of legal size paper of 75gsm and 100 reams of A4 size paper of 75gsm at the cost value of 32,600 rupees, in exchange for the waste material given to StreeMukti this academic year.

We are grateful to the non-teaching staff and students Afsana Sayed, Noorjahan Shaikh, Rida Fatema and Celine Rouse for helping out.

Ms. Vinita Mathew & Ms. Meghana Gore

Students' Council

The process for constituting the Students' Council body for the academic year 2018-19 was initiated in the month of August. As per the directives of the In-charge principal, applications were called from the students with good academic record for various posts. In view of poor response of the students it was decided that the council will be constituted through nominations by the Coordinators for self-financing courses, Students' council committee members (for class representatives) and convenors of the concerned committee as directed by In-charge principal, who also is the Chairperson of the Students' Council. However, the process was stalled due to the non-receipt of the official circular or guidelines from the University to constitute the Students' Council body.

In capacity of the convenor of the Students' Council Committee a workshop was organised in collaboration with 'The Movement' which is the volunteer mobilising arm of the NGO Vision Rescue. The workshop titled 'The Movement-Workshop on Human Trafficking' was organised to create awareness about human trafficking. 172 students of FYBA attended the workshop.

An interactive session aimed at motivating young girls to join Indian Army, promote the national message of 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao' and understand the contribution of Indian army towards women empowerment and upliftment was organised in the month of December. A team of five women officers of Indian Army. The team was a part of 'NARI SHAKTI MOTORCYCLE EXPEDITION", who were on a move from Bhopal to Secundrabad, visited Wilson College to promote this idea.

Annual Prize Distribution ceremony was organised on 23rd Feb 2019 with the help of the Dean of Women students and a dedicated team of student volunteers in which around 84 students received scholarships and awards for excelling in academics in the academic year 2018-19.

Convocation Ceremony for students who've graduated in the academic year 2017-18 was organised on 2nd March 2019. The Graduating Ceremony for the outgoing students of the current academic year was held on 16th March 2018. The students attended the Chapel service which was followed by refreshment and an 'Open mike' session for the students.

Dr. Ajita Kumar
Dean of Students

National Service Scheme

The NSS unit of the college was enrolled with Mumbai University for this academic year with the strength of 50 volunteers. An advisory committee was set up with Prof. Bandu Konde, Prof. Jai Knox, Prof. Joyce Kurien, Dr. Devdatta Lad. Mr. Solomon Wasker was selected as unit leader and was for Leadership Training Programme at the University.

An Orientation programme was conducted for the volunteers in 4 sessions to make them aware of NSS Programme and to train and build them for achieving goals and fulfilling objectives of the scheme. Dr. Sunil Patil, Dr. Satish Kolte, Prof. Sudhakar Solomonraj and Prof. Bandu Konde were the resource person for the day.

The three themes selected for this year – SWACHHA BHARAT, Special Community Services and Education-Enlightenment-Empowerment.

The activities conducted under this project were 'Cleanliness'. Volunteers contributed their services in activities like Library Cleanliness, Dadar Beach Cleanliness Drive-supported by Indian Coast Guard, Campus Cleaning, Kalina Campus Cleaning and Chowpatty Cleaning-supported by UCO Bank.

The Red Ribbon Club activities were: training of volunteers at 'MDACS'; Blood Donation Drive-01, conducted with Saifee Hospital. Blood Units collected-130. Blood Donation Drive-02, conducted with Indian Red Cross Society. Units collected-82.

Thalassemia is an inherited blood disorder so; a check-up camp was organised by 30 volunteers for the TY students of our college 133 students undertook.

AIDS AWARENESS WEEK (1st December,18 to 8th December,18)

There was a short presentation made by the volunteers on Aids as a stigma, it was followed by a discussion and interaction by the volunteers. The session highlighted the issues of Aids and its impact in the society.

Posters were made by the volunteers to create awareness regarding this issue, various slogans quotes were put up on the campus.

Small bookmarks were made which contained details of MDACS e.g. its helpline no, address, 3R's, etc. The bookmarks were then distributed in the college campus.

A Quiz was held for the students, teachers, non-teaching staff, etc. It help understand the extent to which people were aware about Aids

Two short films were screened which showcased the truth of the society in treating Aids patients and the myths associated with it.

A Human chain was formed by the volunteers as a symbol of Red cross which is the symbol of Aids awareness. After the chain formation slogans were raised which sensitised the people around.

For the Plantation Drive, 30 saplings of Neem and Badami were planted at Evershine, Vasai.

Like every year our volunteers also did special community services. They worked with the Mumbai Police during Ganesh Festival. 45 volunteers worked in Crowd Control Activity during Ganpati Visarjan (Dated 14th,17th,19th and 23rd September,18). Pre-camp Visit to Thakurwadi, Badlapur on 18th December,18; Volunteers interacted with the Villagers, checked the status of the school and residential areas and also visited the Adhar Centre.

Third Eye Fest was organised by the Andrew's Vision Centre on 12th February,18. Prof. Dr. Biraj Mehta had taken the initiative in fixing the schedule and co-ordination of the activity.

To highlight Education, Enlightenment and Empowerment, our Volunteers alongwith the Political Science Association organised various talks and sessions on the various social issues.

Human Rights Week: 10th Dec to 15th Dec, Inauguration: 10th Dec,18, Sambhaji Bhagat on Music and Human, Dignity: 11th Dec,18, Sreejata Paul session on LGBT, Rights: 12th Dec,18, Anand Teltumbde session on Dalit and Weaker section's Rights: 13th Dec,18, Open Mic: 14th Dec,18 and Ms. Kannama session on Misogyny: 15th Dec,18

Our Volunteers participated in various activities called by the University and other colleges of the Mumbai City. The activities were Peace rally, Rally to fight against Addiction, Bhajan Sandhya, Meatless Day, HOSH Walkathon, Voice of Youth, Youth Manifesto'19, Marathi Diwas, etc. Activities held at the college were Independence Day, NSS prayer and song was performed by the Volunteers on that day, few volunteers also recited poems and speeches. On the

Teacher's Day, bookmarks were distributed to the teachers and staff members of the college. In Ole 'The Annual Fest', the volunteers worked in various Departments during preparations and execution of the events. The Volunteers also worked on the ground to assist the Gymkhana Team on the Sports Day. On Republic Day our volunteers helped in arranging the events, also there performed a Classical Song on this occasion.

Special (Residential) Camp (5th January,19 to 11th January,19)

NSS Unit of Wilson College had organised a seven-day special camp for the year 2018-19, from 5th January to 11th January. There were altogether 8 male and 17 female junior volunteers with 5 senior volunteers. The camp was held in our adopted village Thakurwadi in Badlapur. There were various sessions and physical work involved in the camp.

On Day1: The kitchen was set up and rooms were cleaned and later in the afternoon Prof Biraj Mehta took a session on 'Gender Stereotype' followed by cleaning of the surrounding premises.

Day2: Cleaning of the school premises was done followed by a session on '10 positive things about one self's, after the session a dam visit was arranged which ended with a survey in the village.

Day3: There was visit to Aadhar Centre which is a centre for mentally retarded people, where we interacted with the patients. Session on 'Listening and Thinking' was conducted by Prof Devdutt Lad.

Day4: Garbage collection was done from the school, streets and village which was dumped in the ground dug by the volunteers. This day came to end with a session by Prof Joyce Kurien on 'Mathematics tricks.

Day5: The volunteers helped the villagers in flooring the area and bricks collection, followed by session by Prof Jai Knox on 'Purpose of NSS'. In the evening Sports day was conducted for the village kids which ended with a Star gazing session by Prof Mahesh Shetty.

Day6: The work flooring of the ground continued and fencing outside the school was undertaken & completed. In the afternoon a session by Prof Mahesh Shetty was held on 'Types of Intelligence' followed by Cultural performance by the volunteers for the villagers.

Day7: The volunteers went for trekking & on return attended a session on 'Team work' by Prof Caroline. The camp ended with a prize distribution ceremony for kids and a review meeting for the volunteers.

All the volunteers returned from the camp with meaningful insights.

Achievements of NSS Volunteers

1. Ms. Ashwini Dubey, NSS representative in Students Council, received BEST NSS VOLUNTEER AWARD 2018-19. She also won the Teacher-Student debate organised by PSA
2. Ms. Poornima Kadam, Women's representative in Students Council, received prestigious 'The Mary Murthy Prize' for female student with 'Good Academic Record and Outstanding Social Work'.
3. Achievements in Academic Sphere by NSS Volunteers 2018-19
Adhikar Premier won the Best Varsha Singh won the Best Critical Thinker Award in MUN organised by Rotaract Club, Wilson College Lester Pereira won the Best Speaker Award in MUN organised by PSA.
4. Inter-Collegiate Achievements by NSS Volunteers 2018-19. Wilson College received the 2nd BEST COLLEGE Award in BHARARI Fest of Sydenham College NSS Unit. Lester Pereira won the best CL (Contingent Leader) Award in Bharari Fest. Mr. Solomon Wasker and Lester Pereira won the Quiz Competition in Bharari Fest. Ms. Jasmine Picardo and Sonam Khan stood 2nd in the Quiz Competition of Bharari Fest. Ms. Andrea Dsouza won the Essay Competition in BHARARI Fest.
5. In Relaython by R.K. Initiative, Wilson was the only college to volunteer, thus our Volunteers were felicitated with a trophy by them.

I thank the Principal, Registrar, the members of the account section, members of the Advisory Committee and NSS Committee, supporting staff and the Volunteers for their involvement and support of every kind given during the implementation of NSS Activities throughout the year.

'NOT ME BUT YOU'

*Dr. H.A. Parbat
Programme Officer.*

Rotaract Club

The Rotaract Club of Wilson College (RCWC)" established in year 2016 has seen a steady growth since. The theme for the present Rotaract year was "Explore, Expand and Excel" various activities were executed. The professors in-charge of RCWC are Prof. Kailas Shinde and Prof. Abhishek Chris.

RCWC has executed numerous activities in collaboration with various departments in college this year the District Rotaract Club of Mumbai conducted a Rotaract Orientation on 17th August, 2018 for RCWC. We started conducting Activities after the Annual Rotaract Club inauguration programme on 25th August 2018. The activities conducted in year 2018-19 by RCWC are as follows,

- PUBG tournament on 10th September, 2018
- Wildlife SOS; a talk by Mr. Wasim Akram along with the Biology and Zoology Departments on 12th September
- Letter Head Exchange with Rotaract Club of Delhi Central on 14th September, 2018
- Rose Day for Cancer patients at Tata Memorial Hospital 22nd September, 2018
- Beach Clean-up activity at Girgaon Chowpatty after Ganesh Chaturthi on 24th September, 2018
- Book Donation drive on 27th November, 2018 and Wall Painting at Charni Road Station on 29th September 2018 in collaboration with the department of BMM
- Vocational Awards for non-teaching staff of Wilson College on 29th September, 2018
- Health Awareness week on Social Media beginning on 1st October, 2018
- Maha-Walkathon for Road safety on 18th November, 2018
- RCWC-MUN event based on Combating Climate Change along with the IQAC department of Wilson College on 15th of February, 2019

RCWC looks forward to many more memberships and collaborations in the coming years.

Mr. Abhishek Chris & Mr. Kailas Shinde

Training and Placement Committee

- First meeting of Centre for Training and Placement was held on 20th August, 2018 in Centre for training and Placement office. Agenda for the meeting was to plan activities for the year, delegate in charges for the various sub committees.
- IQAC in collaboration with Centre for Training and Placement organized session on BSE Capital Market Awareness on 27th September, 2018 and 56 students were present for that session. Relevant topics such as financial planning, capital market awareness, mutual funds and equity investing were discussed in the programme.
- Under initiative of Dr. Zuleika Homavazir total 229 students from BMS, BAF, Economics department attended Pre Placement talk by Morgan Stanley for campus internships and Placements on 3rd October, 2018. 147 students have been shortlisted to attend online aptitude test.
- 5 students were shortlisted for Stipend based (Rs. 27000/- a month) summer internship with Operations division at Morgan Stanley.
- 2 students were shortlisted for full time analyst in Legal and Compliance 4,24,000 LPA at Morgan Stanley.
- 4 students were selected for final offer for placement INR 3, 97,500 CTC per annum at Morgan Stanley as full time analyst role with Operations division.
- Indian Education Society's Management College and Research Centre sent us information about their programme which is meant to help undergraduate students choose career paths, at the same time, make them efficient corporate, professional and socially responsible citizens.
- Pittie group sent us requirement for the post of Management Trainee with the package of INR 3,60,000 LPA.
- Dr. Devdatta Lad conducted session on "Avenues in Zoology" for FYBSc students on 1st October, 2018.
- TATA Consultancy Services has approached Centre for Training and Placement for their IGNITE 2018.
- Centre for Training and Placement in collaboration with IT department organized introductory session on TCS IGNITE 2018 Qualifier test on 1st November, 2018. 16 students registered and appeared for their online test.
- Lemark Institute of Fashion designing, Teach for India, sent us brochures regarding the various courses which they are providing.
- Credence company shared their requirements of Internship of software developer, web development for IT students.
- PaysoFintech sent us Internship requirement for the post of Business Development Executive and Customer Service.
- One of our student Ms. Rushali Salvi got selected for interview at Asian Paints for the post of capacities of Demand Planning in supply chain team.
- IQAC initiative 'Industry Academia' was taken on agenda and databases of students from various departments of college were collected. The contacts of different companies were also taken from departments to increase Placement ratio.
- BMS visiting faculty Ms. Sasmita Dongre had conducted Resume Writing session for the students on 9th January, 2019.
- The Employability Skills Enhancement Programme was revived in this academic year. Total of 125 ESEP registrations were received and interviews taken by committee members of ESEP. Total 11 students are benefiting from this programme.
- We are in touch with companies like Asian paints, TCS, Mahindra, Pittie Group, TSS consultancy, IKS health care, Capital First, Aditya Birla Capital, Pittie group for current year placements of our students.
- We shared 4 students' profiles with Mahindra Finance for the post of Executive- Learning and Development.
- We have facilitated students to Endurance group, Futurista Consulting, Indian political action committee, Awign group, Mahindra finance etc. for various positions interview off campus.
- D.E. SHAW Company shared their job requirement with us for Associate Technology systems with package of Rs. 19 LPA. We shared resumes of 24 students with the company. 4 of our students got shortlisted and appeared for their online aptitude test.
- D.E. SHAW Company shared their job requirement with us for Associate Research with package of Rs. 19,50,000-20,50,000 with joining bonus of Rs. 1,50,000 and 1 of our BMS student applied for this post.

- One of our students Ms.Suzana Wasker is currently interning with Terence Louis academy Rs.10000 stipend per month and they have also offered her permanent job.
- CEP registration forms were received online this year total 143 students have applied.
- Total 7 rounds of interviews took place at Centre for Training and Placement office. Interview panel included CEP, Placement committee members and non-committee members.
- 54 students were final students for the Cooperative Education programme 2019. The sessions will be from 4th May,2019 and the camp will be from 5th May to 9th May,2019
- Students will be interning from 13th May,2019 to 31st May,2019 in various firms like The Movement, Popshot, Ahura Support centre, Ultra tech, Brown book studios Pvt. Ltd., Bombay Natural History Society, Saifee Hospital, Green Souls, TIFR, Thane smart city project etc.
- June 2019 first week will see a series of sessions for students with their presentations followed by Valedictory function.
- Sankalp IAS forum sent us their brochure of Seminar for How to study UPSC,MPSC and other competitive exams.
- IT department students appeared for Infosys pool campus drive in Maharashtra College and 3 students got successfully placed.
- Under the Employability Skills Enhancement Programme, Placement Committee organized series of sessions like "Personality Development", "Creating Positive Impressions", "Resume Writing", "Working with Others", "Interview and group discussion", "Public speaking" etc. for the students. Students who were enrolled for the entire programme and students who were interested in attending individual sessions benefitted from ESEP.
- Personality Development session was taken by Ms.RohiniDsouza from Xaviers Institute
- Placement Week 2019 was held from 11th to 16th March, 2019 and some of the renowned companies like Furtados school of Music, LIC ,Indian Political Action Committee, were on campus for hiring our students.
- Savage & Palmer, Soulflower , Radio Mirchi, Popshot, Green Rootz, Growisto, Endurance International were the companies for Off-campus placement.
- Total 346 Applications received from all streams of college various departments.
- Indian Action Political Committee, Pearl Academy, Concept PR, Furtados School of Music interviewed our students. Off campus interviews taken place at Endurance International office also at Green Rootz.
- Radio Mirchi sent us requirement to do on campus Jock hunt to hire RJ's from our college. Radio Mirchi Jock hunt interview were attended by 25 people.
- Digichef conducted online aptitude test for the students where 9 students shortlisted for next rounds of interviews.
- We have shared 52 applications for Green Rootz – Graduate Trainee position out of which 13 students got shortlisted.
- ACE overseas company shortlisted 11 students out of 72 applications which we shared for three position sent by them.9 students attended interview at ACE office.
- Furtados School of Music interviewed 8 students on campus also Concept PR conducted interviews for Role of PR for final placements as well as internships.
- Irobokid interviews were attended by 8 students.
- Green Rootz offered Graduate Trainee position job to our student Pearl Coelho with package of 1.5L+ Incentives.
- Jio Saavn – south Asias leading music service sent us requirement for the post of Copywriter (Internship)
- Our IT student Riya Mehta got placed in ACE Overseas Education Consultant with package of INR 2.5LPA
- Our students Chanel Rick, Mahima Sharma and Sheetal Mundhra got internship in Soulflower company for Social Media Marketing Post with stipend of Rs.8000 per month.
- B.Sc(IT) students were successfully placed in various companies. 6 were placed at Deloitte, 5 got placed at LTI and 15 students at Capgemini.
- B.Sc. students Bhairvi Jangid, Sarah Shaikh, Hency Johnson, Sayalee Tendulkar got internship in Saifee Hospital in Pathology and Hematology department.

- Digipanda shared job description for Team managers for their company for their upcoming shoe Dance India Dance on Zee TV. We have shared 6 interested students profile with the company.

*Ms. Neha Elizabeth Koshy
Convener, Centre for Training and Placement*

Internal Complaints Committee

The Internal Complaints Committee of Wilson College was constituted on 23rd October, 2018, according to the University Grants Commission Regulations, 2015. The names of the Committee Members and their mobile numbers have been displayed in the college.

Dr. Kranti Jejurkar, retired Principal of Siddharth College and retired Chairperson of the Women Development Cell and Complaints Committee, University of Mumbai, conducted an orientation for all teaching and non-teaching staff of the college on, "Prevention of Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: The Law and Us," on 2nd November, 2018. Dr. Jejurkar subsequently addressed the students of the Wilson College from both the aided and unaided sections on the 7th February, 2019. Dr. Kranti oriented the students to the functioning of the I.C.C.

A state level intensive Workshop on University Grants Commission (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women Employees and students in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2015, organized by the I.C.C. of R.A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics, Matunga, was attended by the Presiding Officer Rashna Patel and Veronica Bhonsle Committee member of the I.C.C., Wilson College on the 2nd March, 2019.

The National Seminar on 'Gendered Academic Cultures & Sexual Harassment in the Academia': #Me Too & Beyond, organized by The Women's Development Cell, University of Mumbai in association with Gender Issues Cell, K.C.College, was attended by the Presiding Officer Rashna Patel and Veronica Bhonsle committee member of the I.C.C. Wilson College, Mumbai on the 6th March.

Advocate Veena Gowda addressed the staff and students of the Wilson College, on Women's Rights and Gender Equality on 8th March, 2019. Regular meetings are conducted of the I.C.C. No complaints have been received till date.

Ms. Rashna Patel
Presiding Officer, ICC.

Andrews Vision Centre (AVC)

The Motto of AVC is

"To Help Visually Challenged Students to be Educationally, Technologically, Psychologically and Socially Enriched so That They are Better Equipped to Face the Challenges of Life"

True to its motto, the centre continues in its moral commitment, courage, perseverance and faith in Almighty to make inclusive education possible in Wilson College. The centre has successfully helped more than 100 visually challenged students (since 2008) integrate into mainstream education offered at Wilson College. Its initiatives continue to be supported by ROLTA Foundation, infrastructural support by college management and support from well wishers

The centre is equipped with different assistive technologies designed specifically to cater to the need of visually challenged students of Wilson College. It houses 5 internet enabled terminals with appropriate navigation, reading, magnification, conversion softwares and printing and scanning facilities. A strong and committed volunteer group (more than 70 teachers and students) continues to provide assistance as readers, scribes, friends and mentors.

The AVC has enlisted 27 members (20 boys and 7 girls) in the academic year 2018-2019. ie

TYBA : 03, SYBA: 04, FYBA: 05, SYJC: 05, FYJC: 10

Apart from the above students, some of the students of other colleges (K.C College and St Xaviers College) are also using AVC facilities.

Wilson College students with learning disabilities also make use of the centre.

They are mentored by a committee of five faculty members of Wilson College.

Convenor: Dr. Biraj Mehta, Committee Members: Mr. BanduKonde, Ms. AshwiniBapat, Ms. Manisha Tribhuvan, Ms.Pinki Gala.

Current Activities of the Centre

Appointment of full time co ordinator Ms. Sejal Chauhan to look after the centre's activities

The centre continues to provide academic and skill development support to its members.

Students participated in paper presentation competitions across the city. Ashwin Waghmare and Rahul Singh won second and third prizes at Joshi Bedekar College College of Arts and Commerce, Thane and Krishanchand Chellaram Degree and Junior College respectively.

Students continue to participate in cultural events and win awards at inter collegiate competitions.

The centre is successfully represented at important college events like Independence Day and teacher's day celebration and nature club concert. Their performances of our musicians and yoga artists have been much appreciated.

9 students secured scholarships from Help The Blind Foundation .

A workshop on audio editing by Mr. Sanjay Gupta.

Remedial teaching for students studying Logic for both junior and degree college students. Mr. Ashwin Waghmare secured 82/100 in TYBA examinations.

AVC members were invited to a music show "An evening of mystical experience" conducted by eminent musicians of Hindustani classical music of the city. We are grateful to Mr. Amey Dabli for the same.

"Yoga for Concentration" workshop by Ms. Nisha Dhariya.

Students have won prizes in sports events like chess, athletics and short put at inter collegiate sports event for blind conducted by

Mentor's meeting with Dr. Sam Skariah, and former students of Wilson College Mr. Ajay Shukla and Bittu Jaiswal. An interactive and fun filled gathering of members, volunteers and teachers who interacted with the mentors, shared their experiences and bonded as a family.

Third Eye Programme - the most awaited event of the centre. The annual AVC festival aims at sensitizing people and spreading awareness about visual disability. The programme was inaugurated with a malakhabh performance by AVC members that left the audience spell bound! Mono acting by Mr. Harshad to spread awareness on gender disability intersectionality also invited much applause. "The Walk" in the dark invited participation from more than 225 students, teaching and non teaching staff. They had conversations in dark over tea (prepared by participants who were blind folded), identified currency, vegetables and walked the obstacle path blindfolded. Participants also played games,

participated in origami, Vedic maths, abacus workshops with the AVC members. AVC members challenged the sighted people over game of chess and Mr. Yusuf Balaporia remains undefeated in chess for the third consecutive year ! Sighted participants were also challenged to innumerable tasks like navigating around the college blindfolded and on completion they were awarded a book mark with their name in Braille. More than 100 volunteers contributed to the success of the programme.

The AVC also Successful organization Certificate course in Disability Studies.

Success Stories of AVC

Mr. Ajay Shukla secured admission at the prestigious Media School, TISS Mumbai Campus.

Mr. Azharuddin Shaikh secured job at Maharashtra Bank.

Rahul Singh has topped the college with 85.73% in XIIth standard board examination.

Ms. Payal Bhattad passed NET examination and secured Junior Research Fellowship at the UGC NET examination, January 2019.

We are happy to report that all our students of FYJC, SYJC, FYBA, SYBA and TYBA cleared their respective exams with good grades. Students who appeared for 12th std board examination scored very well as 6 secured distinction, 3 secured first class and 1 secured second class. TYBA, AVC members have secured good grades in Semester V examinations (2 secured first class and 1 secured second class).

Volunteers of AVC are the soul of the centre. They have grown, evolved and have transformed many lives (including ours) in ways beyond measure. None of this would be possible without the support of our Principal Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje and Management of Wilson College. Thank you for having faith in us and always supporting and motivating us to strive towards excellence. We would also like to thank Mr. Rex (EBCO Pvt. Ltd) Shri Harikishanji Biyani (Biyani Papers), Mr. Samir Kate, Dr. Michelle Phillip Ms. Srigantha, Ms. Harsha Vijayvargi, Ms. Suhasini Kate, Mr. Sudhakar Solomon Raj, Dr. Anand Burange, Mr. Thomson and Mr. Jamson Masih for their support.

Last but not the least, the Sandies family and Dr. Sam Skariah who continues to mentor and unconditionally support the

centre. Thank you for being our guide and blessing us with values of Vishwas, Asha, Prem!

Dr. Biraj Mehta Rathi & Ms. Sejal Chauhan

Convenor and Centre Co ordinator, Andrews Vision Centre

Hindi Parishad

The literary and cultural activities of the department are planned and organised keeping in view the needs, interests, inclinations and talents of the students. This year too we kept the tradition and spirit of the department alive by hosting a variety of events.

The Inaugural function of Hindi Parishad was held on 28th of August 2018. Our eminent guests Dr. Sushila Gupta (Senior Executive Hindustani Prachar Sabha), Mrs. Sharda Bala Subramaniyam (Professor of English at K.C. College) and Mr. Suresh Jain (Senior Executive Officer from Hindustan Petroleum) lit the lamp to mark the inauguration of the Parishad.

The theme for this talk 'Aajki Hindi'. Dr. Gupta spoke about the need of learning and promoting Hindi in current times, Mrs. Subramaniyam spoke on the topic 'Hinglish' and Mr. Jain enlightened our students on 'the growing need of Hindi in the corporate sector'.

Under the aegis of the Parishad the department started the 'Saral Hindi certificate course' for senior college students.

Thereafter the parishad celebrated Hindi Pakhwada by organising different activities and contests in writing, oration, music, dance, art and other genres.

The debate competition was a big success both teachers and students enjoyed organising and participating in it. Our judges for the event were Dr. Sudhir Chaubey from K.C. College, Professor and poet Anjana Kumar Dubey from S.I.E.S. college and Mr. Ajay Chauhan from Navel Public School.

A poem recitation competition was organised by the Parishad as a tribute to our late Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Mr. Dubey also recited his own poems on this occasion. More than 50 students from Jr. And Sr. College participated in both these competitions.

On the occasion of 'Hindi Divas' Shri Jameel Gulrays, Madhuri Ganpule, Shirlyn Galbao, Meghana Abhyankar, Shekhar Singh, Geeta Sohni, Amey Barkar and Vallabhji

from 'Kathakathan' read out the stories 'Bade Bhai Saheb', 'Budhi Kaki' written by eminent writer Premchand and Manto's 'Ji aaya Saheb'. Students and teachers attended in large numbers. The objective was to encourage students to read Hindi books and promote Hindi literature and knowledge.

After that, a solo dance and singing competition was organised. Our judges were Dr. Usha Dubey from M.D. College and Professor Thomson from Wilson College Chemistry department. Many students participated and enjoyed the function thoroughly.

'Nil Batte Sannatta' was screened for college students on 5th October 2018. Different competitions like Mann ki baat, Nibandhlekhan, Ashulekhan, Vakrutva, Kavyalekhan, Vidyapan, Samvaadlekhan, Kahaanilekhan etc. were also organised during Hindi Pakhwada.

The prize winners of various events held throughout the year are as follows:

1. Essay Writing Competition		
Yamunadevi Gupta	FYJC Arts	First
Sakina Shikora	FYJC Arts	Second
Shrivatsa Venkatesh	FYJC Arts	Third
Malcolm Vakhariya	FYJC Arts	Consolation
2. Extempore Writing		
Sana Khan	FYJC Science	First
Smruti Sawants	SYJC Arts	Second
Shrivatsa Venkatesh	FYJC Arts	Third
Drusti Mandrekar	FYJC Arts	Consolation
3. Dialogue Writing		
Aditya Mishra	FYJC Science	First
Roshan Shah	FYJC Science	Second
Faimida Khan	FYJC Science	Second
4. Elocution Competition		
Shrivatsa Venkatesh	FYJC Arts	First
Sahrish Hakim	FYJC Arts	Second
Sakshi Singh	FYJC Arts	Third
Malcolm Vakhariya	FYJC Arts	Third
Yamunadevi Gupta	FYJC Arts	Consolation

5. Singing Competition		
Senior College:		
Neha Saxena	FYBA	First
Sneha Dowini	FYBA	Second
Surbhi Kritikudev	FYBA	Third
Junior College:		
Amay Desai	FYJC Arts	First
Pranali Dawre	FYJC Arts	Second
Sakshi Singh	FYJC Arts	Third
Nikita Polson	FYBA	First
Akshata Shetty	FYJC Arts	Second
Malcolm Vakhariya	FYJC Arts	Third
Junior College:		
Rushda Shamsi	FYBA Arts	First
Akash Pawar	FYJC Science	Second
Sakshi Singh	FYJC Arts	Third
Malcolm Vakhariya	FYJC Arts	Best Rebuttler
Akash Pawar	FYJC Science	First
Malcolm Vakhariya	FYJC Arts	Second
Priyanka Mishra	SYJC Arts	Third
Iqra Khan	FYJC Science	Third
Giti Gour	FYJC Arts	Third
Priyanka Mishra	SYJC Arts	First
Esha Joshi	FYJC Arts	Second
Shumila Merchant	FYJC Arts	Third
Rushda Shamsi	FYJC Arts	Consolation
Suryanshi Kuyate	FYJC Science	First
Neha Ilyas Mir	FYJC Science	Second
Aditya Mishra	FYJC Science	Third
Shrivatsa Venkatesh	FYJC Arts	Consolation

Special thanks to the Hindi parishad volunteers Manali Sharma, Rushda Shamsi, Shumila Merchant, Hina Darji, Esha Joshi, Royson, Roydon Crasto, Shrivatsa Venkatesh, Malcolm Vakhariya, Sakshi Singh for contributing to and organize multiple activities of the parishad.

The Prize Distribution ceremony of the Hindi Parishad & Marathi Vyangmey Mandal was held on 21st December

2018 under the banner Mel-Milap. It was attended by students and teachers in huge numbers. Students from Jr. and Sr. colleges entertained us with various cultural performances like Dance, fashion show, poetry recitation etc which beautified the event. Dr. Ashish Uzgare and Mrs. Smita Masih Vice principal of Senior and Junior college respectively graced the occasion with their presence. They felicitated winners with Prizes and certificates. Last but not the least our students surprised us with a huge bouquet as a token of their appreciation. All in all the year was a huge success for the parishad.

*Mrs. Sunita Chauhan
Hindi Parishad Advisor*

Marathi Wangmaya Mandal Report

"Marathi Wangmaya Mandal" had organized its inaugural function on 30th Aug 2018.

Mrs. Rashmi Warang, a well renowned R J (100.1 FM Gold) was invited for the function. Apart from her busy schedule she honored the invitation unreservedly to get connected with the present young generation. The function commence with 'Deep-Prajwalan' and a song recited by Ajinkya Raut (SYJC Arts). On this occasion the Chief Guest expressed her views and experiences in this field, further she elaborated the scope as RJ as well. She further motivated the students that this could be a possible opportunity to develop a carrier in this field. She asked the students to quote different themes and then elaborated on these topics in depth. She enlightened them on the following aspects of this profession - alertness, spontaneity, knowledge of different subjects, well versed with different aspects and sincerity etc.

Chief Guest Rashmi Warang kept the students engrossed for an hour and half, acknowledged by overwhelming response from the audience of more than 200 students & lecturers, leaving no room even to stand in the AV room. Then Principal Incharge Michelle Philip and Vice-Principal Jr. College Mrs. Smita Masih gave valuable guidance & encouraging speeches.

Success of the function was recognition of great enthusiasm & contribution of MWM's volunteers.

As per tradition MWM organized various competitions which were conducted between 3rd to 10th Oct 2018.

The results of competitions are tabulated as follows:

MARATHI WANGMAYA MANDAL - VIVIDH GUNDARSHAN SPARDHA 3rd Oct 2018 Wednesday			
I- HASTAKSHAR SPARDHA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
Poorva Gujar- XI Sc	Sidhanta Chaskar- XII Sc	Poorva Khandekar XII Arts	ANKITA LOKHANDE F.Y.B.A.
		Bhaves Bathé XI Sc	
II- SANWADLEKHAN SPARDHA			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
EAKATA KHAIRE T.Y.B.A.	RUHI KIRALE T.Y.B.A.	SHIVANI BERDE F.Y.B.A.	
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
AMEY DESAI XI Arts	BHAVESH BATHE XI Sc		
III- KAVYAWACHAN SPARDHA- 4th Oct 2018 THURSDAY			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
BHAKTI MANE T.Y.B.Sc	EAKATA KHAIRE T.Y.B.A.	ANKITA LOKHANDE F.Y.B.A.	NIKHIL HARNE T.Y.B.A.
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
YASH SAWANT- XI Arts	AKANSHA PURADKAR-XII Arts	KOMAL MAISTRI - XI Sc	
DEEPALI DALVI- XI Sc	NISHCHAY SURVE- XI Arts		
IV- NATYAWACHAN SPARDHA			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
EAKATA KHAIRE- T.Y.B.A.	KETAN PARTE- F.Y.B.A.	NIKHIL HARNE- T.Y.B.A.	
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
KOMAL MAISTRI- XI Sc	BHAVESH BATHE- XI Sc	YASH SAWANT- XI Arts	BHUSHAN DIXIT- XI Sc
V- BHAWAGEET GAYAN SPARDHA - 5th Oct 2018 FRIDAY			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
ROHINI BHUTEKAR- F.Y.B.A.	VAISHALI BANIYA-F.Y.B.A.		
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
AJINKYA RAUT- XII Arts	AMEY DESAI- XI Arts	PRANALI DAWARE- XI Arts	SHRAWANI PAWAR- XI Arts
VI- NIBANDH LEKHAN SPARDHA- 6th Oct 2018 SATURDAY			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
PRATHAMESH GAIKWAD F.Y.B.M.M	AMISHA KASARUNG- F.Y.B.A.	SHIVANI BERDE- F.Y.B.A.	PRIYANKA SHIGWAN- F.Y.B.A.

KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
POORVA KHANDEKAR- XII Arts	DHWANI GOHIL- XI Arts	KOMAL MESTRI- XI Sc	SHRAWANI PAWAR- XI Arts
VII- UTSPURT VAKTRUTWA SPARDHA - 8th Oct 2018 MONDAY			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
EKTA KHAIRE- T.Y.B.A.	RUHI KIRALE- T.Y.B.A.		
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
SHRISHA SUHAN- XI Arts	CHAITYANYA SAMANT- XI Arts	YASH SAWANT- XI Arts	
VIII- WADWIWAD SPARDHA- 9th Oct 2018 TUESDAY			
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA SHALESHI SALAGNA ASAWE KI MAHIVIDYALAYASHI			
VIJETA GAT			
DEEPALI DALVI	XI Sc	AMEY DESAI	XI Arts
BHUSHAN DIXIT	XI Sc	KETAN PARTE	F.Y.B.A.
AKANKSHA PURADKAR	XII Arts	NIKHIL HARNE	T.Y.B.A.
SHRISHA SUHAN	XI Arts		
VISHESH PARITOSHIK			
YASH SAWANT			XI Arts
IX- EAKPATRI ABHINAV SPARDHA- 10th Oct 2018 WEDNESDAY			
SAMRUDHI CHEMBURKAR			F.Y.B.M.M.

X- SHABDHLEKHAN SPARDHA - 10th Oct 2018 WEDNESDAY			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
YASH SAWANT- XI Arts(29)	BHAVESH BATHE- XISc(28)	KOMAL MESTRI-XI Sc(27)	PRATHAMESH GAIKWAD- F.Y.B.M.M.
XI- UTSPURT LEKHAN SPARDHA - 8th Oct 2018 MONDAY			
WARISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
PRATHAMESH GAIKWAD- F.Y.B.M.M	SHIVANI BERDE- F.Y.B.A.	NIKHIL HARNE- T.Y.B.A.	
EKTA KHAIRE- T.Y.B.A.			
KANISHTH MAHAVIDYALAYA			
1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize	Consolation Prize
BHAVESH BATHE- XI Sc	AKANKSHA PURADKAR- XII Arts	AMEY DESAI- XI ARTS	
		BHUSHAN DIXIT- XI Sc	

On 19th Oct 2018- MWM organized the screening of Inspirational and value based movie "DHANAK"

The movie inspired students towards the bond of unconditional love between brother and sister. Teachers and students gave fabulous response.

On 20th Dec 2018- "Marathi Wangamaya Mandal" and "Hindi Parishad" jointly organized prize distribution

program along with cultural program by the students under the title "MEL-MILAP". Chief Guest of the Function, were Dr. Ashish Uzgare, Vice Principal of Sr. College and Mrs. Smita Masih Vice Principal of Jr. College, gave away the prizes to the competition winners and gave valuable guidance to the students on this occasion.

Panel of Judges for the competitions:		
Mrs. Yojana Parab	Junior College	Chemistry Dept.
Mrs. Sashmita Dongre	Senior College	BMS Dept.
Mrs. Neelima Tipre	Junior College	Marathi Dept.
Photographer: Parth Rane – SYJC Arts, Rushikesh Jare SYJC Sc.		

Inter Collegiate Elocution Competitions- Miss. Komal Maistri FYJC Sc. participated in M.D. College Parel.

We are grateful to the respected Principal for her encouragement, valuable guidance and support throughout the year. Success of all the functions during the year was recognition of great enthusiasm, active participation & contribution of the students and MWM's volunteers.

Mrs. Neelima Tipre
Staff Adviser

Political Science Association

The Political Science Association of Wilson College was established in the year 1992. It experienced many ups and downs in the following years and couldn't be efficiently active as was its purpose. Then, the students of B.A. successfully revived this dormant association in the academic year 2017-2018 under the guidance of Prof. Sudhakar Solomonraj.

We began this year by enrolling 105 members followed by appointment of the key positions of the association which are President, Vice- President, Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer and Joint treasurer in a democratic manner via elections. All potential candidates who had stepped forward to take up these responsibilities gave their speeches and made a vote appeal followed by a voting process which involved the participation of all the members present.

The Phase 1 of the election was held on 16th July,2018 for the position of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer with Ms. Asilata Karandikar as the Returning Officer and Mr. Soham Joshi as the External Election Officer.

The members elected thus were: President - Anmol Jadhav, Vice President- Poornima Kadam, Secretary - Shruti Sinha, Treasurer - Teena Jain

The Phase 2 of the election was held on 7th August,2018 for the position of the Joint Secretary and Joint Treasurer with Ms. Asilata Karandikar as the Returning Officer and Ms. Jessica Corrine Simon as the External Election Officer.

The members elected were: Joint Secretary - Samruddhi Chemburkar, Joint Treasurer – Sagarika Dutta

The election itself was a success and we possibly remained the only elected functional body in our college.

Since the day of the induction, the elected committee has strived hard to uphold the aims and objectives of the Political Science Association i.e. to promote Socio-political awareness, provide platform for intellectual activities and spread sensitization about the prevailing socio-political issues.

The major purpose and motivation for our activities was to improve awareness among people and help them form informed opinions.

The first event of the association for the year 2018-2019 was marked with commemoration of the Peace Day on 6th August, 2018. On the occasion of Peace day, PSA members were offered a platform to perform poetry, songs and Urdu poetry pertaining to the theme "Peace and Harmony". Nine students from across departments participated in the event and expressed themselves, Aiman Siddiqui from SYBA and ShivamBhanushali from FYBMM recited their original compositions, the event was hosted by Rahul Nair from TYBA.

Independence week was observed by the association from 9th August to 14th August, 2018.

As a part of the Independence Week, elimination round for the final Teacher- Student debate which was scheduled for 13th August was organized on 9th August on the topic, "Mumbai University should have Student Elections."

Mr. Bandu Konde from the Botany department and Ms. Vinita Mathew from English Department were the judges for the debate.

8 students participated in the debate of which four (Ashwini Dubey, Ojaswini Badhwar, Shruti Sinha and Sreedev Krishna Kumar) qualified for the final teacher- student debate on the topic, "Accountability in education must allow a legitimate demand for fees refund."

Taking forward the spirit of Independence Week, on 11th August formal induction of the elected committee and oath taking ceremony was conducted in the presence of the former Principal In-charge, Mrs. Michelle Philip, Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj (Head of Political Science Department), Ms. Asilata Karandikar (Staff In-charge for the Political

Science Association) and Deepak Peace who is a prominent poet, singer and a song writer.

The oath taking ceremony was followed by an enthralling and satirical performance and candid conversation with Deepak Peace. The songs performed by him were relevant and took a jibe at the existing socio-political situation in the country and was well received by the audience.

The Teacher-student debate, possibly the first of its kind was organized on 13th August on the topic, "Accountability in education must allow a legitimate demand for fees refund."

Dr. Satyawati Chaubey from the Hindi Department, Ms. Sandra Kavarana from Botany Department and Chayanika Iyer from T.Y.B.A. were the judges for the debate.

Total number of participants were eight of which four (Ashwini Dubey, Ojaswini Badhwar, Shruti Sinha and Sreedev Krishna Kumar) were students and four (Dr. Biraj Mehta, Dr. Anand Burange, Dr. Thompson and Mr. Omkar Salunke) were teachers.

Composition of the teams:

For the Motion- Dr. Anand, Dr. Thompson, Ashwini Dubey and Ojaswini Badhwar.

Against the Motion- Dr. Biraj Mehta, Mr. Omkar Salunke, Shruti Sinha and Sreedev Krishna Kumar.

Results were as following:

The team against the motion won.

Best speaker student – Sreedev Krishna Kumar

Best speaker teacher- Dr. Biraj Mehta

On 14th August, a Panel Discussion was organized on the topic, "Exploring the idea of Nation through the writings of leaders of freedom struggle." Nine students participated and presented their papers as a part of the discussion. The Panel Discussion was Moderated by Prof. Ashwini Bapat from the Psychology Department.

Political Science Association, believes in organizing interactive sessions with eminent scholars throughout the year in order to broaden the understanding of the diversity in discourse.

On 25th August 2018, an interactive session with Dr. Abhinav Chandrachud, a renowned advocate and author of Supreme Whispers: Conversation with the Judges of Supreme Court of India 1980-89(2018) and Republic of Rhetoric (2017) was organized on the topic. "Importance of Freedom of Speech

and Dissent".

On 31st August 2018, Political Science Association released an online statement on its social media handle criticizing the arbitrary arrests of those who critique or question the State and made an appeal to all the citizens to come together in solidarity to defend the constitutional right to freedom of thought, belief and expression and to hold different or contrarian opinions.

On the occasion of 149th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, an interactive session was organized on 5th October 2018 with Ms. Usha Thakkar, secretary of the Mani Bhavan Gandhi Sangrahalaya, Mumbai on the topic, "Gandhi and Bombay."

The Political Science Association in collaboration with the Junior college Arts Circle organized the 3rd edition of Youth Parliament at Wilson College on 15th October 2018.

December 10 is observed as World Human Rights Day. Spreading awareness of our rights as citizens and students have always been apart of our agenda. Hence, continuing the tradition we observed Human Rights Week from 10th of December to 15th of December 2018.

On day 1 that is 10th December, Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj gave an introductory session on Human Rights.

On day 2 that is 11th December, Sambhaji Bhagat, a Dalit activist and revolutionary balladeer explained the significance of music as a means to uphold Human Dignity and how through music the suppressed or the marginalized communities have time and again expressed their discomfort and dissent in the public sphere.

On day 3 that is 12th December, Sreejata Paul, LGBT+ rights activist and part of India's first LGBT+ choir, Rainbow Voices, Mumbai, elaborated the legal and political challenges faced by the Queer community and their struggle for rights through the space of literature primarily.

On day 4 that is 13th December, noted academic and writer Anand Teltumbde spoke on the Rights of the Dalits and Weaker sections in the context of Neo-liberalism. The session threw light upon a wide range of social issues, major focus being on caste and emphasized on the need to redefine the social structure and hierarchies to be done away with the discrimination perpetuated on the grounds of caste in India.

On day 5 that is 14th December, an Open Mic session was organized on the broad theme "Human Rights", which was open to all. A total of ten students participated in the session which included a student from KC College and an alumni of Wilson college, presently studying at Government Law College, Mumbai.

On day 6, the final day of the Human Rights Week that is 15th December, Dr. Kannamma Raman, a political scientist, editor of 'Journal of Public Affairs and Change' and a retired Professor curated an interactive session on the challenge of Gender Rights in the context of Misogyny. Her presentation covered various forms and means through which misogyny is being paddled by the media houses, politicians, capitalists and in the sphere of academia across the globe.

In the same week, an Opinion Board was put up outside the AV room, in order to gather the opinions of students as to what they think about

- 1) Not giving asylum to refugees is a threat to Human Rights.
- 2) To what extent are institutions differently abled friendly?
- 3) Should sex work be legalized?
- 4) Imposing rules and not having consensus is an offence to Human dignity.

The opinion board was well received by the students and we had some interesting replies.

On 21st December 2018, PSA along with the Political Science Department held the first session of the Discussion Forum on the broad theme of Gender Sensitization in the context of ME-TOO movement. Nine students participated in the first session, which was moderated by Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj.

Discussion Forum works on the idea of a discussion group, which takes up various socio- political and cultural dynamics in the society and critically evaluates it through different perspectives. The thought of establishing such a forum in the college came up during the Human Rights Week during an interactive session with Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj.

As the participation in the first Discussion Forum was seen to be limited to the students from B.A. and B.M.M., on 15th January 2019, Mr. Sudhakar curated a session for the students from BSc. on the theme Environment with the intension to expand the purview of the Discussion Forum.

On 17th January 2019, "We have not come here to die" a film directed by Deepa Dhanraj was screened by PSA in Wilson College. Such screenings were organized by Pedestrians Pictures across the country in the remembrance of Rohith Vemula, who took his life three years ago on the same day. The screening was followed by a brief discussion, as to how the suicide galvanized student politics in India and the caste dynamics that plays out in academia.

On 28th January 2019, Political Science Association in association with India unites for Non- Violence and Harmony organized an interactive session with the social activist, human rights campaigner and Nobel Peace Prize nominee Ms. Shabnam Hashmi. The session highlighted how fascism and authoritarianism feeds on fear and the country is in dire need of peace and harmony.

On 29th January 2019, screening of the film "Please Mind the Gap" was hosted by the association which was followed by an interactive session with the director of the film Mitali Trivedi.

On 16th February 2019, an interactive session with Jean Dreze, development economist, known for his contribution to development economics and public policy, with special reference to India was organized on the topic, "Ups and Downs of Social Policy in India."

On 18th February 2019, PSA organized a field visit to Karnala which was attended by 51 Students. The schedule for the day was as follows:

- Visit to the Memorial of Vasudev Balwant Phadke, the first revolutionary in Maharashtra after 1857, at Shirdhongaon his native village.
- Visit to the Yusuf Meherally Centre.
- A small trek to two Adiwasi pada's i.e. Kairatwadi and Coral. (Coral has no direct road access)

Students got a first-hand exposure at the two Adiwasi hamlets, about the problems and difficulties faced by the residents. They got an opportunity to interact with the villagers which made them understand the neglect by the government agencies. The lack of basic facilities like water, health care, transportation and education were clearly visible. Thus, the students were sensitized towards the bitter ground realities which the visit intended to do. The field visit was curated by Mr. Sudhakar and a local guide.

On 18th March 2019, the association organized an interactive session on LGBTQ+ Rights and concerns of students with Ms. Pooja Krishnakumar, currently the Digital Editor of Gaysi Family, as well as the Cofounder of The Circle, a free mental health support group, also Cofounder of two LGBT projects; Almaari and The Queer Question. Ms. Pooja is also an alumnus of Wilson College.

The final prize distribution ceremony was held on 26th March 2019 in the presence of Ms. Sheela Acharya, the chief guest for the event.

We also take this opportunity to thank Ms. Sheela Acharya for initiating and sustaining Youth Parliament for the past three years and organizing visits to the Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad for nearly 20 years.

*Ms. Shruti Sinha
Secretary, Political Science Association.*

Nature Club

Wilson College Nature Club had a very active and interesting year. The Nature Club for the first-time organized tree planting for the procurement division of Ultra Tech at the Yusuf Meherally Centre for twenty-seven families. Over 150 samplings were planted. The initiative for this came from Mr. Sathiaraj Solomon, Joint President Procurement Ultra Tech. The Nature Club also organized tree planting for the Bombay Diocese on the request of Bishop Patole at their Karjat Centre, we planted 150 saplings & created a seedling bed. The third round of where tree planting was on the slopes of the Korlai fort in Raigad district, in association with the Korlai Green Panchayat. Assistance was provided by the Light house staff as well. Three hundred saplings along with seed balls provided by Mr. Deepak Netram alumnus 1995 were planted.

Dr. Sushant Mane organized the first Nature Trail to Tansa Wildlife Sanctuary, followed by a nature trail to Nagla block of the Sanjay Gandhi National Park. Ms. Anjali Mali accompanied the student on the trail and trek to Karnala fort. The group was lucky to see three pairs of Peregrine Falcons. The first and really tough overnight trek was to Matheran. The overnight walk, the trek around Matheran and walk down was exhausting.

The Nature Club organized a half day history cum Nature trail to Vasai Fort. Student Coordinators were Shruti Salvi and Manasvi Dighe TY students. All students were provided with a comprehensive handbook on flora and fauna.

History Wildlife Week's activities were organized by Dr. Sushant Mane and Ms. Anjali Mane. These included a talk on Dialogue with Elephants by Anand Shinde, Nature Photography by Mr. Dhotekar and an excellent slide show on Biodiversity in Antarctica by Dr. Madhubala Chincholkar. Ms. Michelle Phillip suggested we should initiate the 40th year celebration of Nature Club from September 2018 so that the final celebration will be in September 2019. The first meeting was on 6th October 2018, 40 alumni turned up, suggestion included Nature Trail for under privileged children, LED lights for college, Solar Power, Environmental Handbook, tree plantation etc.

The last Nature Trail was a 15km trek through the Sanjay Gandhi National Park to Kanheri caves and surrounding areas.

The second semester saw work on the annual calendar, a winter camp to Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary and Karandla Wildlife Sanctuary in Vidarbha. Nature Club went back to Nagzira after 25 years.

A major highlight was the first ever Nature Concert on 25th February 2019.

The Nature club plans a trip to summer camp to Mudumalai National Park in Tamil Nadu, Peranbikulam Wildlife sanctuary in Kerala and Kodaikanal Wildlife Sanctuary in Tamil Nadu.

Special thanks to Dr. Sushant Mane and Ms. Anjali Mali who organized activities. Special thanks to Sandesh Lad 1999 alumnus who organized all the trail and camps.

Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj
Nature Club Advisor

Nature Concert

The term Nature Concert elicits very interesting responses People ask are you going to play birdcalls and sounds from Nature. I guess we can do that as well. The Nature Club has been using Nature songs, that is English songs mostly with Nature themes. The first song I remember we used in 1982 was not really nature themed, "Blowing in the Wind" by Bob Dylan. I remember in 1997 on a Nature camp to the Sikkim region, the whole group sang "Blowing in the Wind" led by Indrajit Sundaram a huge Dylan fan. The first truly nature song was "And you say the Battle is Over" by John Denver which was first discovered by Easo Vivin Mathew.

Doing a Nature Concert has been one of the abiding dreams of the Nature Club. The idea was very enthusiastically received.

Sambhav Singh musician of SYBA, was the first one to join on board. Ms. Vinita Mathew of English department took on the responsibility of coordinating. Ravin Fernandes, alumnus 1999, created a huge list of possible songs with their lyrics and forwarded it multiple times. Siddhi Lad alumnus 1999 batch helped plan systematically. Sandesh Lad suggested that we can rope in Harshada alumnus who works with Banyan Tree. Harshada suggested, we choose an auditorium rather than doing it in the open air. She suggested Andrew's Auditorium and gave contact numbers. Sambhav and Krutik Mehta did all the coordination and booking of the auditorium. Two alumni who are professional performers, Keegan Pereira (2006) of Lakshmi Bomb and Reinhardt Dias of Blac, agreed to perform. Anish Menon from Pune was able to rope in and sponsor Deepak Peace the protest singer from Pune.

Ms. Vinita Mathew coordinated auditions over several weekends. It was decided to include the Acapella group, students from the North East Collective, singers from Andrews Vision Centre which provides support to visually impaired students and individual performers. Riya Kartha alumni and former staff and Sambhav had a difficult time getting all the groups to practice. There was apprehension whether we would be able to pull it off.

The date available was 25th February, a Monday many alumni were unhappy as it was a working day. Tickets were priced at Rs. 500, Rs. 1000 and Rs. 2000. Ticket sale was slow and some alumni suggested that we should cancel it if we were not able to raise money. We persisted with the program as the main idea was to give platform to our students. We were hoping to sell 500 tickets, we managed to sell about 400. Shruti Sinha of SYBA managed to get sponsorship worth sixty thousand. Krutik managed to get Furtados to give drum kit free for the performance.

Poornima Kadam of TYBA assisted by Shrushti Salvi of TYBA designed and procured merchandise which included bags, caps and Tee Shirts in very short time. Poornima had her team of six to help her.

Farhan Thakur the founder member of the Nature Club took charge of providing Live Streaming on Facebook. He provided the equipment and service free. Kadri another senior alumnus, 1977 batch, coordinated the final day practice and preparation.

Principal Dr. Nikalje, Vice-Principal, Dr. Ashish Uzgare, Treasurer Dr. Jamson Masih, Mr. Abhyankar Registrar, former Principal Dr. Sirwaiya, Mrs. Sirwaiya, Ms. Sandra,

Ms. Rashna Patel, Dr. Nalwalla along with many alumni graced the function.

The concert was a huge hit. Everybody who came really enjoyed the program which began with 'Colors of the wind' by Celine Rouse, a Place in the choir by North East collective, followed by the Acapella group which gave a resounding performance, Deepak Peace did four numbers. The second half began with lovely song by Neha Saxena and AVC group did three numbers and many solo numbers followed including two numbers by Reinhardt and Riya, Keegan did an original number. Vernon a TYBA student also did an original number. The grand finale was "Blowing in the Wind" by all performers.

It was truly a delightful evening full of colour full performances.

Hosts for the Concert- Mikhail Vora, Prabhav Chaturvedi, Prashansa Thorat, Tryphene Fonseca, Ryan Tellis

List of Performers and Songs.

Vernon D'souza - Take a look around.

Sambhav Pratap Singh - A Hard Rains A-Gonna Fall - Bob Dylan.

Priyanka Panchal - After the Gold Rush - Neil Young.

Celine Rouse - Colors of the wind.

Esther Pullanthara - Saltwater Wells in My Eyes - Julian Lennon.

Joshua Sinate - Radioactive - Imagine Dragons

Shubhangi Chakravarty - Mercy, Mercy Me - Marvin Gaye

Neha Saxena - Basant Bahar

AVC - Green Anthem (Shankar Mahadevan), Na KaatoMujhe.

Anand Singh

Ashwin Waghmare

Vishal Deshmane

North East Collective - Place in the choir

Ringmathan Zingkhai, Horchanri v shimrah, Catherine

Shiyang, Hollijoy Duidang, VisinuoVihienuo, Khanchuizimik

F.Lalrinhlui, Manio William, Helen Vungszianzovi,

Kahorpamyangya, Yuimashunawungshi, Peingamlahungyo,

Yaomipemawungshi, Thejavinuo Rio, Shirat LM

Acapella - Circle of Life, Earth Song, We Know the Way.

Joshua Sinate, Adarsh Amos, Priyanka Panchal, Celine Annie Rouse, Esther Pullanthara, Chrysanna Dsa, Alan Johnson, Rubaiya Karim, Danish Sheik, AngellaJathanna, Anoushka Mathew, Sneha Nath, Hannah Pereira

Band-

Adarsh Amos: Keyboards

Leyan Evan Griffiths: Drums

Jianrei: Base Guitar

Sambhav Pratap Singh: Lead Guitarist and Guitar Support for many.

Volunteers: Sreedev Kumar, Nayonika Bose, Sagarika Dutta, Khushi Chavda, Nashwin Sircar, Roopa Issac, Ojaswini Badhwar, Krutik Mehta, Anmol Jadhav, Shruti Sinha

*Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj,
Nature Club, Advisor*

North East Collective

The Rainbow group a collective group of the North East students was renamed as North East Collective. They had a Fresher Night in August.

Kupthong an alumnus of Wilson 1996 batch and currently Chief Manager with SBI spoke on Careers and Careers in Banking and Administration. The much-awaited annual dinner cooked by students was held on 23rd February. The SY students gave customized gifts to the seniors.

Ms. Vinita Mathew & Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj

Student Mutual Aid for 2018-2019

Section	Female Students	Male Students	Total no. of Students	Amount Dis-bursed
Aided Degree Arts & Science	28 + 02	22	52	1,70,000 13,600
Self- Financed Courses	14	07	21	71,400
Junior College Std. XI & XII Arts and Science	14	24	38	1,29,200
= Total	58	53	111	3, 84,200

*Ms. Vinita Mathew,
Incharge*

Shifting all college lights to LED.

Nature Club of Wilson College will complete forty years in September 2019. Forty Alumni of Wilson College Nature Club met on 6th October 2018 in the Conference Room, & many ideas were discussed. Amarjeet an alumnus of 2004 suggested that the alumani should contribute to the college. LED Project and exploring Solar Energy were taken up. Rajendra Apte, a Marine Chief Engineer took up the responsibility of finding vendors and examining options. He got three vendors. Rajendra was a part of the team surveyed the entire college and identified classes not just for replacement but also for additional tubes. Hazel Lighting gave the best quote. The estimated cost of 1300 tubes plus 60 bulbs and cost of fitting them in high ceiling classes came to approximately Rupees Ten Lakh.

Request for contribution was sent to former Nature Club members. Dr. Jameson the college Treasurer was able to find an account which could be used for all Nature Club Projects- The Wilson College Staff and Student Welfare Account. Mr. Samuel from the account's office helped with managing the accounts. Miss Priya from the accounts took responsibility for issuing cheques. Vinayak of Siddhivinayak electricals took on the responsibility, as tubes were installed, we realized that another fourteen hundred tubes are required. Though it is not a part of the mandate we are changing electrical boards in many rooms and a few other additions like Sun Block Films in Labs in the New Building.

*Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj
Nature Club, Advisor*

Cultural Activities

Independence Day Celebration

62nd Independence Day was celebrated by paying tribute to Indian Soliders on 15TH August 2018 in the college hall. Our National Flag was hoisted at 9.00 am by I/c Principal Ms.M.Philip and she addressed the gathering. This was cultural programme followed by a containing patriotic song, speeches and a musical mime was performed by students from Andrew Vision Centre, NSS unit, Drama Club & RAINBOW group of Wilson College.

Teacher's Day Celebration

Teachers Day was celebrated on 5th September 2018 in the college hall at 11.30am. The programme started with a

welcome song by students from Hindi department. Registrar of Mr. Prdeep Abhayankar gave tribute Marathi actor Vijay Chavan with his acting performance. Dr. Satyawati Chaubey recited the poem written by Late Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Fusion of classical and western dance was performed by the students followed by the play from the students of Drama club.

Ole 2019

The annual intercollegiate fest of Wilson College "Olé" was celebrated with splendour on the 24th and 25th of January with the theme being 'Gully se Dilli' signifying the essence of the success stories that start from the dreams and aspirations of tiny gullies and corners to reaching great successes.

Many PR activities were held with volunteers performing various flash mobs, enticing dances and street plays to attract people to experience the festive spirit, the aura and energy of the journey from Gully to Dilli.

The first PR activity started off with the 'Dhol Taasha' which was held as everyone in college celebrated Traditional day which was held on 5th January. The spirit was amplified by the second event which took place on 21st January with a Flash Mob by Team Olé held on Saree and Tie Day. Various street plays and flash mobs were also held in other colleges as well as Rani Baug and Byculla station, in collaboration with Mumbai Police, to promote the event.

There was a thinkers forum held on 23rd January to give valuable insight on various social issues by eminent speakers like Dr. K. J. Thomas who spoke on 'Personal Financial Management for Youth', Mr. Hemant Bansal who shared his views on 'Youth and literature' and Ms. Neha Sutarra of Samaritan Mumbai who shed light on the importance of 'Suicide Prevention'.

The inauguration of the fest was held on 24th Jan. at 9am with the three highly distinguished chief guests Mr. Ashish Chemburkar the BEST chairman, Mr. Ravindra Agarwal the DGM of bank of Baroda and Mr. Pravin Padwal Additional Commissioner of Police, Mumbai.

The events for the fest were divided and held on two consecutive days being 24th and 25th of January. Events were divided into various categories. There were Performing arts events which consisted of competitions like Solo singing, Fashion show, Mono Acting, Solo Dancing, Beat Boxing, Rap Battle, Street Dance, Street play and a Band event. Duet poster making and the Designing were the events in

the fine arts category. Literary arts category consisted of three events which were Debate, Fanfiction writing and Slam poetry. The highly anticipated informal events were the treasure hunt, photography and the war of DJ's. Last but not the least we had the highly cheered for Football, Foot Volley and Boxing events in the Sports category.

The event ended with a bang with the highly awaited closing ceremony. The Best PR trophy was awarded to Bhavans College, Girgaon; the Best CI was awarded to Lords College and Best college college trophy was also awarded to Bhavans College, Girgaon.

OLE 2k19 was a grand success because of the efforts of every single volunteer and all the others who played a crucial part in ensuring the smooth running of the event. The cherry on the cake would be the finding of dreams i.e. reaching their Dilli through the stage and every participant taking something along with them in their hearts!

*Dr. Thomson Fernandes,
Convener*

HOPE 2018

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir founded HOPE- Help our People Elevate in 2008 with a vision to contribute to a better society contributing to the employability ratio, political and social growth of the Nation. Every year, students learn the art of leadership, team work, negotiation, time management, issues management, logistics, communication skills, finance management, budgeting, strategic planning amongst other professional skills through the management of HOPE.

HOPE has bagged three national records - Limca Book of Records, India Book of Records and the recent one The Asia Book of Records through its social initiatives. This year, she with her BMS team undertook activities around national literacy through its initiative - Read India to Lead India Literacy Project. This was in line with the Saakshar Bharat initiative of the Government of India and The International Literacy Day celebrated globally on September 8th. The Innauguration was presided by Chief Guest- Honourable Education Minister Shri Vinod Tawde 2018. He was felicitated by Secretary, JWES, Mr. Prem Masih, and Chairman, Wilson College, Rt. Rev. Bishop Patole, Mrs. Rachana and Mrs. Michelle Philip. Dr. Zuleika presented all esteemed dignitaries on stage with a HOPE logo momento to commemorate the 11th year of HOPE.

Chief Guest Shri Vinod Tawde alongwith Dr. Zuleika Homavazir and dignitaries released the Free Press Journal supplement highlighting 10 years of HOPE. He highly appreciated Dr. Zuleika's work in focusing on developing the EQ of the younger generation thereby contributing to the betterment of the society in a big way. The Innauguration was attended by Principals of various Institutions. Mrs. Kedari, Principal, St. Columba High School and Mrs. Pimenta, Principal, Wilson High School were felicitated by Mr. Prem Masih for their stupendous support to the HOPE initiatives. The audience applauded when Dr. Biswaroop Roy Chowdhury, Chief of Asia Book of Records presented the Asia Book of Record for HOPE 2018 to Dr. Zuleik Homavazir for creating the largest human mosaic for awareness of education and literacy. The HOPE - Youth Icon Awards were presented to Mr. Reuel Benedict, Mr. Zahan Pawar and Mr. Bilal Siroha for their commitment and contribution to HOPE. Ms. Shipra Malhotra was felicitated for her achievements and contribution towards the art of Calligraphy education. This event featured in the Free Press Journal.

On 7th September, 2018, the BMS- HOPE team organised more than 3000 students from various colleges and schools and undertook a mass awareness campaign on Saakshar Bharat. The team formed a human mosaic denoting literacy ahead of the International Literacy Day (September 8th) at Girgaum Chowpatty. This initiative created a record in The Asia Book of Records. The event was flagged off by Mr. Aakash Raj Purohit and Mrs. Shaina NC. Dr. Zuleika appreciated the unparalleled and constant support of Mr. Aakash Purohit in facilitating the permissions from the High Power Committee.

On 5th and 8th Sept, digital book reading sessions were conducted and educational aids were donated to street children at Salvation Army and Angel Xpress Foundation. Digital literacy sessions were conducted at BMC Shastri Nagar School in association with CRY. This event was supported by Hindustan Times - named the initiative "Sea of Humanity", Maharashtra Times, Parsi Times, Free Press Journal and Mumbai Samachar.

Australian Deligation Visit

Wilson College and Mumbai University hosts Australian Delegation Headed by Hon. Suzanne (Sue) Mary, Minister for Education and Training, Western Australia and Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, at the Wilson College Hall on the 19th of January 2019.

Wilson College was delighted and privileged to host Her Excellency at its heritage campus for a high level roundtable discussion on Potential Education Partnership between two nations. The event was organised with The University of Mumbai, with stupendous support from Director of Education, Wilson College, Dr. T. Shiware.

Australian participants included:

Hon. Suzanne (Sue) Mary, MLC- Currently Minister for Education and Training, Western Australia and Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, Elizabeth Carey, Chief of Staff to the Minister for Education & Training, Shayaz Mubarakai- MP Australian Labor Party. Peter Baldwin, Commissioner, Education, South Asia, Jamal Qureshi, Director Education- South Asia.

Around 33 dignitaries from Mumbai University and Indian Institutions were present on this occasions:

Dr. Zuleika Homavazir welcomed the Australian delegation, Principals and Representatives from Institutions and others present in the gathering. The opening remarks were addressed by Principal, Dr. Anna Pratima Nikalje. Hon. Secretary, JWES Mr. Prem Masih presented Her Excellency, a copy of Wilson College Coffee-table Book "Vision and Beyond" as a souvenir. He also felicitated other dignitaries the Australian delegation and Mumbai University and welcomed all participants to the discussion.

Raison -d-etre by Prof. Vinayak Dalvie who highlighted the way forward for the interaction. Dr. Zuleika Homavazir, the Discussion Leader started off with a brief of each of the Australian participants. All Principals were invited to discuss and highlight the strengths of their respective institutions and propose the areas for potential collaboration and how both nations could benefit from each other. The discussion was centred on the themes of innovation, learning flexibility, possible modalities of collaboration, industry- academia connect, student mobility, entrepreneurship, education for all, with a special focus on rural areas, affordability of international education in the home country and research exchanges. Dr. Zuleika summarised the discussion and highlighted the Foreign Providers bill and bye laws of DTE and AICTE governing foreign collaboration in India. After the discussion, Hon. Suzanne (Sue) Mary, MLC, Minister for Education and Training, Western Australia and Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council, was invited to offer the closing remarks. Vice Principal, Dr. Ashish Uzgare proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Post the discussion, Her Excellency was very gracious to meet the BMS team who worked very hard to work out the logistics of the event. She answered their queries graciously.

This visit has strengthened the economic, academic and cultural ties with Australia and it is hoped that it will eventually help shape the young minds of the 21st century. We trust this interaction will lead to education collaborations and fruitful exchanges between the two nations.

*Dr. Zuleika Homavazir,
Coordinator, SFC*

Visit to Aasha Daan

The students of History department visited Aasha Daan (Home for Destitutes) accompanied by the faculty Ms. Aarati Manerikar, Ms. Rita Chettiar and Mr. Omkar Salunkhe. Aasha Daan, a Home in Mumbai for abandoned people and destitutes. It is located at Byculla. It is around 400 inmates including children in the age group of 2 yrs. to 8 yrs. Most children here are physically and mentally challenged. The Institute has three sections – for kids, women and men. Many of them are abandoned by their families and crave to go back home. This became apparent when they shared their thoughts with us. They asked questions like will their family come to take them home, we were dumbstruck and felt helpless. We struggled to gather some courage to say a few comforting words and prayed for them.

The care givers at Aasha Daan take very good care of the inmates and are mostly from far away states like Bihar, Orissa etc.

Students from the history dept. along with the chapel volunteers entertained the inmates by singing Christmas carols and songs, in every section. This suddenly transformed the place as the inmates not just enjoyed but joined in singing and some even danced with Santa Clause. The sight of a young boy dancing with a lady with such delight and love left our hearts filled with joy. These were magical moments. It was endearing to see my fellow students playfully and lovingly interact with the inmates.

We had also gathered some items of food, sweets, clothes, soaps, disinfectants etc.

The most touching moments were when a few children and girls asked us if we would come again to meet them...

It was a day well spent at Aasha Daan, where the inmates are gifted with hope.

*Ms. Anamika Ruparel
FYBA*

Garden Committee

Garden Committee - with the help of gardeners - has performed following minor/major works.

A General survey was conducted of work in the last year and work pending and to be done on priority basis.

Massive cleanliness of the foliage-litter after trimming of campus trees (as per directives of BMMC. Committee was not involved in trimming operation)

Thickening (by additional plantation) of *Graftophyllum* hedge, along the fence, opposite to main staff room.

Rearrangement/relocation of potted plants in the nursery (on the basis of light requirements and utility value)

Trimming of *Bougainvillia* climbers, growing on chapel side fence. (pruning requires quite frequently)

Re-potting of and/or soil-compost addition in over more than 50 potted plants.

Pest control (and simultaneously required pruning) of *Tabernaemontana* plants (either side of entrance, near notice boards) and *Ficus* plants (along the lawn, opposite to canteen).

Work done on regular basis – cleanliness of nursery, minor pruning, irrigation, fertigation etc.

Extended work:

Potted ornamental plants were provided (on request of the organisers) to enhance aesthetics of the following events/programmes/functions, organised by different departments/bodies in the college.

F.Y.B.Sc./B.A. Orientation Programme, Festivals of self-funded courses, Economics Department - Guest lecture of Mr. Girish Kuber, Editor-in-chief of Daily Loksatta. Programme of Hindi department, Induction programme organised to welcome the new Principal, Prof. (Dr.) A.P. Nikalge. Visit of Australian Delegates - in College Hall. Conference on Climate Change - IQAC initiative. 'Third Eye' programme – AVC initiative. Committee will extend its help in future programmes too of this academic year.

Challenges faced-

Due to acute shortage of water, faced this year it was a big challenge to irrigate and maintain existing plants. We could not launch new schemes of plantation. Trampling of lawns next to canteen and damages to the plants at basketball court and chapel corner were observed due to open access.

Back-up to cover setback-

This year the plant stock (saplings/cuttings) in the nursery, near Chapel was increased and maintained well to add green cover in the coming academic year.

Success-

We could save seriously infected *Ficus* plants (opposite canteen) and *Tabernaemontana* (Tagar) plants (on either side of notice board).

Thanks to all committee members and our gardeners, Mr. Janardan and Mr. Prakash for their contributions.

*Mr. B. M. Konde,
Convenor*

The Nature Calendar Project

The alumni of the Nature Club decided to bring out a Nature Calendar both to raise funds as well as create it as a tool of awareness and environmental action. The Nature Calendar is an interesting tour of twelve eco region, one significant species, highlighting all environmentally significant day, seasons related to the Earth, one special feature is developing twelve R's with four to five action sets covering 52 weeks; Reduce, Refuse, Recycle, Reuse, Repair, Restore, Rethink, Recreate, Retrieve, Reorient, React and Respect. The calendar comes with an QR code on each page which connects to the web page for more information.

The idea of a table calendar came from Siddhi Lad alumna of 1999 batch. She got DHFL to give us one lakh rupees which took care of part of the printing expenses. Design was done by JayadattaNikalje alumna of 2014 batch. The initial work on twelve R's was done by Akash Moimeen 2005 batch. Photographs were provided by AmeyaGokarn (1991), AbhishekLamba (2013), Anthony Karbari (2011), JayadattaNikalje, Sandesh lad (1999), Sandesh Sawant (2014), Soham Joshi (2018), SupraketMeshram (2011).

Anita Purohit and Shreya Shukla alumna of 2018 coordinated with the printer and also took charge of dispatching the

calendars to people across India. The calendar was priced at Rs. 350/-

The entire calendar was conceptualized, designed and produced by the alumni of the Nature Club.

Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj
Staff Advisor, Nature Club.

Certificate Course in Astronomy

The course started in 2012 and has been conducted successfully for six consecutive years..

The course started late this year on 11th August 2018 due to delayed FY admission programme by university.

This year 33 students from different colleges registered for the course: Wilson College (13), Sathaye College (4), R.J. College (5), Jai Hind College (2), Somaiya College (8) and Vivekanand College (1).

Due to various programs, festivals and scattered university examinations, the schedule was extended.

I would like to mention specially about three of our resource persons, who contributed immensely to this course.

The youngest of our resource persons Dr. Varun Bhalerao, is the first Indian to win gold medal at International Astronomy Olympiad. After completing degree in Electrical Engineering at IIT, B he pursued Ph.D. in Astrophysics from Caltech and later did post-doctoral work at IUCAA. (I am fortunate to witness those days when Dr. Vahia was instrumental in getting him back to Astronomy from more lucrative looking career options any IITian has!) He is currently teaching at IIT since last year.

Another young and dynamic resource person was Dr. Vinita Navalkar, who worked on X-ray telescope that was sent on dedicated Indian Astronomy satellite – Astrosat. I have been fortunate to teach her astronomy at Mumbai University and during her M.Sc. She is associated with our course from the beginning.

The third person I want to specially mention is Mr. Shishir Deshmukh of Akash Mitra Mandal, Kalyan. Though trained in commerce and pursuing career in finance, he is one of the best example of what amateur astronomers can do! He is the first Indian to discover sun-grazing comet from SOHO

observatory data. He is the only Indian to discover 8 such comets! He keeps taking up new challenges for himself and has worked in photometry, binary star orbits and published papers! As Prof. Vahia says, Astronomy is the only science in which Amateurs are equally respected as professionals! And Shishir shows why so!! He is also associated with our course from the beginning.

I am proud to state some of our alumni who completed this course are now pursuing research in Astronomy

Mr. Yash Lapasia – M.S. in Astronomy from University of Sussex

Ms. Karishma Kadlak – doing M.S. in Astronomy and Astrophysics from Australia

Mr. Pratik Wagle – Ph.D. in theoretical gravitational physics at Montanna State University, US

The lectures conducted this year are:

- Introduction to our universe - Mahesh Shetti
- Solar System - Mahesh Shetti
- Evolution of stars - Dr. Varun Bhalerao, Faculty at Astrophysics Department, IITB
- Space Probes - Dr. Vinita Navalkar, Faculty at CBS and who worked on X ray telescope sent in space with Astrosat (India's dedicated satellite for Astronomy)
- Effect of Microgravity - Dr. Santosh Bhaskaran, Vivekanand College
- Understanding universe through Eyes in Space - A. M. Shaker, Somaiya College
- Constellations and Calendars - AbhayPuranik, Akash Mitra Mandal (amateur association of astronomers in Kalyan)
- Optics and Observatories - Arvind Paranjpye, Director, Nehru Planetarium
- Astronomical Software - SachinPilankar, Amateur Astronomer and Web designer
- Problem Solving - Mahesh Shetti
- Amateur Astronomers' Activities - Shishir Deshmukh, from Akash Mitra Mandal, he discovered 8 sun-grazing

comets from SOHO data - the only Indian to do this! and published many papers in astronomy.

- Evolution of Universe - SumedhSawant, Ruparel College.
- Intelligent life in universe - Prof. Mayank Vahia, TIFR - Astrophysics Division.

26 students were given certificates by Dr. Mayank Vahia and Principal Prof. (Dr.) Anna Nikalje on the Valedictory at 2nd February 2019.

Vote of thanks:

- We thank Wilson College I.Q.A.C. for taking initiative and providing opportunity to share our joy of astronomy to younger generation. Special thanks to Dr. Nalwala madam and Dr. Anjali madam who always supported our activities.
- We thank our Management for allowing us to conduct this course.
- We thank our present Principal Prof Anna Nikalje madam for all-time encouragements. We also thank former in-charge principal Dr. Michelle Philip for continuing to support the programme.
- We thank all the resource persons who have always responded positively and answered queries during and after the lecture even beyond 8pm many times!
- We thank teachers from various colleges who have, year after year, encouraged their students to do this course.
- We thank Physics Department teaching and non teaching staff who supported whole-heartedly for all last minute requests.
- We thank Mr. Shetty and his staff of Canteen for providing us tea and snacks specially keeping canteen open on our lecture evenings even beyond 6pm.
- We thank Mr. Umesh for keeping AV room ready when required.
- Finally we are grateful to all our participants without whom it would not be successful!

*Mr. Mahesh Shetti
Course Coordinator*

Certificate Course - Indian Numismatics & Scripts

Since the last three years, the department of History conducts a course certificate titled Indian Numismatics and Scripts in collaboration with the Asiatic Society of Mumbai. The course has had a good response from the students.

This year twenty four students of TYBA and SYBA participated in the course.

The classroom sessions were held between 18th and 23rd August 2018. Mr. Raamesh Gowri conducted the sessions on Brahmi and Kharoshti Scripts, during which he familiarised the students with basic alphabet of both the scripts. The students practised writing their own names and enjoyed playing word games in Brahmi script.

Dr. Mahesh Kalra conducted the session on Indian Numismatics, in which students not only learnt the history of Indian Coinage but also observed coins -real and replicas of different eras from the personal collection of Dr. Kalra.

On 25th August, a visit was organised under the guidance of Mr. Raamesh Gowri to Kanheri caves, to learn more about Brahmi inscriptions.

A second visit was organised to the Asiatic Society where students took a tour of the premises -the Library, Durbar Hall etc and also got an opportunity to observe / view rare artefacts from the rich collection of the society.

*Ms. Aarati Manerikar
Head, Department of History*

Certificate Course In Local Diversity: Report

A **Certificate Course in Local Diversity** was organised by Wilson College in collaboration with the Centre for the Study of Society and Secularism (CSSS), from 10th December 2018 to 4th of January 2019. The course was structured to include a total of 8 lectures, 4 visits, and 2 movie screenings, with students' presentations at the end. Four coordinators from Wilson College were in charge of organising the course - Dr Biraj Mehta and Ms. Asilata Karandikar (faculty), along with two student coordinators - Ayush Srivastav (SYBA) and Chayanika Iyer (TYBA Sociology). 18 students enrolled for the course and certificates were awarded to participants.

LIST OF SESSIONS CONDUCTED

	DATE	TITLE	RESOURCE PERSON
DAY 1	10 th December 2018 - Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orientation and Introduction Conceptual Understanding of Diversity and Locating It in the Indian Society 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neha Dhade, Dr Biraj Mehta, Professor Asilata Karandikar Professor Nasreen Fazalbhoy
DAY 2	11 th December 2018 - Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> History of Diversity in Mumbai Diversity within Muslim Community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professor Arvind Ganachari Professor Nasreen Fazalbhoy
DAY 3	12 th December 2018 - Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documentary screening Dalit Communities in the City 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "India Untouched: Story of a People Apart" Professor Ramesh Kamble
DAY 4	13 th December 2018 - Thursday	Construction of Identity	Professor Ranu Jain
DAY 5	14 th December 2018 - Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gender Diversity in Mumbai Theatre in Mumbai 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professor Ivan John Professor Omkar Bhatkar
DAY 6	15 th December 2018 - Saturday	Bhendi Bazaar Visit	Zuber Azmi
DAY 7	16 th December 2018 - Sunday	Vasai Visit	Smita Lopes
DAY 8	18 th December 2018 - Monday	Mazgaon Visit	Rafique Baghdadi
DAY 9	19 th December 2018 - Tuesday	Grant Road Visit	Rafique Baghdadi

DAY 10	20 th December 2018 - Wednesday	Tribal Communities in Mumbai and Development Discourse	Professor Indra-Munshi
DAY 11	21 st December 2018 - Thursday	Movie Screening	"Seven Islands and a Metro"
DAY 12	3 rd January 2019 - Thursday	Students' Presentations	
DAY 13	4 th January 2019 - Friday	Students' Presentations	

DAY 1

The first day began with a brief orientation and introduction from the CSSS representatives, who they were, and how the course had been planned. The interactive session by Professor Fazzalbhoj that followed suit on the same day attempted to bring out the covert dynamics that play out in certain socio-political contexts and how the minute details and minor choices we make eventually reflect through our actions. Through a very simple activity where Professor Fazzalbhoj asked the students to draw saree they way they think of it, the homogenization of ideas and the process behind it (for which the media is largely responsible) was brought out, as the students found that they had all drawn the same type of saree – an item of clothing that is draped in multiple styles across the country. She further went on to explain how the diversity in nature is a way of nature suggesting the essentiality of diversity in the life of humans.

DAY 2

Professor Ganachari's session was loaded with information that most of the participants had never come across. An extremely articulate speaker, the professor made sure to include both – the operationalizing of theories like Lefebvre's Right to the City, as well as interesting stories of the city's history (like the origin of the name "Oshiwara" from the Japanese word "Yoshiwara" which means red light area). The way he highlighted the contributions of the locals to Mumbai seemed to really strike a chord with the students. Professor Fazzalbhoj conducted a second session on the same day, where she spoke of the diversity within the Muslim community of Mumbai. The session began with the students expressing their understanding of how the Muslim

community came to India. Multiple versions of the same were discussed. The idea was to break the stereotypes and the dominant narratives about the community which have been fabricated by some and have done harm to the diversity and plurality that exists within the community.

DAY 3

The third day began with a screening of K. Stalin's documentary "India Untouched". Although the documentary opened up a lot of avenues for discussion, in the light of the recent allegations of sexual misconduct against the director, the coordinators apologize for screening the film due to a lack of awareness about the issue.

Professor Kamble's session addressed the 'notion of locating oneself' and how Mumbai is a space that allows people to "reimagine themselves". The discussion highlighted how Mumbai as a city has resisted and how the claims over the city have evolved around the power structure. Citing the significance of AazadMaidan, which stands for the right to say no and ask questions, he elaborated on why the city was an important site for the radical Dalit movement under the leadership of Phule and Ambedkar.

DAY 4

Ranu Jain's session attempted to break down the nuances that lead to the construction of an identity, and how cultural identities very often overshadows other aspects of our identity. Reading out some extracts from the book 'Mothering a Muslim' by NaziaErum, she brought out the challenges posed by socialization and made us realize how flawed and unidirectional our understanding of a community can be, and how these images are created and upheld by larger structures.

DAY 5

Professor Ivan John's session focused on understanding gender beyond the binary and the spaces these communities occupy/ are allowed to occupy within the city. A lot of preconceived notions and biases were addressed, and interesting discussions sprung up during this session.

Professor Bhatkar's lecture on Theatre and Mumbai began with a history of theatre performances and performance spaces in the city, followed by a look at the current scenario within the field. He supplemented the session with a lot of clips and images of the early days of artists we are now very familiar with in mainstream cinema and television.

DAY 6

Zuber Azmi of Urdu Markaz led the students on a walk around Bhandi Bazaar, in a bid to break stereotypes about the area and have the participants appreciate the history and diversity that exists within the communities that reside there. The walk began from the Mughal Masjid, where the students got to explore a neighbouring “*hammam*” (bath house) that is still operating. The students then followed MrAzmi to Shalimar hotel and a number of other shops which used to be frequented by popular poets and writers, visited a popular bookseller on the pavement who spoke about his patrons, and finally ended up at MaktabaJamia – where they spent the rest of the evening discussing the works of NazirAkbarabadi, Jan Nisar Akhtar, FiraqGorakhpuri and many more. The walk ended with a visit to a nearby Irani restaurant.

DAY 7

The Vasai visit was curated bySmita Lopes, who took the students to several churches, where they spoke to the locals and the priests. The focus was on the diversity within the Christian communities in the area and how they co-existed. They were also lucky enough to witness a few weddings while they were there, and could observe the confluence of Christian and Maharashtrian cultures during the same. The last destination was the Vasai Fort, which illustrated the British and Portuguese influence on the city’s architecture.

DAY 8

The Mazgaon Walk began at a church near Dockyard Road. The students were then led to Matharpacadyvillage, where they observed a ParsiAgyari from outside, and then went on to visit the Christian communities in the vicinity. Mr Baghdadi asked them to observe the stark difference between the architecture of the modern cold buildings on one side of the road, and the older houses right beside them. The students then visited Aga Khan Hassan Ali Shah’s Maqbara, the resting place of the 46th Imam of the Nizarilsmailite sect of Shiite Muslims, and then went on to a nearby cemetery which was incidentally also the resting place of several well known personalities including MeenaKumari and Rattanbai Jinnah. The day ended with a visit to the famous Gupta Ice cream.

DAY 9

MrRafique Baghdadi led the students through Grant Road for a second session, where he focused on the various aspects that led to the formation of the communities in the area.

They started at B. Merwan, a popular Irani café, and went on to visit a local Protestant church, the area around which is famous for its gothic and Persian inspired architecture. Mr Baghdadi then took the students to a now deserted society of artisans, called “Mumbai SangeetVasahat”.

DAY 10

This session with IndraMunshi was held at the CSSS office in Santacruz. The professor began by deconstructing the idea of diversity as an undeniable aspect of life. She mainly focused on the tribal communities in the city and the development discourse that surrounds them, and addressed the issues they face.

DAY 11

The last session before the presentations was a screening of the film “Seven Islands and a Metro” by MadhushreeDatta, a hard-hitting, yet lyrical take on Mumbai’s story. The film is structured around a fictional debate between IsmatChughtai and Sadat Hasan Manto - two legendary writers who lived in this city, attempting to unravel the socio-cultural layers and its complexities. It offers a view point contrary to that of the celebrated metropolis that Mumbai is usually seen as, exploring the realities of migration, industrialization, poverty, and the lack of space.

DAY 12 and 13

The last two days of the course were scheduled for the students’ presentations. The participants were encouraged to explore any topic they were attracted to, as long as it was relevant to the course. A list of the topics they explored is given below:

- Ketan Parte – [History of Mumbai: Era of 1857](#)
- VanshikaSawhney – [Impact of British Rule on Bombay](#)
- Sambhav Singh – [History of Jazz Music in Bombay](#)
- Shruti Sinha and Nayonika Bose – [Culture Within Irani Cafes](#)
- Rahul Singh – [Mumbai and the Blind Community](#)
- AtharvaShinde – [Kolis of Mumbai](#)
- Achal Wade – [Sexual Harassment with the Blind Community](#)
- Aiman Siddiqui – [The Impact of the 26/11 Attacks](#)
- AudrisHoro – Local culture

- KhushiChavda - Chinese temples of Mumbai
- Hamza Shaikh – Understanding Diversity Within Muslim, Dalit, and Adivasi Communities
- RidaSayed – Diversity in Muslim Communities in Mumbai

*Ms. Chayanika Iyer and Mr. Ayush Srivastava
Student Co ordinators*

*Dr. Biraj Mehta and Ms. Asilata Karandikar
Faculty Co ordinators*

Certificate Course In Disability Studies

In keeping with the vision of our founder Sir John Wilson, Andrews Vision Centre continues to strive towards inclusive education. With the blessings of Almighty, college management, principal and DrSkariah the course successfully completed its second year of educating students and faculty about emerging area in academia and activism; namely disability studies. This is unique course (the only undergraduate programme in the city) that aims to introduce participants to an examination of disability as a social, cultural and a political phenomenon. It aims to address inclusive education in the most fundamental way.

Objectives of the Course:

- a) Disability Awareness and Sensitization
- b) Developing need based intervention programmes
- c) To strengthen the existing voluntary programme of AVC

Structure of the Course

The course was a 30+ hours programme, commenced on 9th February 2019 and concluded on 30th March 2019. Certificate was awarded to participants upon submission of assignments which is a mandatory requirement for completion of course. The course was structured to include a total of 13 lectures of two hours or three hours duration. Two lectures were conducted every week, one on weekday and one on a Saturday. It received an overwhelming response of 27 participants including a faculty member from Wilson college and St. Andrew's

college. A third year sociology student from Sophia College too participated in the course.

Faculty

The uniqueness of the course is that it includes participants and faculty both sighted and non-sighted thus truly striving towards developing a more inclusive pedagogy. Eminent resource persons Dr. Kalyani Talvekar (Nirmala Niketan) Prof. Sarmita Sinha (Sophia College for Women), Dr. Sanjay Jain ILS, Pune, Dr. Vaishali Kolhe TISS (Mumbai), Prof. Dr. Kanchana Mahadevan, University of Mumbai, Ms. Pallavi Shankar (NAB), Ms. SheetalDhillon (HOD, Department of Learning Disabilities, Nair Hospital), Prof. Sam Taraporewala (XRCVC), Dr. Biraj Mehta (Dept. of Philosophy) Mr. Joshua Tivade and Ms. Darshana (Dept. of Psychology) acquainted the participants with practical and theoretical articulation of disabilities in both Indian and global contexts. This year the students as a part of the course also participated in Antarchakshu -The eye within organized by XRCVC at St. Xavier's College.

Outcome

The course saw active participation of students (from the previous batch) as learners as well as co ordinators of the course, which explains not only the success of the programme but its direct relevance for students of social sciences and humanities. The course proved to be of immense value to students interested in pursuing social work, public policy, philosophy, psychology, social environmentalists, administrators, activists and students of social sciences. To quote Mr. AbhilashS.C.(batch 2017-2018), "The interviewers at TISS (Hyderabad campus) where I had applied for a mastersprogramme in public policy were primarily interested in my learning experience at AVC and disabilities studies course...this helped me secure admission there." Three students from the course will be interning with Rising Flames, an NGO working in the area of disability, gender, diversity to build a more inclusive world.

Mr. Anmol Jadhav – Student Co ordinator, TYBA

Ms. Shruti Sinha – Student Co ordinator, SYBA

Dr. Biraj Mehta Rathi – Faculty Co ordinator

Arts Circle Report

Arts Circle caters to the Arts Students of Junior College by organizing various meaningful co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. This year, a huge, enrollment to the Arts Circle was quite encouraging.

24 August 2018: - Our first activity was the day long "MUN" (Model United Nations) which had 115 delegates (participants) from students of both Junior College and Degree College of all streams. There were 2 committees –UNGA (United Nations General Assembly) and UNHRC (United Nations Human Rights Commission) having parallel sessions on "Effect of Climate Change on the world" and "Issue of refugees" respectively.

This programme was Inaugurated by our Incharge Principal Prof. Michelle Phillip and judged by the Executive Board consisting of four members.

7th September 2018: - There was an interactive session by Mr Akul Tripathi who is the COO of "Epic Channel". The topic "Synthesis of Media, History and Culture" was quite relevant to our Arts Students, hence we witnessed an active participation by our students.

6th October 2018: – Mr Raju Gupta of Google Inc. had an informative presentation on "Digital Creativity" which was well attended by more than 70 students who asked large number of questions which were well answered by Mr Gupta.

13th October 2018: - Arts Circle along with History Society of Junior College organized various competitions - Calligraphy, Slogan writing, Painting competition and Collage competition where in students displayed their artistic skills, creativity and fineness.

These events were judged by Mrs Ruby Malshe of English Department and Ms Sharon Daniel of Sociology Department.

15th October 2018: - The next big event organized by the Arts Circle along with Political Science Association was the most awaited "Youth Parliament". More than 130 students from all streams of Wilson College dressed up as Political Leaders, seriously took part in the Parliamentary deliberations such as – Question Hour, Calling Attention Motions, Passing of the Bill on "Prevention of Hate speech Bill", Swearing-in-Ceremony etc.

They were holding positions such as President, Prime Minister, Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Honourable Ministers of various ranks, Members of Ruling and Opposition parties, IPC, with such dignity and grace (with thorough research done). It gave us confidence to believe that the future of India is in right hands.

This programme was inaugurated by Prof. S. S. Raj, Head of Department of Political science. Our Judges were Prof. Sudhir Shetty of BMM Department and Prof. Asilata Karandikar of Political Science Department. Ms Chayonika was our student Judge.

30th October 2018: - 75 students along with two teachers visited RBI Monetary Museum. It is a state of art museum which gives us lot of information about the evolution of Currency, right from the days Emperors used gold coins to our era of plastic money.

28th February 2019: - A visit to the Budget Session of Vidhan Bhavan was organized by Arts Circle. There were 85 students and 5 teachers who got to witness the heated budgetary discussions in both Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad. It was an experience which they shall cherish forever.

I would like to acknowledge and appreciate the efforts of the Committee Members – Mrs Sunitha Chauhan, Mrs Pinki Gala and Mrs Shalini Rodrigues.

*Mrs. Sheela S. Acharya
Convenor, Arts Circle.*

Science Circle

Science circle is the component of junior college science section of our college catering specially to F.Y.J.C. students. The circle aims at developing student's interest in various subjects of science as well as opening the windows to various aspects of constantly changing scientific world by organizing various science and science related programs like talks, visits, demonstrations, movies, games etc for students.

This academic year, science circle opened its first activity by its inaugural function on 12th September 2018. The guest speaker Dr. Biraj Mehta Lathi delivered a very introspective lecture on the topic – 'Science and gender'

On 4th October students had the opportunity to listen to nutritionist Mrs. Pooja Udeshi. She talked about new

Local Culture

generation children eating pattern and well balanced food diet for healthy and sound life. On 6th October Asst. Professor of botany Prof. B. M. Konde took the students on nature trail of plants through his colorful and exciting slide show titled - ' Know plants betterchange your perception'

31st October was a day full of cheers and roar which made even mathematics scaring students to fall in love with the subject! Prof. MohmmadSadik and Prof. Loreta Mascarenhas conducted maths module called 'PiMathema'. The program was composed of competition amongst five groups, represented by five F.Y.J.C. division students by solving puzzles, Sudoku, go figure etc. Audience also participated in few games enthusiastically.

On 12th of December Prof. Dr. Thomson Fernandes arranged for some analytical chemistry instrumentation experiments in chemistry lab.

'Wonders of Physics' was the module conducted by Prof Mahesh Shetty from physics department. Students were thrilled by actually observing the colorful line and absorption spectra about which they have only read in text book. Some electrical and sound related experiments were also shown to the students.

On 17th and 18th January 2019 three scientific and informative short movies namely, October sky, Voyage to Planets and Man who knew infinity were screened for students in the college A.V. room by Prof. Urvashi Korde.

Our students Ms. Ashiqa Shervegar and Ms. Siddhi Khamkar represented Wilson college for inter collegiate science quiz held at Ramanand Arya D. A. V. College, Bhandup.

Ms. Suryanshi Kuyate secured 3rd prize in photography section of our college physics department's annual fest called 'Horizon'.

Science circle not only stages programs for students, but it involves them in the exclusion of programs thereby leading to overall development of students!!

Science circle committee (2018- 19)

Ms. Shrigandha G. Pradhan

Ms. Urvashi D. Korde

Ms. Arti N. Thakare

Ms. Loreta Mascarenhas

Mumbai has a curious and complex history: from an outlying, inconsequential collection of seven islands, Bom Bahia, Mayambu, Bamba, Bombay, Mumbai, has changed hands many times, ultimately emerging as a centre of higher learning, a commercial capital and above all a city with a unique inclusive culture and never-die attitude.

The Aim of the Course is:

- To understand the cultural transformation of the city by examining its physical and non-physical public spaces.
- To introduce the basic aspects of the inclusive culture and heritage of the city, thereby fostering a spirit of tolerance in the participants.
- To step away from mainstream cultural attributes of the city and expose students to more alternate and lesser known forms of culture
- To allow the participants an opportunity to have learning experiences outside the classroom

The Local Culture Course, in collaboration with the Asiatic Society of Mumbai started in 2012-13 and now into its sixth year is a total field based course focusing exclusively on the local culture of the Mumbai city and immediate suburbs with on-site lectures by experts.

The Course this year had several sessions moving beyond South Mumbai and Colonial history and we learnt about the cultural spaces of the suburban Mumbai.

The places explored this year were:

- The Course began with a visit to the Gurudwara at Khalsa College and an invitation to participate in the Langaar held on the occasion of Guruparab. Thanks to the Principal Dr.KiranMangaonkar, Dr.DevinderBhasin. Head, Dept. of Philosophy and Dr Ravi Cheema, Head, Dept of History for arranging this visit and honouring us with a seer apau.
- Evolution of Mumbai: Resource Person, KurushDalal
- Open Codes Exhibition at Max Mueller Bhavan: Resource Person, Alisha Sadikot
- Khotachiwadi: Resource Person, Andre Baptista
- Asiatic Society of Mumbai: Resource Persons, Staff of the Library
- TIFR Art Gallery: Curator BhavyaRamakrishnan

- Jogeshwari Caves : Resource Person, Dr.SurajPandit
- 2 Walks at Vile Parle : Resource Person, Sandeep Dahisarkar
- Wadala Salt Pans : Resource Person, VinayakParab
- Banganga : Resource Person, SnehaPuratattvaJidnyasu
- Walk with Words : Resource Person, Alisha Sadikot
- Dadar- Matunga: Resource Person, Alisha Sadikot
- St. Thomas's Cathedral : Resource Person Rajan Jayakar

Thanks are due to the Principal, Prof. Anna Nikalje, for giving unstinting support to the course, to the Asiatic Society of Mumbai for being our constant collaborators. Several of the resource persons are active members of the Society. Omkar Salunke helped in coordinating with the students. He has been a very active participant of the Local Culture Course over the years. Thanks are also due to the teachers who have participated in the course. The overwhelming success of the course through the years has been due to the students and other participants who have enrolled themselves every year and participated wholeheartedly in the walks in spite of their busy schedules. Thank you , one and all.

Dr.Shehernaz Nalwalla
Course Coordinator

Medical Aid Centre

The medical aid center of Wilson College has always endeavoured to give medical assistance and empower students and staff with knowledge to deal with medical situations. To this effect the center organised various activities throughout the year.

The medical center & NSS unit of Wilson college conducted a lecture by Mrs. Bharati Muntode, dietitian at GT Hospital on Balanced diet & nutrition on 13th August 2018. She explained the concept of balanced diet through a presentation. The session was very interactive, as students were given the chance to ask questions and clear their doubts regarding the topic. 42 students across streams attended the session.

The Medical Aid Department and NSS Unit, Wilson College in collaboration with J.J. Hospital (I.N.E) organized a mental health awareness programme on 11th October 2018. The speaker for this programme was Ms. Shweta Srinivasan who is a Counselor. She explained different aspects about mental health

issues and depression. She highlighted key points to understand the causes, warning signs and risk factors to prevent mental health issues. There was an excellent interaction between counselor and students and many doubts were cleared.

Members of J.J. Hospital (I.N.E) performed a role play about mental health issues and prevention. It was excellent way to help students understand their inner conscious state of mind.

50 students attended the session.

The centre conducted various courses:

Medical Aid Centre organized St. John Ambulance First aid certificate course from 6th October 2018 to 7th October 2018.

The Instructor from St. John Ambulance Dr. Nariman explained the theoretical aspects of the course through a powerpoint presentation. The response to the session was extremely positive with 32 student participants.

The centre also organised Paramedical training course from 15th Jan 2019 to 18th Jan. 2019. The Paramedical Course was conducted by our student Mr. Maheer Kapadia of Fy.Bsc and Medical Department Nurse in-charge Mrs. Carolina Barretto.

The Course Covered the following topics :

- First Aid:- Wound Management , Crowd Management & Advanced First Aid
- Basic Life Support:- Airway Management , Advanced CPR & AED Concepts
- Advance Life Support:-Advanced Airway management, Pharmacology & IV/IO access routes
- Pediatric Life Support:- Advanced Airway management, Infant Pharmacology & Infant CPR.

Theory was conducted through a powerpoint and in an interactive manner. The student interaction with the instructor was excellent, many doubts were cleared. All the procedures in regards to the topics were- demonstrated. The 13 student participants will be certified after passing an online exam with 80% or more.

The centre offered medical assistance on the occasion of college sports day and college festival days. Medical Aid Department Provided Basic First Aid Facilities Upon request by the Sanjeevani NGO. Medical Department Assembled

a Team of Paramedics and First Aiders of Wilson College Under supervision of Nurse In-charge And Assistant.

The Team of Medical Department and the Department were given Letter of recommendation for their efforts.

Mrs. Carolina Barretto

Medical Aid Department Wilson College.

Medical Aid Department Statistic From April 2018 to March 2019												
Months	Student	Teaching	Non-Teaching	Total	Ref to Hospital	BP	HGT	Temp	Nebulizer	sta02	Pulse	
April/2018	59	35	72	166	1	1	1	--	--	1	1	
May/2018	13	17	31	61	1	12	1	--	--	1	1	
June/2018	32	18	83	133	--	32	5	7	--	6	6	
July/2018	130	23	99	252	1	37	1	14	--	7	7	
August/2018	189	23	68	280	--	36	5	21	--	16	16	
September/2018	206	24	79	309	2	41	5	19	5	20	20	
October/2018	209	63	69	341	2	56	5	30	1	14	14	
November/2018	41	18	41	100	1	14	2	5	1	4	4	
December/2018	138	26	60	224	1	22	3	13	1	2	2	
January/2019	317	57	75	449	1	48	1	20	1	10	10	
February/2019	157	34	70	261	1	61	2	18	1	12	12	
March/2019	87	18	37	142	--	31	1	7	1	8	8	
TOTAL:	1578	356	784	2718	11	391	32	154	11	101	101	

Wilson College CSR Report

1. Flood relief to Kerala and Nagaland July and August 2018

The Wilson College Flood Relief effort was mostly managed by students of TYBA and SYBA. The Relief provided towards Kerala amounted to Rs. 2,50,000 in cash and items like rice, pulses, medicines, sanitary napkins and plates worth Rs.1,50,000 and two truckloads of clothes and other material were sent. Nagaland Relief started towards the end of the Kerala Relief and some fatigue had set in. Sending material to Nagaland was difficult because of the distance and only one large consignment worth Rs.1,50,000 of medicines, rice, salt and sugar was sent by flight.

The students were able to get up to 30% discount on all materials as they sourced materials from wholesale markets. Initially materials were sent through NGOs based in Mumbai like ' Do for Kerala ' Fouclaire Trust' ' Food Army ' and Goonj. Medicines, Disinfectant, Gum boots, gloves, diapers, sanitary napkins, etc were sent in two large consignments by air and train, a huge consignment of personal accessories, new clothes, towels, rusk, milk powder were sent by train to Kaval Relief camp at Haripad, Alapuzha, The largest consignment worth more than Rs.75,000 was sent to CSI Retreat Centre Ernakulam, to help rehabilitate 100 families with essentials including utensils, clothes, food and medical kits.

It was a huge exercise over a month, sorting materials, packing cartons, labelling and transporting them to airport, Kurla terminus and organising freight. Poornima Kadam of TYBA was the overall coordinator and treasurer. She liaised with the NGOs in Kerala and Nagaland and supervised each consignment. Chinmayee and Abbas of TYBA coordinated sourcing of food, medicines and bed sheets, Shruti Salvi of TYBA source both men and women's clothes and personal accessories, Shruti Sinha of SYBA was in charge of air freight

and rail freight alongwith Sagarika Datta of SYBA. Anmol Jadhav of TYBA managed logistics, Mohit Kothari raised a lot of money liaised with NGOs and helped with logistics. Manasvi Dighe of TYBA along with Jenifer Mogrelia and Sonal Chauhan managed sorting, packing and labelling with a big team of other volunteers. Vedant Deshabharatar and Soumyadeep of TYBA helped with logistics and sourcing hundreds of cartons.

Many staff members and alumni contributed generously, many departments raised money. TYBA students raised Rs.15,500, FYBMM contributed Rs.14,800, chemistry department collected Rs.11,000, Rs.10,000 plus was raised by SYBMM, the Northeast collective gave 2,300, English department Rs.2,600 and Fyjc students gave Rs.14,000. BMS department gave 50 kgs of rice, dal, sugar, salt and other materials. Wilson college staff gave Rs.96,700. Alumni and friends gave Rs.85,480, the biggest individual donors being Sathiaraj Rs.20,000, Kothari family Rs.14500 and Suganth Samuel Rs.10,000.

Special thanks to the large number of volunteers who worked so hard towards the flood relief effort.

For the past 12 years, Wilson college has been actively contributing to the education of tribal children by providing stationery and school bags to tribal children in three villages through the Nature club. This year more than Rs.20,000 worth of books and bags were provided. In December 2018 Rs.1,50,000 was given to the Yusuf Meherally Centre to buy desktops so that computer training courses could be provided for tribals and villages youth.

On behalf of the College departments like BMS through there programme HOPE and History through their annual outreach to Asha Daan offer CSR.

*Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj,
Head Dept. of Political Science.*

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Economics

Revision of Syllabus at the Third year necessitated the participation of both Suniti Pethe and Dr. Anjali Masarguppi in two workshops organised by the Board of Studies in Economics. One was conducted at the Rizvi College on 20th June 2018 and the second at the Kalina campus on the 7th February 2019. Suniti Pethe and Gaurav Ghadi participated in a seminar on "Issues in India's Macro Economic Policy and Regulation", held on 15th March 2019, at The Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai.

The department inaugurated its SEMINAR activity by Launching ARTHIKI- a platform where all students of the First, Second and Third years gathered and cooperated in conducting various ECONOMICS THEME BASED activities.

Sameeksha Mahajan of the T.Y.B.A was selected as chairman, Sahil Wasim appointed as Treasurer, and a CORE TEAM was created comprising of Ms. Sayoni Ray, Ms. Rhea Pinto, Mokshi Sanghvi, Jessica Simon and Hardik Sen.

Apart from activities conducted under the Arthiki umbrella the students of Financial Economics under the leadership of Chaitali Shah participated in an interactive series with Mr.Syamandak Mondal and Mr.Dhiren Shah.

Arthiki 2018-19

The year 2018 was a particularly special one for the Economics department as, on popular demand by students and teachers alike, "Arthiki- A Forum for Economics" was set up. The purpose of this organization was to have a platform for students to take positions of responsibility, gain exposure to economic (and other) ideas beyond the syllabus, incorporate ideas and serve as a medium to bring out capability- in terms of writing, public speaking, or otherwise, while teaching the important lessons of leadership, team work and time management.

Through 2018, we had several events including talks by experts on diverse topics, a field visit and a workshop. ShriGirishKuber, a renowned journalist and author, flagged off the Arthiki events for the year with his talk on "The Current Global Issue of Oil Prices, its Geo-political Ramification and impact on the Indian Economy". He inaugurated the logo (designed by students), and gave his best wishes for the functioning of Arthiki. MEDC (Maharashtra Economic

Development Council) had a brief presentation and gave students offers for internships.

Next, we had Mr. Niranjan Rajadhyaksha, an influential Economist conduct a talk on "The Rupee Drama" at the time when the rupee had reached its lowest value against the dollar (74.33/\$) helping students understand this beyond literature available in the media. The talk was followed by a lunch wherein students and teachers got an opportunity to interact with Mr. Rajadhyaksha on an individual basis.

Our next event was a Book Review workshop conducted by the experienced Prof. Vispi Balaporia of Jai Hind College. The skill of writing coupled with a passion for reading is imperative today and this event was aimed at inculcating and developing the same amongst students. Students were given individual feedback and were graded on a post-session assignment to review a recent book read by them by Prof. Balaporia.

To get a hands-on experience of the Agrarian distress and provide motivation for students to undertake research in this area, a field visit to the tribal village "Palsunda" of Mokhada district, Maharashtra was arranged for, where serious afforestation efforts are underway. Experts from the IIT Bombay who had made a case study on this village, joined the students who were taken around the village by local villagers. Post lunch at a village house, students were made to brain storm to try to find solutions at a micro level using individual farmers who interacted with them as case studies. The village women too gathered and had a discussion with the students, answering questions. Exposure to this, gave a brief insight into India's complex, intertwined and far-fetched problem while showing students how the last thing farmers required was to be looked at with pity.

Economics, as a subject has diverse, nascent branches, one of them being Experimental Economics. Dr. Shagata Mukherjee of the Meghnad Desai Academy of Economics held an interactive session on the same, which included a live experiment on determination of equilibrium price.

Lastly, we had the accomplished intellectual, Dr. Pushpa Trivedi, Head of The Humanities & Social Sciences Department, of IIT Bombay deliver a talk on "WTO & India, International Trade" amid growing tensions following the US-China Trade War. She also spoke about the HDI indices

built by her for district development reports worked on by her.

Arthiki hopes on continuing with the same spirit, organizing diverse events incorporating student ideas while continually growing as a body for and by students, under the profound guidance of the Professors in charge.

*Mrs. Suniti Pethe & Ms. Sameeksha Mahajan
Head, Dept. of Economics & Chairman Arhiki*

English

The activities of the Department of English continue to inspire students' love for literature and pose a challenge to them to understand life from a more informed perspective. The intake for the third year course in English Literature stands at 38 students. Shweta Anand stood first in the class for the TYBA University Examination, Shruti Vanjare and Jayalaxami Nair stood first in English at the SYBA and FYBA respectively. The Vimla Joshi Award for the year 2018-19 for the Most Deserving Female Student went to Rida Fatima of TYBA English. We were happy to welcome on board Vidhi Mehra and Disha Bhatt as full time and part time faculty of the department for the present academic year 2018-19.

We continue to deliver our lectures using innovative teaching methodology like music, maps, class presentations, film screenings as well as the flipped classroom of sending readings and lecture material via Whatsapp. The Master Class Series continues to form a major event for students to look forward to with resource persons from the film industry. Regular visits to SPICE Communication, Bandra and the Godrej Culture Lab, Vikroli see our continuing collaboration with them. Listed below are the activities and field visits which are enthusiastically attended by the students.

Dr Michelle Philip: Activities facilitated and Personal Achievements

Master Class Series: In collaboration with K. C. College, Wilson College Conducted the Master class Talk on *Conjuring from Words: Filmmaking and Directorial Interpretations*, delivered by well-known Malayalam Film Director, Anjali Menon.

Career Oriented Talks:

Alumnus Jeffrey D'Silva recently published his first novel entitled 'Love Me Tender'. He interacted with the TY students on 3rd Jan., sharing his experiences as a first time novelist

and urged them to make an attempt to write on a regular basis.

Sharon Alphonso, alumnus of our Department and an avid blogger, currently working with PopXo, consented to speak to the FY and TYBA Students on blogging on 23rd Feb..

Talk by Dr Pramod Nayar via Skype on the Road Ahead for Culture Studies (Mid-March 2019)

Guest Lecture by Prof Sybil Thomas on Careers in Education (End-March 2019)

Visits:

Facilitated visits to the Godrej Culture Lab, Vikroli, SPICE Communication, Bandra, 14th March, 2018

Film Screenings:

The Hours, Othello, Omkara, Singing in the Rain, Vertigo, Adaptation, The Watchman, 1984 among others

Students attended a Two-day workshop on Research Avenues and Methods in English organised by the Department of English of Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Ghatkopar on 28th and 29th Jan, accompanied by Vidhi Mehra.

Michelle Philip was awarded her PhD Degree by Panjab University for her thesis on *POPULAR HINDI CINEMA AND FEMALE SPECTATORSHIP: A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF SELECT FEMALE FILM REVIEWERS*. Her research was an attempt to theorise the role of the female spectator of popular Hindi Cinema from the point of view of four select film reviewers in order to elicit the way in which stereotypical representations of women are challenged. Films that mediate the dominant ideologies in a complex and non-linear manner appear to resonate strongly with female audiences. At the end of the study, the reviews appeared subjective and reviewers proved to be unreliable spectators who often surrendered to public opinion.

However, the educated class which they represent appears more likely to negotiate meaning, resolving differences through multiple readings of films and thereby holding the promise of dismantling patriarchal structures one step at a time.

Paper Presentation:

Freeze, Fight, Flight: Deconstructing the Role of the News Media in Perpetuating the Fear of the Barbarians, presented at the International Asian Conference on Media, Communication

& Film in Tokyo, 9th-11th Oct. The same is to be published in the next academic year.

Keynote Speaker:

With God the Supernatural is the Natural at the YMCA 143rd Annual General Body Meeting, 29th Sept.

30th Jan. Delivered Keynote Address *Dissolving Religious Differences to Make a Safe Society*, for Public Gathering, 26th All-Religion Prayer and Get-together organised by Daughters of St Paul, Bandra, BUILD and Bandra Hindu Association. The same is to be published in The Examiner. Also facilitated the play performance of the A.V.C. in collaboration with Dr Biraj Mehta

Keynote Speaker and Resource Person for Two-day *Film Festival and Appreciation Workshop* at D.B.J. College, Chiplun, 20th - 21st Feb. The topic was *The 'Language of Cinema'*.

Speaker for Panel Discussion:

Invited to be a speaker for Panel Discussion at B.K. Shroff College of Arts and Commerce, Kandivli, 10th Aug., 2018 for seminar *The Changing Contours of the Media Landscape*

Guest Lecture via Digital Media:

12th Jan., 2019 delivered Skype Talk on *Visual Intelligence Versus Visual Competence* for Xavier University students, Bhubaneswar

Member, Syllabus Committee:

Contributed as member of TYBA Syllabus Committee for syllabus revision on 23rd April, 2018 for two papers: Popular Culture and Film & Literature

Resource Person:

TYBA Syllabus Committee for Syllabus Revision Workshop for Popular Culture and Film & Literature at St. Andrew's College, Bandra, 26th June, 2018

One Day Workshop on Revised Syllabus Committee for Popular Culture and Film & Literature at C.K.Thakur College, Panvel, 30th June, 2018

Conferences/Workshops/Symposium Attended:

Workshop on Designing a Successful Research Project with Hands On Experience, 9th April, 2018

International Asian Conference on Media, Communication & Film, *Fearful Futures* in Tokyo, 9th to 11th Oct., 2018

Workshop on *Flipped Classroom*, organized by IQAC, Wilson College, 22nd Oct., 2018

Symposium on *Worsening Agrarian Crises and the Way Out* organised by School of Social Sciences and College of Social Work, Nirmala Niketan on 28th Feb., 2019

Invitation to Judge:

Valia College Debate Competition on 7th Feb., 2019

YMCA Sam T.Berkeley Elocution Competition for Elimination and Final Round on 25th Jan. and 2nd Feb., 2019

Fish-0-Fest, a sea food festival conducted by the Zoology Department of Wilson College

Organoleptic Evaluation of Preserved Food conducted by the Depart. of Botany on 28th Feb., 2019

Member, Board of Studies

Member of the Board of Studies for the M.A. in English for St. Xavier's College, Autonomous. She has also been invited to serve as a member of the Board of Studies for the Undergraduate Programme in English by C.K. Thakur College, Panvel which is seeking autonomous status from the following academic year.

Member, Core Committee for setting up a new University called the Orthodox University and is Co-ordinator for setting up courses in Languages and Media

Courses Completed: As part of the attempt for life-long learning has successfully completed the following Certificate Courses:

1. Orientalism 20 hours
2. Civil War 20 hours
3. JPM Write Argument 20 hours
4. The Rise of Capitalism 20 hours
5. Disabilities Studies Programme 40 hours

Community Outreach Activities:

Is currently serving as Honorary Treasurer for **Sharana** home for destitute women and children since Sept. 2018. She continues to be involved in community outreach activities as committee member of the Bandra YMCA Managing Committee and committee member of the YMCA Counselling Centre at CBD Belapur

Other Positions Held:

Dr Philip was I/C Principal of the Wilson College from 1st Dec. 2017 to 25th Sept., 2018. During her tenure as principal she was instrumental in initiating the Critical Thinking Series of Lectures for the TY Students. This was a week-long series of lectures and activities aimed at exposing the students to topics beyond their academic subjects. She also initiated the Inter-Class Box Football Matches for TY's. A member of the Research Committee, and continues to be a member of the IQAC of Wilson College and the Garden Committee.

Ms. Vinita Mathew

For SYBA Mass Communication Invited Guest Speakers :

1. Runcil Rebello (Alumnus 2010 Batch) - Social Media . 12th Sept., 2018
2. Shristi Singh (Alumnus 2014 Batch) – Advertising Across Media .24th Aug.,t 2018
3. Visit to Radio One studio at Lower Parel – Anita Pawaskar did a Session about Careers and Radio Programming. 29th Sept., 2018
4. Students attended the Media Festival 'Marginalia' at SCM Sophia College. 22-23 Jan., 2019
5. Students made class presentations on various Folk and Traditional Forms of Communication.

FY- Comm Skills /SY- American Literature /TY BA- The Restoration and Victorian Age

1. Class Presentations done by students of FY for Communication Skills, and for SY and TY for their English Papers.
2. Film Screening for SY- Death of a Salesman.

Resource Person:

1. TYBA Syllabus Framing Committee – Paper IX- C Literature and Gender. Mumbai University, Fort. 23rd April 2018.
2. TYBA Syllabus Workshop for Revised Syllabus. Paper IX -C Literature and Gender. St. Andrew's College, Bandra. 26th June 2018

Workshops Attended:

1. Workshop on 'Qualitative Publications – A Road Map'. IQAC Wilson College. 5th April 2018

2. Workshop on 'Designing a Successful research Project – With Hands ON Experience. IQAC and Research Committee Wilson College. 9th April 2018
3. TYBA Syllabus Workshop for Revised Syllabus (2018-onwards). St. Andrew's College, Bandra. 26th June 2018
4. Faculty Improvement Workshop 'Innovative Methods in Teaching' Bharat College of Arts and Commerce. Badlapur, 8th Aug. 2018
5. Workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' organized by the IQAC of Wilson College, 22nd Oct. 2018
6. Workshop for IQAC on 'Survey of Student Survey' at Vaze College, Mulund, 23rd Jan. 2019

Papers Published:

1. 'Framing of the Verbal and the Visual – The Adaptive History of Comics as a Sign of the Times' in *Ruminations: The Andrean Journal of Literature*. Peer Reviewed. ISSN 2249-9059. Dec 2018. 63- 78
2. Interview with Murzban Shroff in *The Parsi Contribution to Indian Literature*. Ed. Vevaina, Coomi. Sahitya Akademi. ISBN 978-93-87989-89-4. 2018. 28-38

Social Work done on behalf of the Department and personally:

1. Initiated women students and staff in collecting 100 dupattas for women inmates of Byculla Jail. These dupattas are used to make fancy bags and then sold to generate income for these women inmates.
2. Initiated a collection by the TY and Mass Communication students for the Flood Relief Effort which was handed over to the Nature Club.
3. Facilitated four needy and deserving girl students to avail of scholarships from a Trust.
4. Co- Coordinated with student performers for the Nature Concert held at St. Andrew's Auditorium. 25th Jan. 2019

Ms. Veronica Bhonsle

Was appointed by the JWES. Management as :

1. Dean of Women Students
2. Editor of the College magazine – *Wilsonian*

Also as member of:

1. Internal Complaints Committee
2. Discipline Committee
3. Anti-Ragging Committee
4. Maintenance Committee

Resource Person:

Resource Person for a workshop, conducted on 25th Jan., 2019 by The Centre for Training and Placement, Wilson College, on *Soft Skills and Business Communication*.

Participation in :

1. Workshop on, *Qualitative Publications – A Road Map*, organized by the IQAC and The Research Committee under the aegis of the Staff and Students Academy of Wilson college on 5th April, 2018.
2. Workshop on, *Designing a Successful Research Project-with Hands on Experience*, organized by the IQAC and The Research Committee under the aegis of the Staff and Students Academy of Wilson college on 9th April, 2018.
3. Workshop on, *Flip Classroom* organized by the IQAC, Wilson College on 22nd Oct., 2018.
4. *State Level Intensive Training Workshop on University Grants Commission (Prevention ,Prohibition and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women Employees and Students in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations,2015*, organised by R.A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics in collaboration with the Maharashtra State Commission for Women, on 2nd March, 2019.
5. *National Seminar on Gendered Academic Cultures and Sexual Harassment in the Academia:#Me To and Beyond*, organized by The Women’s Development Cell, University of Mumbai in association with Gender Issues Cell, K.C. College on 6th March, 2019.
6. An Orientation programme on ‘Prevention of Sexual Harassment at Workplace: The Law and Us’ by Prof Kranti Jejurkar, Ex-Head of Women’s Development Cell, University of Mumbai organized by ICC, Wilson College on 2nd November 2018.
7. Attended an interactive session with the Women’s wing of the Indian Army ‘EmeNaari Shakti Motorcycle Expedition’ group on 3rd Dec 2018.

Ms. Vidhi Mehra

14th Aug., 2018: Invited as a judge for the Independence Day celebration organised by The Chapel, Wilson College

20th Aug., 2018: Invited as a chief guest judge for the Fresher’s Night of Pandita Ramabai Hostel, Mumbai

22nd Oct., 2018: Attended a Flipped Classroom workshop organised by IQAC, Wilson College

11th Dec., 2018: Participated in Shakespeare Reader’s Theatre Workshop organised by Tambourine Theatre Company

20th Dec., 2018: Invited as an event judge for the Annual Cultural Festival: Blow Fest-2018 at R.D & S.H National College & S.W.A Science College, Bandra

28th-29th Jan., 2019: Participated in a state-level workshop on ‘Research Avenues and Methods in English’ conducted by the Dept. of English, Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Mumbai

31st Jan. 2nd Feb., 2019: Presented a paper titled ‘Regional Militancy and the Subaltern Condition in *Newton*’ at the International Conference Region/Nation/Trans-Nation: Literature Cinema Interface organised by the Depart. of Humanities and Social Sciences, BITS Pilani, K.K. Birla Goa Campus

*Dr. Michelle Philip
Head, Dept. of English*

History

The department conducted many activities this academic year starting with the certificate course.

Certificate Course

The department in collaboration with the Asiatic Society of Mumbai conducted a course titled Indian Numismatics and Scripts which was for the students of TYBA and SYBA between 18th and 25th August 2018 two visits- one to Kanheri caves to learn more about brahmi inscriptions and to read the same and the other to the Asiatic Society to view rare artifacts as well as coin collection .Twenty four students participated in the course this year.

Bridge Lectures

The department conducts bridge lectures for the TYBA students and to give them added insight into certain topics of their syllabus by the faculty from the other departments

with specialized expertise. The following lectures were held this year.

- 18th and 19th July 2018 Mr. Sudhakar Solomanraj from Political Science depar., Map Sessions on Maharashtra.
- 28th July 2018– Mr. Mahesh Shetti from Physics department on Carbon Dating.
- 16th Aug., 2018 – Mr. Bandu Konde of Botany depart., on Archaeology and Botany.
- Ms. Elizabeth Koshy on Bio-diversity of Sahyadri range.

Guest Lectures

Every year the department conducts guest lectures from retired faculty, alumni and other experts. This year following lectures were conducted.

- 9th Aug. 2018 - Mr. Rajan Jayakar, an alumni, a lawyer and In-Charge of INTACH, Mumbai Chapter, delivered a lecture on History and Heritage of Mumbai.
- 30th Aug. 2018 - Dr. Bimal Malhotra former Head of the Department, gave a lecture on Economic Nationalism in Western India to the students of TYBA (History).
- 19th September 2018 - Mr. Atul Bapat, Training Manager of Oberoi Hotels and Resorts gave a presentation on 'Careers in Hotel Management' for the students of TYBA and SYBA, Travel and Tourism.
- 27th Sept. 2018 - A lecture by Dr. Bunita Singh and Dr. Sanjeev Jain about the partition of India and its impact on people was organized in collaboration with the Political Science department.
- On 13th Jan. 2019, Mr. Ahmed Mistry, an alumni working in Jet Airways delivered a talk on Aviation Industry to students of Travel & Tourism.
- On 19th Jan. 2019 the students of TYBA attended a lecture Jai Hind College by Chandrashekhar Nene on Revisiting 'The Third Battle of Panipat'.

Field Visits, Heritage walks

The depart. conducted following visits and walks to give students an experience, while learning History.

- 8th Aug. 2018 – RBI Monetary Museum for the SYBA students.
- 29th Aug. 2018 – Exhibition by the department History, St. Xavier's College for TYBA and FYBA students.

- 1st Sept. 2018 – Ann Frank Travelling Museum for the students of TYBA, SYBA and FYBA.
- 12th Sept. 2018 – Air Traffic Control for the SYBA Travel and Tourism students.
- 29th Sept. 2018 – The Trident Hotel for SYBA, Travel and Tourism and TYBA students.
- 1st Oct. 2018 – Vasai Fort under the guidance of Mr. Sandeep Dahisarkar for the TYBA students.
- 8th Dec.- Heritage walk in Bandra precinct for TYBA students.
- 10th December – Exhibition on Archaeology Day at University of Mumbai Kalina Campus for TYBA students.
- 9th February-Heritage walk in Fort precinct for FYBA and TYBA students.

Outreach

- On 19th Dec., 2018, like every year about 70 students and the teachers of the department with chapel volunteers and Chaplain Arpana Rangaiyya visited Aasha Daan, a Home for Destitute. While students and chapel volunteers entertained the inmates, Chaplain prayed for them. The students also handed over to the Institute, items like adult diapers, tea, soap, liquid disinfectants, clothes, biscuits, sweets etc. It was a very moving experience for many students.

The teachers of the department also participated in some activities which is as follows.

- On 3rd July 2018, Ms. Aarati Manerikar and Ms. Rita Chettiar attended a workshop on revised syllabus for TYBA at Vaze Kelkar College.
- On 22nd Oct., Ms. Rita Chettiar and Mr. Omkar Salunke attended a workshop on Flipped classroom organised by IQAC, Wilson College.
- On 11th Jan., 2019, Ms. Rita Chettiar judged a Research Paper Competition at SMDSM College, Malad.
- On 4th Feb., 2019, Ms. Aarati Manerikar attended an International Seminar on Heritage of Mumbai-Road Ahead, organized by Garware Institute, Centre for Archaeology, Extra Mural dept. of University of Mumbai, Directorate of Archaeology and Museums, Govt. of Maharashtra in partnership with UNESCO, Delhi.

- On 16th Feb., 2019, Ms. Rita Chettiar delivered a talk on The Role of Non-Governmental Organization In Promoting Tourism at SMDSM College, Malad.
- On 22nd Feb. 2019, Mr. Omkar Salunke conducted a heritage walk at Fort, South Mumbai for the Indian Cultural Heritage Course, Jai Hind College, Churchgate.

The year ended with a fun-filled one day picnic for TYBA class at a resort in Malad.

*Ms. Aarati Manerikar
Head, Dept. of History*

Hindi

The Department of Hindi conducted various educational and literary activities and competitions to generate interest among students towards Hindi language and literature. The Department successfully achieved these goals by organizing the following activities and competitions:

- On 16th January, 2019 a National Conference-“Swami Vivekanand Evam YuvaPidhi” was organized on the occasion of “YuvaDiwas” for the F.Y.B.A. and S.Y.B.A. The honorable professors and students of Sophia College, M.D.College, SIES College, K.C. College and R.N Ruia College had actively participated in the conference. Present on this occasion were Prof. (Dr.) Ram Mohan Pathak, Pro. Vice Chancellor, Professor, Dean, Director of Mahamana Madan Mohan Malviya Hindi Patrakarita Sansthan, Varanasi, Prof. (Dr.) Shitla Prasad Dubey, Professor Ph.D Guide, Retd. HoD K.C. College, Karyadhyaksha, Maharashtra Rajya Hindi Sahitya Academy and Mr. Shachindra Tripathi, Former Editor Navbharat Times, Salahkar Sampadak, Jagruk Times. There was also an interactive session between the experts and our students.
- On 1st November, 2019 the Hindi ancillary students of F.Y.B.A. and S.Y.B.A. actively participated in an Intercollegiate Speech Competition on ‘Bhrashtachar Mitao- Naya Bharat Banao’ at the head office of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Churchgate, Mumbai.
- On 29th October the Hindi ancillary students of F.Y.B.A. and S.Y.B.A. attended a one day workshop on ‘Translation and Hindi’ which was organized by the Central Fisheries

Research Institute of Mumbai at Versova, Andheri.

- The Hindi ancillary students of F.Y.B.A. and S.Y.B.A. also visited the library, ‘Central Institute of Fisheries Education’ where they saw a large, rare and a beautiful collection of Hindi books including the Holy Koran, Holy Bible, four Vedas, Guru Grantha sahib etc. and also books related to different aspects of education and translation.
- Our students won many prizes in different literary competitions held at Inter collegiate levels organized by B. M. Ruia Girls College, R.N. Ruia College, K.J Somaiya College, SIES College, Jhunjhunwala College, Bhawan’s College, K. C. College.
- Our Student Ms. Neha Sexena got First prize in singing competition in many colleges in Mumbai.
- Our students of F.Y.B.A. and S.Y.B.A. had participated in a National Seminar at K.C. College and R.N. Ruia College.
- In the academic year 2018-19, the department of Hindi started ‘Sara Hindi Certificate Course’ to enhance Hindi language. The inaugural function was on 28th August, 2018.
- A guest lecture was organized on ‘Mahamana Jaishankar Prasad’ on 8th August, 2018 by Prof. (Dr.) Shitla Prasad Dubey, Professor, Ph.D Guide, Retd. HoD of K.C. College, Karyadhyaksha of Maharashtra Rajya Hindi Sahitya Academy.
- On 31st July, 2018 ‘Jashna-E- Premchand’, a Kathakathan Program was organized on the occasion of ‘Premchand Jayanti’ by the students.
- A translation workshop was conducted on 7th September, 2018 for which Mr. Ramvihar Yadav, an eminent personality of HPCL was the resource person.
- On the occasion of Hindi Diwas, 7th September, 2018, Debate, Kavyapath, Extempore was conducted.

Faculty Activities

Dr. Satyawati Chaubey

- Dr. Satyawati Chaubey actively participated in the ‘Refresher Course Programme’ conducted from 12th November to 5th December, 2018 and obtained Grade ‘A’

from HRDC, University of Lucknow.

- Her book 'Aadhunik Gadya: Vichar Vinyas Aur Sarokaar' was published this year.
- She was in the selection panel as the Subject Expert, for interview for the post of Assistant Teacher in Hindi in Akbar Peerbhoy College of Commerce & Economics, Grant Road on 16th & 20th July respectively.
- She presented a paper in a one-day National Seminar on 'Social Media Aur Pankha Pasaarati Hindi' on 17th January, 2019 in K.C. College, Churchgate.
- She presented a paper in a one-day National Seminar on 'Samkaleen Katha-Sahitya Aur Shrawan Kumar Goswami ka Katha-Sahitya' on 07th February, 2019 organized by R.N. Ruia College, Matunga, Mumbai.
- She participated in a one-day National Level Workshop on 'Revised PBAS Form and API calculation under CAS & on MOOCS' on 25th January, 2019 organized by Sophia College (Autonomous), Mumbai.
- She organised a one-day Rashtriya Sangoshthi on 'Swami Vivekanand Aur Yuva Peedhee' on 16th January, 2019 in Wilson College.
- She participated in a one-day workshop on 'Saraal Hindi Aur Pathan-Paathan' on 3rd November, 2018 organized by Hindustani Prachaar Sabha.
- She along with her students of S.Y.B.A. ancillary Hindi, attended a one-day workshop on 'Vishesh Hindi Karyashala' organized by the Central Fisheries Research Institute of Mumbai (Deemed University) at Versova, Andheri on 29th October, 2018.
- She attended the workshop on 'Flipped Classroom', organized by the IQAC, Wilson College on 22nd October, 2018.
- She participated in a National Kavi Sammelan on 'Mann Baasanti Hua' organized by Maharashtra Rajya Hindi Sahitya Academy & R.N. Jhunjhunwala College, Mumbai on 21st January, 2019.
- She participated in a one-day National Seminar on the topic 'Sooryabala Ka Rachana Sansaar' on 12th September, 2018 organized by K.J. Somaiya College, Mumbai.

- She organized various activities for the students with external resources like Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd, All India Radio, Hindustani Prachaar Sabha, Various Colleges of Mumbai like K.C. College, K.J. Somaiya College, S.I.E.S, B.M. Ruia College, Jhunjhunwala College etc.
- She judged an Intercollegiate Speech Competition at HPCL.
- She organised many guest lectures for the students.
- She conducted a subject related career - guidance talk and power point presentation for the students of S.Y.B.A. and F.Y.B.A. Ancillary.
- She broadcasted various articles through All India Radio, Mumbai.

Mrs. Sunita Chauhan

- Mrs. Sunita Chauhan attended a workshop regarding the new question paper pattern of class twelve at Khalsa college, Wadala.
- She went as a resource person of class twelve at KLE college, Panvel in a workshop of Kruti Patrika.
- She went to Pune for revised syllabus for class XI Maharashtra text book 'Balbharti'
- She went as a chief guest at Lodha International School, Thane on the occasion of Hindi Divas.
- She was invited as a judge at Lords college for a Nukkad Natak competition.
- She participated in a one-day workshop on 'Saraal Hindi Aur Pathan-Paathan' on 3rd November, 2018 organized by Hindustani Prachaar Sabha.
- One of her poem 'Adhikar' was published in the magazine 'Kavyesarita'.
- She judged an elocution competition organized by the Hindustani Prachaar Sabha on 1st December 2019.
- She was invited as a judge at B. M. Ruia college in self composed Intercollegiate poem competition.

*Dr. Satyawati Chaubey
Head, Dept. of Hindi*

Marathi

Student Activities

The Marathi Dept. organized The Dr. M. M. Altekar Memorial Essay Writing Competition on 24th September. The topics were as follows:

- 1) Ekal Palkatva
- 2) Aamhi Swapnavede
- 3) Ritu Hirava, Ritu Barva
- 4) Jagnyasathi Sangharsha Aamucha...

The prize winners were:

- 1st Prize Ms. Dhanashree Tohke SYBA
2nd Prize Ms. Diksha Padwal FYBA
3rd Prize Ms. Shiddhishree Waghe FYBA

Organized The Dr. M. M. Altekar Memorial debate competition on 8th February, on the topic 'Mahavidyalayin Tarunanchya Vadhatya Manasik Samasya, Paristhitijanaya ki Vaiyaktik Kamkuvatpana?' The team, which argued for 'Vaiyaktik Kamkuvatpana' won.

The following students won prizes at the debate:

- 1st Prize Ms. Shrutika Wadkar FYBA
2nd Prize Ms. Shiddhi Aatkar TYBA
3rd Prize Mr. Vishal Deshmane FYBA

Enrichment Lecture

Organized an 'Enrichment Lecture' on 'Naxalite Movement in India: Causes and Effects' based on the syllabus of SYBA Marathi Paper II ('Thank you, Mr. Glad' (Novel) by Mr. Anil Barve) Sem III on 12th Oct. The lecture was delivered by Prof. Muneerah Khambhawala, Sociology Dept.

Screening

Screened a Marathi film 'Katyar Kaljat Ghusli' based on a well-known Marathi play by the same name written by Mr. Purushottam Darvhekar on 10th Oct. Followed by a discussion on various aspects of drama in relation to 'Katyar Kaljaat Ghusli'.

*Ms. Rashmi Satpute
In-charge Dept. of Marathi*

Philosophy

1. On International Yoga Day on 21st June 2018, the department conducted a guest lecture by Ms. Shilpa Ghone from Kaivalyadham on "Yoga and Interpersonal Relationship"
2. The activities of the department for the year 2018-19 were inaugurated by Fr. Lancy Prabhu who enlightened the students on the Philosophy of J. Krishnamurti and spoke on 'What will you do with your life?' on 17th July 2018.
3. In collaboration with the Department of English we conducted a series of guest lectures on the occasion of 200th Birth anniversary of Karl Marx-
 - By Dr. Darius Kooper from St Diego University, California on 'Impact of Technology on Critical Thinking' on 31st July 2018
 - By Prof. Theckedath on 'Marx and Globalization' on 8th August 2018
 - By Dr Thomas Schmidt, Professor of Philosophy of Religion at the department of Catholic Theology and adjunct faculty member at the department of philosophy at the Goethe University at Frankfurt, Germany, spoke on 'Marx and Religion' on 26th September 2018. (This talk was in collaboration with Goethe Institute at Max Muller Bhavan, Mumbai)
4. A Two-Day National Seminar was organized by the department in collaboration with Centre for Study of Society and Secularism, Mumbai to commemorate 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The topic of the seminar was "Gandhi on Dignity" The seminar was inaugurated by Justice Gokhale and the session was chaired by Dr Suchitra Naik, I/C Principal of Joshi Bedekar Collge, Thane. Few prominent speakers of the seminar were, Advo. Irfaan Engeneer, The director, CSSS, Ms Rajani Bakshi, a Freelance writer and journalist, Prof. Harish Navale, Professor of Philosophy at Pune University, Dr Abhijeet Deshpande, Convenor of Film Society at K J Somaiya College, Mumbai, Dr Ram Puniyani, an Activist and writer. Valedictory function was presided by Mr. Tushar Gandhi and was chaired by Dr. Uma Shankar, Principal, SIES College of Arts and Science, Mumbai. Many teachers and students from various colleges from Mumbai as well as Department of Philosophy of Mumbai presented papers and participated in the seminar.

Dr. Harsha Badkar

S.No	Date	Talk/paper presentation/ participation	Seminar/ Workshop/ Conference etc.	Organisation	Topic
1	7 th & 8 th March 2019	Paper presentation	Asian Philosophy Conference	Nava NalandaMahavihara, Nalanda	Prosperity V/S Peace: The Eastern Perspective with Special Reference to Gandhi's Hind Swaraj
2	7 th & 8 th March 2019	Paper Presentation	National Seminar on Rethinking Religious Pluralism and the Relationship between Religions	Nava NalandaMahavihara, Nalanda	Philosophical Understanding of Religious Pluralism: Gandhian Perspective
3	13 th - 20 th August 2018	Paper Presentation	24 th World Congress of Philosophy	Peking University, Beijing China	Synthesising Tagore and Gandhi: The Two Divergent Views
4	24 th July 2018	Participation	Workshop on Revised TYBA Syllabus	Board of Studies for Logic and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai and Department of Philosophy, Guru Nanak Khalsa College	
5	4 th July 2018	Participation	Workshop on Materialist Philosophies: Comparative and Contemporary Perspectives- Multi-centennial Reflections on the Legacies of Karl Marx (1818-1883)	Department of Philosophy, RamniranjanJhunjunwala College of Arts, Science and Commerce	
6	30 th June 2018	Participation	Workshop to discuss the Revised PBAS Form and API Calculation based on the 3 rd and 4 th amendments of UGC	Tolani College of Commerce and Maharashtra Association of Minority Educational Institute	
7	8 th and 9 th of October,2018	Participation	National seminar on " Gandhi on Dignity", , on occasion of 150 th year of Gandhi Jayanti celebration.	Department of Philosophy, Wilson College	
8	22 nd October,2018.		workshop on Flipped Classroom	IQAC, Wilson College	

- Published an article on 'Mahatma Gandhi's Philosophy of Religion' in the Proceedings of the XXIII World Congress of Philosophy, Volume 61, 2018, Philosophy of Religion. Pages 25-29, DOI: 10.5840/wcp232018611374
- Was invited as a judge for the Intercollegiate PPT Competition on 'Plastic Ban for Environmental Protection' organized by the Departments of Philosophy, English, Political Science and Foundation Course on 8th September 2018 at M. D. College of Arts, Science and Commerce.
- Held a one day conference on Hinduism for Basics of Inter Religious Dialogue (BIRD) Course organized by the Bombay Archdiocesan Commission for Inter Religious Dialogue, at St. Pius College, Goregaon on 18th Nov 2018
- Appointed as the Chairperson, Paper Setter and Moderator for TYBA Philosophy Paper IV, V and VI (CBCS)
- Appointed as member of John Wilson Education Society's Wilson College Board of Management.

Ms. Rashna Patel

- Participated in the national seminar on " Gandhi on Dignity", organized by the Department of Philosophy , on the 8th and 9th of October, 2018, on the occasion of 150th year of Gandhi Jayanti celebration.
- Attended the workshop on " Flipped Classroom" organized by the IQAC, Wilson College, on Monday , 22nd October , 2018.
- Attended a seminar on "Case History and Mental Status Examination," at Lokmanya Tilak Municipal General Hospital , Mumbai.
- Attended a National Symposium on " Issues and Challenges of Today's Youth : A Psychological Outlook," organized by the Department of Applied Psychology and Counselling Center, University of Mumbai.
- Presented a paper on , "Subjective Well-being and Happiness in Youth," at the Veer Wajekar Arts, Science and Commerce College, Uran, Navi Mumbai, in an International Conference on Wholistic Health and Wellbeing on 22-23 August , 2018.
- Presented a paper on, " Self-Construals, Life Satisfaction and Happiness in Youth" at a UGC sponsored Two day

International Conference on, "Pursuit of Happiness: The Path of Philosophy and Counselling," held on 18th and 19th January , 2019, organized by Department of Philosophy, Department of Psychology and Counselling Cell, Joshi Bedekar College, Thane.

- Presented a research paper titled, "Mental Health and Perceived Stress in Iyengar Yoga Practitioners" at the RCI approved Two Day National Conference on Psychology for Health, Happiness and Humanity held on 22nd and 23rd February , 2019 at Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil College (Autonomous), Vashi.
- Published an article "Mental Health and Perceived Stress in Iyengar Yoga Practitioners' in Ajanta Vol. VIII, Issue I Part II January-March 2019 Journal No. 40776, ISSN No. 2277-5730, Impact Factor- 5.5

Dr. Biraj Mehta Rathi

Successfully completed a Refresher Course in Social Sciences (ID) conducted from 20th August to 8th September 2018 organized by UGC HRDC, University of Mumbai.

Papers Presented and Seminars/Workshops attended

1. Attended workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' organised by IQAC, Wilson College on 22nd October 2018.
2. Participated in NAAC sponsored National Conference on "Student Satisfaction Survey as a Quality Practice" organised by IQAC of V.G. Vaze College on 23rd January 2019.
3. Presented a paper at the two day national conference on "Reweaving Terra Mater: Women, Ecology and Livelihood" organised by Faculty of Arts, Mithibai College, sponsored by Western Regional Centre, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), in collaboration with University of Mumbai on 11th and 12th January 2019. Title of Paper – "Animal Subjectivity in Derrida's Critical Theory".
4. Presented a paper in the UGC sponsored two day international conference "Pursuit of Happiness: The Path of Philosophy and Counselling" held on 18th and 19th January 2019, organised by Department of Philosophy, Department of Psychology and Counselling Cell, Joshi Bedekar College, Thane on 18th and 19th January 2019. Title of paper, "Why Must We Imagine Sisyphus Happy? Camus on Happiness"

Publications

1. "Nussbaum's Capabilities Approach and Religious Pluralism: A Critique" in Indian Journal of Secularism. Vol 22, Nos. 3, Oct-Dec 2018. A journal of Centre for Study of Society and Secularism. Mumbai: India. 2018. ISSN no. 2277-5501. Pgs. 30-40.
2. "Plato's Labyrinth: Sophistries, Lies and Conspiracies in Socratic Dialogues" in Journal of Comparative Literature and Aesthetics. Vol. 41, Nos 1-2. 2018. A VishvanathaKaviraja Institute Publication, Cuttack: India. 2018. ISSN no 0252-8169. Pgs. 190-194.
3. Chapter "Nietzsche's Philosophy of Myths and Twice Written" in Twice Written: A Critical Edition by K. Sridhar. Curato: Mumbai. 2019. Pgs 292-307. ISBN no 978-93-88907-33-0
4. Newspaper Publications: "The soul is word formed from the body" in Weekend Reads section of Free Press Journal, Mumbai edition. Sunday, March 24, 2019. Pg.6.

Public Lectures

1. "Rethinking Tagore's Cosmopolitanism and Gender" organised by The K R Cama Oriental Institute on 25th September 2018.
2. Chaired a session on "Sociology of Space: A Study of Suburban Train Transport in Mumbai" by Dr Omkar Bhatkar on 12th November 2018.

Participation as Resource Person in Courses, Seminars and Panel Discussions (by Invitation)

1. Special Lecture Series on theme of dignity, organised by Department of Philosophy, SPPU, under the scheme of QIP on 9th January 2019. Title of lecture "Dignity and Disability Studies"
2. Certificate Course in Indian Cultural Heritage Level I (ICH) organised by Jai Hind College held on 21st February 2019. Title of lecture "Culture and Heritage- A Conceptual Study"
3. Workshop on Materialist Philosophies: Comparative and Contemporary Perspectives- Multi Centennial Reflections on the legacies of Karl Marx (1818-1883) and Debi Prasad Chattopadhyaya (1918-1993) organised by Department of Philosophy, Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala

College of Arts, Science and Commerce on 4th July 2018. Title of Paper – Film Analysis: Marxist Theory of Alienation and Modern Times.

4. Course on Ancient Greek Tragedies- Philosophical and Literary Explorations organised by St. Andrews Centre for Philosophy and Performing Arts on 6th August 2018, Title of lectures Odyssey by Homer and Bacchae by Euripides.
5. Course on Existentialism and Beyond- Blending Philosophy, Literature and Theatre organised by St. Andrews Centre for Philosophy and Performing Arts on 15th July 2018, Title of lecture – Philosophy and literature of Jean Paul Sartre and Albert Camus.
6. Guest Lecture on occasion of International World Yoga Day organised by NSS unit of Smt. P.N. Doshi Women's College of Arts, Kum. U.R. Shah Women's College of Commerce, Dr. (Smt.) Nanavati B.M. Womens College of Home Science (Ghatkopar) on 23rd June 2018. Title of lecture, "Yoga: Conceptions and Misconceptions"
7. Guest lecture organised by Department of English, Sophia College for Women on 7th August 2018. Title of lecture "Existentialism: A Philosophical Perspective"
8. Guest speaker at the inaugural programme of Wilson College Science Circle on organised by Science Circle (Jr College) in Wilson College. Title of lecture "Science and Gender".
9. Review Seminar organised by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Mumbai on 3rd July 2018. Title of paper "Review of Plato's Labyrinth: Sophistries, Lies and Conspiracies in Socratic Dialogues" by Aakash Singh Rathore.
10. Book Review seminar on Aakash Singh Rathore's "Philosophy of Autobiography" organised by Department of Civics and Politics, University of Mumbai on 29th February 2019. Title of paper: "A Philosophy of Autobiography, Body and Text: A Book Review"
11. Panel Discussion on Aakash Singh Rathore's "Philosophy of Autobiography" organised by St Andrews Centre for Philosophy and Performing Arts, St. Andrews College, Mumbai on 4th March 2019. Title of paper: "Philosophy of Autobiography: Disabilities Perspective"

Psychology

The activities of the department were inaugurated by Dr Avinash Desouza, a well-known psychiatrist of the city of Mumbai who spoke on 'How to prevent Suicide' on the occasion of Suicide Prevention Day on 4th Sept. 2018

The faculty Ms. Darshana Kulkarni and Mr. Joshua Tivade attended/participated in the following activities

Date	Activity	Faculty name
1/8/2018	Attended TYBA Psychology syllabus revision workshop at Bhavan's college, Andheri	Mr. Joshua Tivade Ms. Darshana Kulkarni
22/8/2018	Paper presentation at International Conference on Wholistic Health and Wellbeing" at VeerWajekar college, Uran	Ms. Darshana Kulkarni
23/2/2019	Paper presentation at "National Conference for Health, Happiness and Humanity" at KBP college, Vashi	Ms. Darshana Kulkarni
18/3/2019	Guest lecturer for "Disabilities studies", at Wilson college	Mr. Joshua Tivade
23/3/2019	Guest lecturer for "Disabilities studies", at Wilson college	Ms. Darshana Kulkarni
17/7/2018	Facilitator for "Attitudes of a Counsellor" for a counselling training held at YMCA Belapur	Mr. Joshua Tivade
9/9/2018	Facilitator for "Career Guidance Seminar" for a counselling training held at YMCA Belapur	Mr. Joshua Tivade
10-13 th Feb 2019	Facilitator for "Psychological Theories" for a counselling training held at YMCA Belapur	Mr. Joshua Tivade

Dr Harsha Badkar
Head, Department of Philosophy And Psychology

Political Science

The Political Science depart. had an excellent year of student activities and special programs. The only dept. to have popularly elected committee which organizes a wide range of activities and the students submit a separate report as these activities.

Asilata Karandikar continues as Assistant Professor.

Sudhakar Solomonraj was part of a five-day orientation program organized by Dr. Michelle Philip as In-charge Principal. He conducted workshops on 18th, 19th and 20th July, based on world map, where in select maps of India and Maharashtra were the focus of discussion for final year students of all streams. Separate map session was conducted for Economics students of SY and for History students. 4th Aug. saw the representatives of the Energy Institute Chicago and Maharashtra Government working on the Star Rating Program talk to the students.

The department continued its tradition of organizing session on Peace for Arts, Science and Mass Media students on 6th August, the sessions continued from 8:00 am to 2:00pm.

Elections to the Political Science Association were held in two phases to include all classes. Anmol Jadhav (TYBA), Poornima Kadam (TYBA), Shruti Sinha (SYBA), Teena Jain (TYBA), Sagarika Dutta (SYBA) and Samruddhi Chemburkar (FYBMM) were the elected members.

Rupa Chinai journalist, author of North East Diaries and Wekoweu(Akole) Tshah, a Naga activist spoke to the students about challenges in the North East.

Anika Sharma an alumna of Political Science (1993) spoke on 'Social Sciences and Management' on 15th October.

Mr. Acharya along with Ms. Rodrigues from junior college organized the annual Youth Parliament program. It was an excellent program and had participants from senior and junior college.

Over the first two weekends of December, the Political Science Department in association with the Forum for Research on Civic Affairs (FRCA) organized a certificate course in Research Methodology, which was attended by twenty-five students.

On 3rd Dec. Sheikh Mohammed currently enrolled for a PhD. in JNU, spoke on the 'Rights of People with Disability'. It was followed by a series of activities, performances and

interactive sessions as part of the Human Rights week observed by the association annually.

A Certificate Course in Local Diversity was organised by Dr. Biraj Mehta and Prof. Asilata Karandikar in collaboration with the Centre for the Study of Society and Secularism (CSSS), from 10th Dec. 2018 to the 4th of Jan. 2019.

On 1st Feb. Dr. Priyanka Vyas alumna of Political Science (2006) and Post-Doctoral fellow and Assistant Professor at School of Medicine, University of California did a session on Further studies in Political Science and the Necessary Skills that undergraduates should have to be effective.

26th Feb., Olaf Zylics Professor of organizational Behavior from Warsaw spoke on leadership across cultures.

One of the most important activities are the field visits for paper IX on Local Self Government. The field visits have been a regular part of the department since 2013. There was a one-day field visit to see rural local self-governing bodies in Sept. 2018. We visited the Panchayat Samiti in Alibaug, met officials working on Swachh Bharat Mission, then had a session at the Nagaon Green Panchayat, followed by an interactive session with Aditi Tatkare President of the Raigad Zilla Parishad.

Ms. Acharya continued her much awaited visit to the Vidhan Bhavan for senior college and junior college students in Feb. 2019. She has been organizing visits to Vidhan Bhavan for nearly twenty years. Ms. Asilata Karandikar and Ms. Rodrigues accompanied her.

The students were taken on the annual five-day departmental field visit to Ahmednagar and Nashik to understand Urban Local Self-governing bodies, their challenges, the Cooperative sector, Agricultural and Environmental initiatives.

In Ahmednagar we met the CEO of the Cantonment board Mr. Srivastava, Mr. Pathare Deputy Municipal Commissioner who explained the various challenges and initiatives of the Ahmednagar Municipal Corporation and visited their modern Solid Waste Management Plant where all biodegradable waste is converted into compost in two different processes. We visited the Battle Tank Museum the only one of its kind in Asia and saw more than 50 different tanks the oldest going back to 1914. The museum also had halls which focused on different tanks, battles and officials who have excelled. On 6th March they visit to the Pravara Sugar Cooperative Society, the first Sugar Cooperative in India which was followed by an extensively guided tour of the

manufacturing process. Students had an interactive session with Mr. Gaurav Kulkarni and Mr. Sabnis at the headquarters of the Pravara Cooperative Bank at Paravanagar, followed by a visit at Rambagh Milk Cooperative Federation. A visit to the Krishi Vigyankendra and community Radio provided a good finale to the visit.

The Nashik visit started with a climb up 250 steps to the Ancient Buddhist Cave Complex, visit to the CIDCO office and to the Phalke Memorial Museum a visited, the field site of the Nature Conservation Society of Nashik which has helped create the first ever conservation reserve in Maharashtra near Borgad with the villagers of Tungaldara.

The visits to the specific dept. at Nashik Municipal Corporation was coordinated by Mr. Mahesh Bacchav, Deputy Municipal Commissioner. First visit was to the Tax dept. where Deputy Municipal Commissioner and his team explained the revenue collection process, sources of income and issues pertaining to slum rehabilitation and housing for the poor.

Dr. Dhanve of solid waste management dept deputed Mr. Borse biotechnologists to take us to their Solid Waste Management site. Solid Waste Management in Nashik is being managed under a Public-Private partnership scheme with an Anglo-French company creating a model site, where reusable plastic waste is collected by ragpickers, non-retrievable plastic is converted into furnace oil or created as ballast for industry. Leachate from the waste is detoxified and a biogas plant uses the gas for energy. The biodegradable waste is broken down using a microbial culture and converted into compost. A large plant of it is taken by fertilizer companies like RCF, Zuari Agro and Coramandal fertilizer. The guided visit was a great learning experience. We had similar visits to the sewage treatment plant and water purification plant. A visit to the smart city project, senior executives from KPMG did presentations on different aspects of the Smart city project. The last visit was to the Artillery museum at Deolali.

The Political Science and Sociology Dept. jointly organized sessions and workshops on the following topics:

- 1) Domestic Violence legislation by Advocate Nausheen Yousuf and Gender galaxy by Humsafar Trust in association with Bhavan's college.
- 2) The Kranti Jyoti Savitribai Phule's Women Studies Centre did a certified workshop on 'Declining Child Sex Ratio'.

The Political Science Association was extremely active, started its own YouTube Channel and organized talks by eminent scholars and activists. They were even able to organize a separate field visit for their members.

Asilata Karandikar added a lot of value to the academic and cocurricular life of the department. She is an asset to the department.

Ms. Acharya who teaches Political Science at the junior college level retires in April 2019. She has helped lay the foundation for a strong department with the admirable work she has done at the junior college with her meticulous teachings, providing empathetic support to students and inspiring them to organize remarkable activities. The department will miss her quiet and unassuming presence which helped add so much value.

*Mr. Sudhakar Solomonraj
Head, Political Science Department*

Sociology

The Department bid farewell to Dr Sachi Dewan, Head of the Department on 31st January 2019. Dr. Dewan joined this institution in 1986 and retired after 33 years of service of which she was Head of the Department since 2003.

A goodbye gives hope to a new welcome. The department thus welcomed two new faculty members. Ms Sharon Daniel and Ms Treasa Francis who were appointed as faculty for Junior College and for Degree College respectively.

Since the T.Y.B.A syllabus was revised, Dr Sachi Dewan and Ms Muneerah Khambhawala participated in a one-day Orientation Workshop for the 'Revised T.Y.B.A Syllabi' organized by the Department of Sociology K.C College in collaboration with Board of Studies, Mumbai University on 5th July 2018 and the workshop for the 'Revised T.Y.B.A Syllabi (Paper VI: Sociology of Gender)' organized by the Department of Sociology St Andrew's College in collaboration with Board of Studies, Mumbai University at St Andrew's College on 30th July 2018.

Ms Muneerah Khambhawala also attended the following:

- A session by Jean Dreze on the topic 'The Ups and Downs of Social Policy' organized by Political Science Association, Wilson College on 16th February 2019.
- A talk by Dr P Shekhar on 'Academia and Industry Networking and Interaction' and a talk on 'New

Guidelines on Career Advancement Scheme' by Dr Sanjay Jagtap on 27th November 2018, Wilson College.

- A session on 'Plagiarism in Research' by Dr Sandhya Srinivisan, Consulting Editor of the Indian Journal of Medical Ethics and Public Health for Infochange News and Features on 3rd Nov 2018 at Wilson College.
- An Orientation programme on 'Prevention of Sexual Harassment at Workplace: The Law and Us' by Prof Kranti Jejurkar, Ex-Head of Women's Development Cell, University of Mumbai organized by ICC, Wilson College on 2nd November 2018.
- A workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' conducted by Dr Madhuri Mavinkurve, IIT Bombay organized by IQAC, Wilson College on 22nd October 2018.
- Inauguration session of the National Seminar organized by the Department of Philosophy, Wilson College on 8th October 2018.
- A one-day workshop on 'Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) for the Teachers UGC 4th Amendment' held on 21st July, 2018 at Mulund College of Commerce Mulund (W) Mumbai.
- A talk by Ms Shilpa Ghone from Kaivalyadham on 'Yoga and Inter-personal Relationship' organized by the Departments of Philosophy and Psychology, Wilson College on 21st June 2018.

Ms Muneerah Khambhawala was appointed as the Chairperson for S.Y.B.A Sociology P-III (Choice Base) University Examination and as paper setter for T.Y.B.A P-IV and IX (Choice Base) University Examination. She was also appointed as Moderator for Sociology at Mithibai College.

Ms Muneerah Khambhawala presented the following papers:

1. 'Gender and Clothing: An Inter-sectional Analysis' at the 12th Dr Mani Memorial National Seminar on Paridhan: Clothing in Indian History on 29th September 2018 at the D.G. Ruparel College of Arts, Science and Commerce.
2. 'Sustainable Agriculture: A Study of Navdanya Movement in India' at the International Multidisciplinary Conference on Climate Change, Environmental and Sustainable Development in a Global Economy organized by South Indian's Welfare Society's N.R. Swamy College of Commerce & Economics and Smt. Thirumalai College of Science in collaboration with Alkesh Dinesh Mody Institute for Financial and Management Studies

University of Mumbai & Bombay Stock Exchange Investor's Protection Fund on 21st April 2018. This was published in Naveen ShodhSansar (An International Multidisciplinary Refereed Journal, U.G.C Approved Journal) Vol I, April 2018 Conference Edition, U.G.C. Journal No 64728.

Ms Muneerah Khambhawalawas appointed as a judge for the English Debate Competition organized as part of the College festival Ole held on 25th Jan 2019. She was invited as a resource person to conduct a session on 'Naxalite Movement' for the students of Marathi department on 12th October 2018. She also conducted a session on 'Developing Learning Outlook' at the Co-operative Education Programme (CEP-2018) on 8th May 2018.

Two Collaborative Initiatives with the Department of Sociology, Bhavans H. Somani College were undertaken this academic year. Two workshops were organized and certificates were awarded to the participants and volunteers. Details are as follows:

- a. On 27th October 2018, a workshop titled 'Interrogating Uniform Civil Code and Personal Law' was hosted by Bhavans H. Somani College. Advocate Ms Nausheen Yousuf, associated with Majlis Legal Centre was the Resource Person who provided intricate understanding on the above-mentioned area.
- b. On 8th February 2019, a one-day workshop titled 'Knowing Self, Knowing Rights' was hosted at Wilson College. Vice-Principal Dr AsishUzgare inaugurated the workshop; congratulated and motivated us with his kind words of appreciation and encouragement. The first session was conducted by Advocate Ms Nausheen Yousuf, associated with Majlis Legal Centre on 'Legislation on Domestic Violence in India'. This session provided students with deep insights into the gravity of the issue of Domestic Violence in our society. T.Y.B.A students of Wilson College & Bhavans Somani College, S.Y.B.A students of Sociology and Introduction to Law (Applied Component) attended the session. The second session was conducted by Humsafar Trust which works for the health and human rights of the Queer community. The speakers were Ms. Pearl, Ms. Koninika Roy and Ms. MeghaSheth. The session succeeded in breaking the binaries on 'Sex and Gender' used in common parlance.

The Department also conducted Collaborative Activities with Political Science Department/ Political Science Association (PSA)

- a. Screening of the movie 'Please Mind The Gap' was arranged by PSA in collaboration with Sociology Department on 29th January, 2019. This was followed by an interactive session with the Director of the movie Mitali Trivedi. Students of Sociology and Political Science departments attended it.
- b. Department of Sociology in collaboration with Department of Political Science organized a workshop on 'Declining Child Sex Ratio' on 9th February 2019 conducted by Ms Sayali and Ms Sandhya; Research Assistants, Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Women's Studies Center, Savitribai Phule Pune University. The workshop was inaugurated by Vice-Principal Dr Ashish Uzgare who welcomed and felicitated the speakers. Students of Sociology and Political Science departments attended it. Certificates were awarded to the students.

This was followed by a short skit on the theme of Violence against Women performed by the students of the Drama Club, Wilson College – Ms Shrishti Shahi, Ms Mehjaheen Shaikh and Ms Vaibhavi Malandkar.

The Department initiated Remedial Lectures for T.Y.B.A students engaged by Ms Treasa Francis.

A syllabus enrichment lecture on 'Tribals and the Forest Rights Act, 2006' was arranged for the students of S.Y.B.A Sociology on 15th February 2019. The lecture was delivered by Ms Sarika Kulkarni, Founder of Raah Foundation that works with the tribal community of Jawhar, Palghar district.

Students of F.Y.B.A Anthropology and T.Y.B.A Sociology attended a talk by Dr Kranti Jejurkar on 7th February 2019 on 'Prevention of Sexual Harassment' and 'Functioning of Internal Complaints Committee' organised by the ICC, Wilson College. Ms Treasa Francis accompanied the students.

As part of innovative pedagogical practice, the S.Y.B.A Sociology students carried out a brief Research Survey on 'Street Vendors and Hawkers'. Five students' groups presented their findings in the class. This activity provided them with research skills while at the same time giving them an opportunity to gain empirical knowledge of the informal sector. Similarly, Student's presentations for F.Y.B.A class were conducted during their lectures. These aimed to help them develop/enhance various soft skills and public speaking ability.

Ms Muneerah Khambhawala was appointed as the FY-Foundation Course Co-ordinator. The following workshops

were arranged for the FY students and certificates were awarded to the participants:

- a. An interactive theatre workshop on 'Stress and Conflict Management' was organized for the students of F.Y.B.A Foundation Course at Wilson College, in association with Aum Yash Kendra, a theatre institute based in Prabhadevi, on 12th of February, 2019. The workshop was inaugurated by the Principal who appreciated this innovative approach to enrich the syllabus. The workshop aimed at employing various theatre games and exercises to identify the reasons for stress and conflict, how they arise in different social situations and how to combat them. Ms Vidhi Mehra was one of the trainers in the workshop, being associated with Aum Yash Kendra.
- b. A workshop for F.Y.B.A students on 'Creating Awareness on Learning Disability' was conducted by Maharashtra Dyslexia Association (MDA) in collaboration with IQAC, Wilson College, on 1st October 2018. The resource person for the workshop was Ms Kate Currawalla, President of Maharashtra Dyslexia Association. The workshop aimed at sensitizing students with the different types of Learning Disabilities, clear their myths and misconceptions and thus make efforts towards inclusiveness.

Both these workshops could be successfully accomplished due to the support of Ms Debbie James, Ms Vidhi Mehra and Ms Disha Bhatt, FY-FC teachers.

The above teachers encouraged the students and even participated along with them in the various workshops organized in the college, especially on themes related to their syllabus.

- Ms Debbie James along with the students of F.Y.B.Sc Foundation Course (Div C) attended an interactive workshop on 'Calculating Carbon Footprint Based Lifestyle and a Participative Dialogue on Climate Justice' as part of the Youth for Green Fest - Climate Change Impact & Sustainable Pathways on 14th February 2019.
- Students of F.Y.B.Sc Foundation Course - Div A & B attended a session on 'Environment and Sustainable Development' organized by Political Science Association and curated by Prof Sudhakar Solomonraj on 15th January 2019. Ms Debbie James and Ms Vidhi Mehra were the teachers-in-charge for the same.
- Students of F.Y.B.A Foundation Course attended a Workshop on 'Anti-Human Trafficking' conducted by Movement People, an NGO on 10th September 2018

organized by Wilson College. The resource person was Mr Lazarus Barse. The workshop highlighted the issues of trafficking and the role played by the NGO in this area. The workshop was attended by Ms Muneerah Khambhawala, Ms Debbie James and Ms Disha Bhatt.

As Mentor-in-charge of F.Y.BA students allotted to her, Ms Muneerah Khambhawala conducted/organized the following sessions for her mentees. However, these sessions were open for all students who wished to attend.

- a. An Introductory session was held on 4th October 2018 to explain the mentoring system and to plan the future sessions.
- b. A session titled 'Developing Learning Outlook' conducted by Ms Savita Tilak, Counsellor Wilson College, was held on 11th October 2018. The broad objective of the session was to orient the mentees towards their goals, aspirations and career choices.
- c. A session titled 'Effective CV Writing' by Ms Sasmita Dongare, BMS department, was held on 25th October 2018.
- d. A joint mentoring session was arranged on 17th Jan 2019 for the mentees of Ms Muneerah Khambhawala, Ms Rashmi Satpute and Ms Asilata Karandikar. The session on 'Note Making' was conducted by Ms Savita Tilak, Counsellor Wilson College.
- e. A joint mentoring session was arranged on 22nd Jan 2019 for the mentees of Ms Muneerah Khambhawala and Ms Asilata Karandikar. The session on 'Career Planning' was conducted by Ms Savita Tilak, Counsellor Wilson College.

*Ms. Muneerah Khambhawala
Head, Dept. of Sociology*

Botany

The Departmental conducted a variety activities for 2018-19:

A Parent-teacher meeting for the TY's held on 21st July, 2018.

A "fruit and vegetable carving workshop" was conducted by the resource person, Mr. Rajput for the TY studentson 21st Feb., 2019. The workshop was a refreshing respite from routine work.

An organoleptic practical session in food preservation and processing was conducted for the SY and TY students of Botany by Ms. Sandra Kavarana and Mr.B. M. Konde

on 7th and 8th of Feb., 2019. An organoleptic evaluation session was organized on 28th Feb., 2019 by Ms. Sandra Kavarana and Mr. B.M. Konde. TY students prepared food preserves like jam, pickle, squash and ketchup which were evaluated by a proficient team of teachers of our college. This activity is a remarkable one as it inculcates the spirit of entrepreneurship.

A second Parent-teacher meeting for the TY class was held on 2nd March, 2019 to intimate parents about their children's attendance.

Guest Lectures-

Prof. Solomonraj, Head of the Political Science Department of Wilson College, Mumbai, delivered a lecture for students of S.Y.B.Sc. and T.Y.B.Sc. (Botany) on "**Non-Botanical Perspectives of Plant Sciences**" on 28th July, 2018.

Dr. Vijay Hedge, an Assistant Professor in Nutritional Sciences of Texas Tech University and also, an alumnus of Wilson College, delivered a lecture on "**Challenges to Health**" on 20th August, 2018. Degree college students of all faculties and teaching staff were invited to attend this lecture. It was a full house as we tried to accommodate as many as we could.

Dr. Sangeeta Godbole, Head of the Department of Botany of Jai Hind College, Mumbai, delivered a lecture on "**Secondary Metabolites**" for students of S.Y.B.Sc. and T.Y.B.Sc. (Botany) on 8th March, 2019.

Dr. Sathe, Head of the Department of Botany of Kirti College, Mumbai, delivered a lecture and held a demonstration on "**Making Terrariums**" for students of S.Y.B.Sc. and T.Y.B.Sc. (Botany) on 23rd March, 2019.

Teacher Activities –

Mr. B. M. Konde-

Guest Presentation lectures for students:

1. For Cooperative Education Programme (CEP): 'Business Opportunities With Special Reference To Nursery Management' on 22nd June, 2018.
2. 02 Sessions on 'Floristic Bio-diversity in Wilson Campus' during the 'T. Y. Orientation Programme' in Wilson College on 29th June, 2018.
3. For T. Y. B. A. (History) students – presentation on 'Archaeobotany' on 25th July, 2018.

4. For the Science Circle - Presentation on 'Change Perspectives... Know Your Plants Better' on 6th October, 2018.

Visits:

1. **Visit to The Horticulture Exhibition** (with TY's students) at VeermataJijabaiBhosaleUdyan, Byculla, on 1st Feb., 2019.
2. **Visit to BPT Garden** (SagarUpvan) (with TY's students) for Horticultural and Eco-Taxonomic studies, Colaba, on 7th March, 2019.

Other Activities:

1. Conducted 'Activity based lectures on Environmental Botany' for FY's students.
2. Co-ordinated a workshop on 'Fruits and Vegetables- Processing and Preservation' for SY's Botany students, Wilson College on 7th Feb., 2019.
3. Co-ordinated a one day 'Training Workshop on Fruit and Vegetable Carving' for TY's students, resourced by Mr. Rajput on 21st Feb., 2019.
4. SY Team Presentations on topics from ECOLOGY- 8 teams and 31 students participated in this activity.

Conferences/Workshops:

Attended (on behalf of IQAC) a One Day Conference on the Best Practices of Colleges at SIES College, Nerul, Navi Mumbai and had a PPT on; 'Nature Club: one of the Best Practices of Wilson College' on 8th Sept., 2018.

Attended a workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' an IQAC initiative, 22nd October, 2018.

Attended an International Conference on 'Environment, Development and Sustainability' and presented a poster on 'Review on Climate Change in India' at Devrukh, Dist- Ratnagiri on 15th Dec. 2018.

Dr. Ajita Kumar-

1. Attended one day workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' an IQAC initiative, 22nd Octo., 2018.

Dr. A. Chris-

1. Attended one day workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' an IQAC initiative, 22nd Oct, 2018.
2. Attended one day workshop on TY's Botany Revised Syllabus Semester- VI, organized by GogateJogalekar

College, Ratnagiri and Board of Studies in Botany, University of Mumbai.

Dr. Jai Knox-

1. Dr. Jai Knox was appointed as a Co-convenor of the N.S.S. unit of Wilson College of the academic year 2018-2019.
2. Attended and presented a paper on "Phytosociological analysis of *Parthenium hysterophorus* L. and its management through competitive weeds" in the Indian Society of Weed Science Golden Jubilee International Conference on November 21-24, 2018 organized by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research - Directorate of Weed research, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh.
3. Served as a resource person in the N.S.S. special residential camp at Thakurwadi, Mulgaon Grampanchayat, Badlapur (Maharashtra) from 5th January - 11th January, 2019 – conducted by the N.S.S. unit of Wilson College, Mumbai.
4. Served as a Rapporteur at the S.W.S. Golden Jubilee International Conference held at the ICAR- Directorate of Weed research in Jabalpur, MP, India November (21-24), 2018.

Ms. Natasha Karras-

- Attended a one day workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' an IQAC initiative, 22nd Oct., 2018. Papers Communicated in International Journals by the teaching staff-Dr. Jai Knox, Dr. Abhishek Chris and Dr. Ajita Kumar-

Plant Community Analysis at Thakurwadi village, Badlapur, Maharashtra, Indian Biochemical and cellular archives Journal (communicated) UGC Journal no. 14554.

*Ms. Sandra Kavarana,
Head, Dept. of Botany*

Zoology

The Department of Zoology kept up with its tradition of academic excellence and achievements this year also. This year Ms.Neha Elizabeth Koshy & Dr. Devdatta Lad published a Practical Handbook for F.Y.B.Sc. Zoology semester two (Mumbai University Syllabus) with Akinik Publication New Delhi in 2018. Dr. Devdatta Lad contributed a puzzle titled "ORNAMENTAL FISHES PUZZLE" published in Science Reporter Vol. 55 No. 09 September 2018, ISSN 0036 – 8512.

Dr. Sushant Mane attended a workshop at Biotechnology Department, University of Mumbai on 22nd and 23rd December 2018. Ms.Neha Elizabeth Koshy completed UGC-HRDC, University of Mumbai Refresher Course in ICT- (ID)- Effective use of ICT in Science Education) successfully with an A grade from 24th September 2018 to 13th October 2018. Dr. Devdatta Lad, Ms.Neha Elizabeth Koshy and Dr. Sushant Mane attended workshop on "Implementation of Revised T.Y.B.Sc. Zoology Syllabus" from 2018 – 19. Organized by the Board of Studies, Zoology, University of Mumbai and held at Bhavan's Andheri College on 27th June 2018.

Zoology excursions and visits are very popular events among our students. This year Dr. Sushant Mane organized a short excursion for F.Y.B.Sc. Zoology students to Mahseer hatchery, Lonavala and Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park, Pune on 19th January 2019. Ms.Neha Elizabeth Koshy organised a long excursion for S.Y.B.Sc., T.Y.B.Sc. and M.Sc. first and second year Zoology students to Pench & Tadoba wildlife sanctuary from 2nd to 7th February 2019. Dr. S. J. Mane and Ms. Caroline Gloria arranged a visit to Versova fish landing centre for the T.Y.B.Sc. students on 28th February 2019.

Another very popular event in Zoology Department is an intra-departmental sea food cooking competition called Fish-O-Fest. It is based on the skill of scientific knowledge applied to handling and cooking of sea food. This event was conducted on 14th February 2019.

Upon the inspiration from our Principal Ms. Anna Nikalje, Department also organized a leprosy awareness programme on 20th February 2019. It included a lecture by an expert from medical field and an exhibition on various aspects of leprosy and its causative agent. Dr. (Ms.) A. Pednekar from Atworth Leprosy Hospital was invited to deliver the lecture.

Faculty was also involved in active research. Research papers published by the faculty members are as follows:-

- Dr. Devdatta Gopal Lad published following research papers
 - "ANALYSIS OF PRICE FLUCTUATION OF EXPORTED ANIMAL PRODUCTS BY INDIA USING LASPEYRES PRICE INDEX" in International Journal of Pharmacy and Biological Science in its, April – June 2018 issue.

Chemistry

- “TOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF STREPTOZOTOCIN AND CURATIVE ROLE OF POLYHERBAL FORMULATION DIABCURE (PHFD) AND GLIBENCLAMIDE ON VARIOUS ENZYMES IN WISTAR RAT” in International Journal of Basic and Applied Research in its July 2018 issue.
 - “TOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF STREPTOZOTOCIN AND CURATIVE ROLE OF POLYHERBAL FORMULATION DIABCURE (PHFD) AND GLIBENCLAMIDE ON VARIOUS HAEMATOLOGICAL PARAMETERS IN WISTAR RAT” International Journal of Basic and Applied Research in its October 2018 issue.
 - “A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF MOISTURE AND TOTAL SOLID CONTENT IN DIFFERENT PROCESSED FISH FEEDS” International Journal of Basic and Applied Research in its December 2018 issue.
 - “A STUDY ON EFFECTIVENESS OF MULTIMEDIA FOR TEACHING BIOLOGY AT HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL LEVEL” Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research (JETIR), November 2018, Volume 5, Issue 11, 606 – 609. ISSN: 2349-5162.
- Dr. Sushant Mane published following research papers
- Fishery and behaviour of banana prawn, *Fenneropenaeus merguensis* (de Man, 1888) around Mumbai waters. (2018) Int. J. Life Sciences, Vol. 6 (2): 549-556.
 - Venerid Clam fishery from Kalbadevi estuary, Maharashtra. (2018) Int. J. Life Sciences, Vol. 6 (2): 500-506.
 - Species diversity and basic biology of Cuttlefishes from Maharashtra waters, northwest coast of India. (2018) Int. J. Life Sciences, Vol. 6 (3): 799-806.
 - Dimensional relationships of *Fenneropenaeus merguensis* (de Man, 1888) banana prawn, from Mumbai waters. (2018) Int. J. Life Sciences, Vol. 6 (4): 927-936.

Ms. Paramjeet Shetti
Head, Dept. of Zoology

Prof. (Dr.) Anna Pratima Nikalje was appointed as Principal of Wilson College from Sept. 2018. We are very happy that she belongs to chemistry department. With her expertise in research, we look forward to the growth of the dept.

Mr. S. S. Borde was appointed as the Vice President of Gymkhana. Dr. Tasneem Mazgaonkar, Mr. Sachin Gupta, Ms. Rupali Prajapati and Ms. Shreya Shirke were appointed on Contract Basis. We welcome them and look forward to their contribution towards the working of the dept.

This year 63 students enrolled for T.Y.B.Sc.

Workshop on Revised Syllabus of M.Sc. Sem. III and IV in the subject of Physical and Inorganic Chemistry was organized in the month of Aug. 2018.

Industrial visit to Chandigarh was organized from 25th Jan. to 2nd Feb. 2019 followed by Amritsar and Manali. Cure-tech skincare and Tiruvision Medicare were visited at Chandigarh. Seventy Seven students of S.Y.B.Sc. and T.Y.B.Sc. were accompanied by Dr. S. Z. Bootwala, Dr. H. A. Parbat, Mr. Kailas Shinde, Dr. Tasneem Mazgaonkar and our senior non-teaching staff Mr. Devidas Dhuri.

Workshop on “Advanced Studies in Inorganic Chemistry” was organized by Dr. S. Z. Bootwala and Dr. H. A. Parbat from 25th Feb. to 27th Feb. 2019. 63 students participated in the workshop.

One day Industrial Visit was organized to AYM- SYNTEX INDUSTRIES, Palghar on 5th March 2019. Eighty two students of S.Y.B.Sc. were accompanied by Dr. S.Z. Bootwala, Dr. Hina Shaikh, Mr. Kailas Shinde, Dr. Anand Burange, and Ms. Shreya Shirke.

Miss Durva Pathare secured 1st rank in the in the subject of Analytical chemistry in Mumbai University at the M.Sc. degree examination held in April 2018 and was awarded “Late (SMT.) Sujata Pabrekar memorial prize” for the year 2018.

Dr.S.Z.Bootwala

1. Awarded ‘Best Professor Award’ by RULA INTERNATIONAL’18 on 15th Aug., 2018 at Grandeur Hall of Breeze Residency in Trichy, Tamilnadu. IJRULA is a strong initiation cum foundation by IDAMAS LEARNING CENTER (Malaysia). Titles are Awarded by, “International

Journal for Research Under Literal Access" Accredited with, "Idamas Learning and Training Center (Malaysia)"

2. Awarded 'Best Woman Chemistry Teacher' by Association of Chemistry Teachers at National Convention of Chemistry Teachers (NCCT-Oct 25-27,2018)) on Oct. 25,2018 at Regional Institute of Education (NCERT) Ajmer.

PhD degree awarded to Mr. Ganesh More in chemistry under the guidance of Dr S.Z.Bootwala on 5th Feb. 2019 ,title of his thesis is Synthesis, Spectroscopic And Biological Characterization Of Metal Complexes With A New Macrocylic Ligand

Ongoing/completed Research Projects with the Staff:

Dr. Jamson Masih

Successfully Completed Major Research Project of UGC Sanction to Dr.JamsonMasih in the year 2015 with a total grant of Rs. 15,15,000/- on the topic "Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and their related carcinogenic potencies estimation in the PM2.5 particulate matter in urban and suburban area of Mumbai, India" on 30th June 2018.

Principal Investigator of one ongoing Major Research Project titled "Distribution, behaviour and its associated metals Concentration of Nano-particles in urban and sub-urban areas of Mumbai, India sanctioned by BARC, Mumbai with a Total grant of Rs. 15,00,000/-

Research Papers Published:

Dr. D V Prabhu and Dr H A Parbat

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Kinetics of controlled oxidation of some aliphatic alcohols using Potassium iodate-Harichandra A Parbat and D V Prabhu, *Asian Journal of Chemistry*, Vol 30(11),2018,p.2591-2594

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Changes in Chemistry curriculum and the role of Chemistry Olympiads- D V Prabhu, *Chemical Industry Digest*,Oct. 2018,p.48-49.

International Science Olympiad Programme-the harbinger of innovation in Science Education-D V Prabhu, *HEF's Indian Journal of Higher Education*(ISSN 0976-1314),Vol 9,Issue 2,July-Dec. 2018 p.20-26.

Dr.S.Z.Bootwala:

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New aminothiophene Schiff base and Co(II) and Ni(II), complexes: Synthesis, Characterization and in vitro Antitubercular and Antimicrobial Activity(accepted) will

be published in April in International Journal of Current Advanced Research ISSN:Print-2319-6505; ISSN: Online -2319-6475

Dr. Anand S. Burange

An efficient Knoevenagel condensation of aldehydes with active methylene compounds over novel, robust CeZrO_4 catalyst. AJ Sahani, AS Burange, RV Jayaram, *Research on Chemical Intermediates* (Springer) 44 (12), 7805-7814, 2018

Cross-Coupling Reactions of Aryltriethoxysilanes and Diaryldiselenides-A New Route for the Synthesis of Diarylselenides. AJ Sahani, AS Burange, S Narasimhan, RV Jayaram, *ChemistrySelect* (Wiley) 3 (43), 12291-12296, 2018

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Chemical characterization of submicron particle in indoor and outdoor air at two different microenvironments in the western part of India, Jamson Masih, Ashwati Nair, Sneha Gautam, Rakesh Kumar Singhal, HIRAKANDU BASU, Swati Dyavarchetty, Ashish Uzgare, Ajay Taneja, *SN Applied Sciences*, (Springer Nature Switzerland) 1: 165, 2019.

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Papers presented and abstracted in Proceedings of National and International Conferences:

Dr H.A Parbat

Resource person for TWO days international conference on "ADVANCES IN CHEMICAL SCIENCE 18th-19th Dec. 2018 at S. M. Joshi College, Hadapsar, Pune city, "kinetic and thermodynamic investigations of the oxidation of industrially important secondary cyclic alcohols by inorganic oxidant KBrO_3 in acidic medium with transition metal ions".

Referee for International Interdisciplinary Conference on "Recent Trends in Science" on 8th-9th March 2019 at JSM College Alibag, Raigad.

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Dr D V Prabhu served as the Convenor of MTCSGC 2018 and as Editor of the Conference Proceedings.

Guest Speakers/Invited Talk/Chairperson/Trainer for Conferences Seminars workshop etc.

Dr. Ashish S Uzgare

Invited as subject trainer for Chemistry in the two day workshop on Research Based Pedagogical Tools organized by NES Ratnam College of Arts Science and Commerce, Mumbai from 28th to 29th Sept. 2018.

Invited as subject trainer for Chemistry in the regional STEM workshop on Research Based Pedagogical Tools at HRDC,

Integral University, Lucknow from 23rd to 25th Oct. 2018, organized by IISER Pune (Supported by MHRD, Govt. of India) and Integral University Lucknow.

Attended a workshop on Flipped Classroom organized by IQAC, Wilson College, on 22nd Oct. 2018.

Dr. Jamson Masih

Presented a Paper on Chemical characterization of Submicron particles in indoor and outdoor air of Urban Site of Mumbai, India: A pilot Study in 11th International Conference on Sustainable Energy and Environmental Protection (SEEP 2018), 8-11 May 2018, held at the University of the West of Scotland Glasgow, Scotland.

Chaired a session on Renewable Energy in the 11th International Conference on Sustainable Energy and Environmental Protection (SEEP 2018), 8-11 May 2018, held at the University of the West of Scotland Glasgow, Scotland.

Completed successfully Refresher Course in Chemistry held from 5th Sept. to 25th Sept. 2018 at Academic Staff College, UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Hyderabad.

Books Published:

Dr. S. Z. Bootwala, Co-author in Inorganic Chemistry for T.Y.B. Sc. Semester-V & VI as per the revised syllabus of University of Mumbai. By Sheth Publishers Pvt. Ltd (2018). ISBN: 978-93-87778-55-9

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Seminars and Activities:

Dr. Sadhu Kolekar, University of South Florida gave a talk on "Basics of Atomic Force Microscopy and Scanning Tunneling Microscopy Techniques" for Undergraduate and Post graduate students on 15th Oct. 2018. On 17th Oct. 2018, our ex faculty member Dr. James Barton addressed Post graduate students.

Dr. Fritz Schaefer from MIT gave a talk on "The World Views of Great scientists" , in the month of Dec. 2018.

Department of Chemistry in collaboration with NSS organized a workshop on "Theory and Practice of Disaster Management" on 22nd Feb. 2019. Mr. Babasaheb Mangsule, Civil Defence Staff, Cross Maidan, Dhobi Talao was the Resource Person.

Dr. Ashish Uzgare organized Hands on Training for HPLC in the DST – FIST Laboratory on 15th Feb. 2019. Thirty Three participants attended the training session.

Staff Achievements:

Mr. S. S. Borde was invited to judge an intercollegiate competition in R. J. College, Ghatkopar on 12th Dec. 2018.

Referee for International Interdisciplinary Conference on "Recent Trends in Science" on 8th-9th March 2019 at JSM College Alibag, Raigad.

Dr. Hina Shaikh successfully completed refresher course with "A" Grade from University of Mumbai

Mr. Kailas W. Shinde was appointed as co-convenor of the Rotract Club of Wilson College.

Mrs. Smita Masih was appointed as the Vice Principal of Junior College for the academic year 2018-19.

Ms. Shreya S. Shirke was invited as judge for Open day in Mackichan Hall boys hostel on 11th Feb. 2019.

Converner of the workshop, Dr. S. Z. Bootwala Participated as a resource person at the workshop on Revised Syllabus for M.Sc. SEM-III&IV on 2nd Aug. 2018 organised by Wilson College

Dr. Thomson A. Fernandes was appointed as convener of Cultural Activity and Drama Club of Wilson College and is also member of Discipline committee, Internal Complaint Committee (ICC), Research, Admission and Gymkhana committee. He successfully completed an Orientation Course with A- Grade from Pondicherry University, Pudducherry held in Nov. 2018 and successfully defended the Open Defence

Examination of Doctoral Degree (Ph.D.), ICT Mumbai in March 2019.

Dr. Anand S. Burange was appointed as a visiting faculty in organic chemistry at Institute of Chemical Technology, Matunga, Mumbai for F.Y. B. Chem. Eng. He also was appointed as visiting faculty in organic chemistry at Ramnarain Ruia College, Mumbai for M.Sc. part II. and as a board member of National Standard Examination in Chemistry (NSEC) for stage 1 chemistry Olympiad examination.

He served a member for various college committees like orientation, cultural, drama club, discipline and maintenance will as a co-ordinator of ESEP program.

Mrs Yojana Parab was invited to judge the "Organoleptic evaluation event" by the T.Y.B.Sc Students of Horticulture and Gardening. She has attended a workshop conducted by the Maharashtra state board, to discuss the revised pattern and evaluation plan for H.Sc. question paper for the subject of chemistry.

Mrs. Manisha Tribhuvan successfully completed a certificate course in Astronomy, Conducted in Wilson college by Prof. Mahesh Shetty of the dept. of physics.

Mr. S. S. Borde

Head, Department of Chemistry.

Physics

Research Activities:

Dr. Sujata Patil published a paper "Multiple magnetic transitions in EuNiSi_3 " in AIP Conference Proceedings 1942, 130059 (2018).

Workshops:

Mr. Michael D'Souza attended a symposium on "Worsening Agrarian Crisis and the Way Out" at Nirmala Niketan College of Social Work on 20th February 2019.

Outreach Activities:

Mr. Mahesh Shetti gave following talks at various forums:

- Conducted Problem solving sessions (topics: Astronomy and Optics) in I.A.P.T. Summer School in Theoretical Physics conducted at S.I.E.S. college from 4th June to 15th June 2018.
- "Sesquicentennial commemoration of Helium Discovery" on 18th August 2018 at Wilson College.

- "Women Astronomers" – at D. G. Ruparel college on 1th February 2019.

Mr. Mahesh Shetti is a resource person for Centre for Extra-Mural Studies' (Mumbai University). He gave various lectures in 'Certificate course in Astronomy and Astrophysics' and 'Certificate course in Ancient Indian Arts, Crafts and Science'.

Mr. Michael D'Souza worked as ISC examiner at John Connon and Cathedral School on 5th February 2019.

Teachers from local schools visited Physics lab. Various demonstration experiments were set up for showing spectra of different sources, electromagnetic induction, phenomenon of beats and resonance using tuning forks. These experiments were also demonstrated to Science Circle students from Class XI. Mr. Mahesh Shetti conducted the session.

Post-graduate Teaching:

Mr. S. R. Deodhar conducted courses on 'Quantum Mechanics' and 'Classical Electrodynamics' at Ruparel M.Sc. lecture centre and 'Electrodynamics' and 'Statistical physics' at Institute of Chemical Technology (ICT), Mumbai. Mr. M. C. D'Souza gave courses on 'Statistical Physics' and 'Atomic Physics' at Ruparel college M.Sc. lecture centre and Mathematical Methods at Ruia College.

University level examination:

Mr. Michael D'Souza and Mr. Shekhar Deodhar worked as paper setter and examiner for M.Sc. exams. Dr. Kapil Bhatt is involved in project evaluation for M.Sc. students of University Department of Physics, Mumbai. Mr. Michael D'Souza, Dr. U. V. Patil, Mr. Mahesh Shetti, Dr. Sujata Patil and Dr. Kapil Bhatt worked as examiner at T.Y.B.Sc. examination.

Physics Society Activities

Educational visit was arranged for T.Y.B.Sc. students to Biomedical instrumentation division, Wadia Hospital for Children at Parel, Mumbai on 11th October 2018. Our physics alumni Ms. Shweta Joshi (2004 batch) who is in-charge there, guided students and they could see working of ECG, EEG, X-ray, CT scan, ultrasonography. Seeing the live demo was an enriching experience for all. All the questions students had were addressed promptly by the instrumentation team. Dr. Uday Patil and Mr. Mahesh Shetti accompanied and guided students.

Dr. Nainesh Patel from Department of Physics, Mumbai University, gave a talk on 'Nano-materials' on 12th September 2018. He also gave away the prizes for last year physics toppers – Ms. Kanan Virkar (sem I and II), Mr. Vijay Chauhan and Ms. Nancy Lalremsangi (both scoring overall O grade in sem I and II), Ms. Seema Thakur (sem III and IV), Ms Marita Coutinho (Sem V and VI).

Event Horizon – Physics Festival:

An intra-college festival "Event Horizon" was organized on 20th February 2019. It was inaugurated at the hands of Prof. Dr. Mayank Vahia (Dean, School of Mathematical Sciences, N.M.I.M.S., former retired professor from T.I.F.R.) He gave a lecture on "India in Space" explaining various space missions/probes India has sent and planning to send in recent future.

Mr. Pranath Soares (freelance photographer and visiting faculty at National Institute of Photography, Dadar) judged the photography competition. He also conducted an hour-long session on "Effective Photography".

Following competitions were organized as a part of this: Physics Quiz, Calculatour (competition to solve numerical expressions using scientific calculator), Circuitrix (debugging the given circuit), Physi-clix (photography competition of physical events with caption to explain the principle involved) and Debate competition. A good participation from junior and degree college students was observed. Our junior college teachers actively encouraged class XI students to participate in the competitions. We extend our special thanks to the ex-students: Ms. Nishita Patil for designing and judging the quiz, Mr. Shubham Mourya for designing, planning and judging Circuitrix competition, Ms. Gauri Kashelkar, Mr. Nandesh Ringe, Mr. Aditya Vichare, Mr. Anand Nishad and Ms. Marita Coutinho for helping in coordinating various competitions.

Prize Winners for Event Horizon:

Quiz Competition

Senior group:

First Prize: Vijay Chauhan + Jigar Patel

Second Prize: Madhwa Fakare + Manu Upadhyay

Third Prize: Mr. Kanan Virkar + Ms. Devanshi Merchant

Junior group

First Prize: Mr. Anand

Second Prize: Ms. Vaibhavi Jadhav
Third Prize: Mr. Jayant

Circuitrix

Senior group

First Prize: Mr. Jigar Patel (S.Y.B.Sc.)
Second Prize: Mr. Sambaran Banerjee (S.Y.B.Sc.)
Third Prize: Mr. Rishikant Brahmpuria (F.Y.B.Sc.)

Junior group

Mr. Saurav Patil

Calcutour:

First prize (shared): Mr. Jigar Patel and Ms. Kanan Virkar
(both S.Y.B.Sc.)
Second Prize: Ms. Devanshi Merchant (S.Y.B.Sc.)
Third Prize: Rishikant Brahmpuria (F.Y.B.Sc.)

Photography: (judge: Mr. Pranath Soares)

First Prize: Ms. Vandana Jogadiya (T.Y.B.Sc. Zoology)
Second Prize: Ms. Chandrani Pereira (S.Y.B.Sc.)
Third Prize: Ms. Suryanshi Kuyate (Class XI)
Student jury prize: Mr. Jigar Patel (S.Y.B.Sc.)

Debate: (judge: Prof. Michael D'Souza)

First Prize: Ms. Mohana Rebecca + Mr. Rishikant
Brahmpuria (both F.Y.B.Sc.)
Second Prize: Mr. Pradeep Sharma + Ms. Devanshi
Merchant (both S.Y.B.Sc.)
Best speakers: Mr. Pradeep Sharma and Mr. Rishikant
Brahmpuria

Dr. Virendra Yadav, a young scientist from Indian Institute of Geomagnetism was invited to give a lecture on "Geomagnetism" on 19th March 2019. All the prizes for Event Horizon were given at the hands.

All the TY students worked in planning and executing towards the successful event. Ms. Rachel Fargoes and Mr. Lumen Lopes for planning and coordinating the entire event, Mr. Arpit D'Mello, Mr. Chintan More, Mr. Rishabh Doshi for volunteering to various task and Mr. Phillip D'Souza for photographic the entire event. Mr. Dhaval Gupta (TY, Chemistry), Ms. Simran Menezes, Ms. Joretta D'britto, Ms. Enet Lopes, Ms. Elvita Rumao and Ms. Rincy (all TY Maths) also volunteered for the event.

*Mr. Shekhar Deodhar,
Head, Department of Physics*

Computer Science & Information Technology

The Department started its initiatives with an orientation program for its FY students. The teachers incharge were Ms. Gauravi Desai, Ms. Hanna Saadya Shaikh, Ms. Jovairia Ansari and Ms. Mahiba Khan.

1. Parikhshit Dokwal was the SECOND UNIVERSITY TOPPER in IT examinations with held in April 2018 with an aggregate of 91.75%.
2. Jovairia Ansari was the M.Sc. IT topper in June 2018 examinations with 9.17 CGPA.

BACKSLASH 2K19

The dept. organized their first ever IT fest "Backslash" on 5th - 6th of Feb. 2019. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Mr. Asif Rampurawala, Vice-Principal of Vidyankar School of Information Technology, Mr. Mark Tribhuvan, President of Mumbai Youth Network, a network of all Christian youth as well as of Sahawas Social & Christian Trust, an NGO which operates in the slums of Mumbai and Thane in the field of community development, free education, awareness programs and much more. The theme for the festival was "SonekiChidiya, Social Media"; this was because it is believed that with the advances in technology, social media has become a platform where we get a lot of news and information. If we carefully sculpt and structure social media, we can actively impact thousands and even millions of people globally.

The Opening ceremony began with a short prayer followed by the welcome speech by I/C Coordinator Ms. Gauravi Desai. Our Principal Dr. Prof. Anna Pratima Nikalje addressed the crowd on this occasion. The ceremony commenced with a dance performance by students of IT Dept.

The fest included various exciting events such as Singing, Box Cricket, Rink Football, Short Films, Code debugging, PUBG and DJ war held at different areas of the college. Likewise, Second day of Backslash had all the semi-final and final rounds of all the previous day sports events, along with this it also had Dance, Website Making, Fashion Show and Pop quiz competition running at different times and places in the entire college.

The Closing ceremony of Backslash took place in the College hall in the evening at 7:00 pm with Mr. Chirag Warty, CEO

of Quantical group of companies, Mr. Ahtesham Shaikh, Coordinator of BSc. IT Department, Akbar Peerbhoy Collge and Principal Dr. Prof. Anna Pratima Nikalje as the Guest of Honors, The ceremony started off with a fashion show followed by prize distribution and an inspiring speech by Mr. Chirag Warty.

• **Industrial visits:**

PUNE-LAVASA (17th Jan.-19th Jan.,2019)

FY, SY and TY students visited two IT companies NITS Global and Sunsoft Technologies in Pune.

1. **NITS Global** is one of the top company in CCNA and CCPA training .This well-known establishment acts as a one-stop destination servicing customers both local and from other parts of country. Over the course of its journey, this business has established a firm foothold in its industry. It provided students with the best knowledge of networking and data centers.
2. Sunsoft Technologies is a nonpareil institute of corporate training which gave a treasure of information to the students regarding application developments and GIS mapping technologies.

• **Campus Placements:**

This year proved to be a remarkable year for placements as many TYBSc IT students have bagged their placements offers from various reputed companies such as Deloitte, Capgemini, LTI, Infosys and TCS.

Below is the table providing proper count of the students recruited by the above mentioned companies:

Total no. of students in T.Y.BSc.IT : 51

Company Name	LTI	Deloitte	Infosys	Capgemini
Number of students got placed	05	06	03	15
Total Count	29			

• **Teacher Activities:**

1. August, 2019 - All IT teachers were sent for the TYBSc IT Semester V revised syllabus workshops conducted by Mumbai University in their respective papers.
2. December-January, 2019 - All IT teachers were sent for the TYBSc IT Semester VI revised syllabus workshops conducted by Mumbai University in their respective papers.

• **Books Published:**

Ms. Gauravi Desai – ‘Enterprise Java’, Himalaya Publishing House, August 2018, ISBN-978-93-5299-376-5

• **Guest Lectures /Seminars:**

1. August, 2018 - Project presentation by ex-students for TYIT in order to guide them with their projects.
2. 12th Sept., 2018 - Session by IIDE, a Digital Marketing Institute, an expertise of advanced Digital Marketing skills.
3. 8th Oct., 2019 - Seminar conducted by T.I.M.E. which offers best entrance coaching for CAT,GATE,IPM,CLAT,BANK PO,SSC, CGL,GRE,GMAT,IIT Foundation for SYIT and TYIT students.
4. 16th Jan., 2019 - Software Training Seminar by SEEDInfotech , a leading Software Training Institute in India.
5. Seminar on Cyber Security and Copyright by Ms. Reema Joshi from IIS (Institute of Information Security) for TYIT students.
6. 21st Jan. 2019 - Seminar conducted by Ms. Lajwanti Sharma from NIIT on ‘Internet of Things’ for FYIT,SYIT and TYIT by to acquaint students about the upcoming trend and technology.

• **Participation in collegiate and Intercollegiate fest/ competitions:**

1. Sports Day:
 - Silver medal in Tug of War competition: Jay Chiplunkar, Aaron Barboza, Swapnil Angne, Piyush Shinde, Kazi Darain Ali and Yashpal Rajpurohit.
 - Gold medal in shot put competition: Swapnil Angne
2. Udaan’18 - SK Somaiya College: Aaron Clinton won First Prize in short film competition.
3. Biomasaic’19 organized by Microbiology Dept of Wilson College:
 - Box Cricket Final :SwapnilAngne
4. First place in Intra college Table Tennis competition – Angel Dsouza
5. First place in Intra college Box Cricket competition –Yash Kolge, Aniket Nagare, Harshal Chavan, Abhishek Matkar, Dinesh Bhati, Nitesh Yadav, Fardin Khan.

Ms. Gauravi Desai
I/C Coordinator

Mathematics

Mr. Sanjeev Mandal was appointed as a full time temporary faculty.

Workshops/Seminars/Conferences attended: Ms. Joyce Kurien attended a STC at Guhali University on 'Disaster Management' from 30th Oct., 2018 to 5th November, 2018. Mr. Sadik Mohammed attended a workshop on 'Flipped Classroom' on 22nd Oct., 2018 at Wilson College.

Papers Presented: Ms. Joyce Kurien presented a paper on 'Emerging Trends in Online Education' on 20th February, 2019 at Bhavan's Somani College.

Research activity: Mr. S.Y. Pakhle submitted his M.Phil. Dissertation in 'Ideal Based Zero Graphs'.

Mathematics Society: Mathematics Society successfully organised its intra-collegiate festival 'MathaModulus 2K19' on 21st January, 2019. This year it consisted of 4 different interesting events namely, Logicana-Quiz Competition, Place Your Pieces-A Treasure Hunt Competition, Megamind-Bunch of interesting games and lastly Escape the Zombies. This year also we observed a good participation.

Remedial Teaching: Mr. Sadik Mohammed started the remedial teaching for F.Y.B.Sc. students for semester I and II.

Mr. S.Y. Pakhle
Head, Dept. of Mathematics

Microbiology

The academic year 2018 started with very satisfying and pleasant news that the department had secured 100% results for the T.Y.B.Sc Mumbai University examination with Nizamuddin Shaikh scoring 94.5% in the subject of Microbiology.

Student's activities:

Several activities were conducted by the department in order to kindle the interest in the minds of the young Microbes, through various competitions, seminars and workshops. The students were exposed to the fascinating world of Microbiology.

Talks and Guest lectures

Four alumni of the department from the batch of 2009 and one from batch of 1991 conducted an interactive career guidance session for the SY and TY students.

Job placement/internships

A 'Summer Internship' programme was coordinated for a period of 15 days to 1 month for the Second year students in March-May 2018 which gave them an exposure to practical aspects of their subjects. 53 students were placed as interns in reputed institutes and laboratories such as Agog Pharmaceuticals, N M Medical, Saifee hospital, Kokilaben Hospital, Thermolabs, Bhatia Hospital, Gokul, Padmaja Aerobiologicals Pvt.Ltd and Aarti Drugs.

Competitions held: Biomosaic 2K19

Wilson College marked its 187th year of its existence in the year 2019, a rich heritage and tradition founded by our Rev. Dr. John Wilson in the year 1832. Our Intercollegiate festival 'BioMosaic 2019' was conducted on 8th February 2019 organized by the Department of Microbiology, Wilson College, in the Audio-Visual room at 9.00 a.m. 'BioMosaic' provides a competitive platform to students fostering confidence, competence and constantly encouraging and motivating them to spread awareness about Life Sciences. BioMosaic 2019 was open to all undergraduates and postgraduates pursuing their studies in colleges under Mumbai University. 5 colleges from Mumbai University participated in the same.

The events were held throughout the day, followed by the prize distribution and vote of thanks.

This event was memorable because the students, the organizer and the teachers successfully managed everything even with the last minute surprises. Also the most commendable part was that the sponsorship team managed to get the sponsors in the small amount of time given to them.

IV/Excursions/ Field Visits

T.Y.B.Sc students visited

- 'The Advanced Centre for Treatment, Research and Education in Cancer (ACTREC)' for an 'Open Day' at the institute on 7th December, 2018.
- The Animal Tissue Culture laboratory at Bayview Research Centre, Charni Road as a part of their syllabus 20th February, 2018.
- The Third year B.Sc. students were taken to Chandigarh-Shimla as a part of the Industrial visit from the 11th February-16th January, 2019. They visited National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute (NABI) at Mohali. The Institute aims at catalyzing the transformation of Agri-Food sector in India.

- S.Y.B.Sc students had visited Sula Wines, at Nashik on 19th January 2019. This industrial visit was very useful since it was part of their curriculum. Cultivation of grapes, wine production and processing was explained and shown.
- S.Y.B.Sc student Jagruti Jarag stood 3rd in 4x100meters relay competition at the 108th Annual Sports Meet of Wilson College held on 14th January 2019.

Student Achievements:

- The "17th State Level Microbiological Contest & Microbio Olympiad" event which triggered the acumen of our students and gave them a fair chance to portray their competitive alertness on a state level platform. The preliminary screening test was held on 8th January 2017 and 109 Students from the FYBSc, SYBSc and TYBSc batch participated in it. The Microbiology department of Wilson College, ranked 1st among the top 10 colleges in the entire state at the TYBSc level screening test. The overall state topper in the TY category was our student Debarshi Mukherjee. The State Level Microbio Olympiad quiz was held on 27th January 2017 at Shirpur, Dhule. We are proud to announce that our T.Y.B.Sc students Debarshi Mukherjee secured First rank, Swathi Nair and Rajeshwari Kunder secured Fourth place in 18th State Level Microbio Olympiad quiz contest held at Shirpur on January 9, 2019.
- Microbio Canvas our student Rahul Mishra stood 1st in the State in the Microbio Canvas competition of the 17th Microbio Olympiad held on 27th January 2019.
- T.Y.B.Sc student Debarshi Mukherjee had participated in SMARTINIS and SPY-FI event held at Biotechnova 2018-19 on 10th of January 2019 held at SVKM'S Mithibai College of Arts, Chauhan Institute of Science.
- T.Y.B.Sc student Swati Nair had secured 2nd in SPY-FI event held at Biotechnova 2018-19 on 10th of January 2019 held at SVKM'S Mithibai College of Arts, Chauhan Institute of Science.
- T.Y.B.Sc student Afzal Khan had secured 2nd in SPY-FI event held at Biotechnova 2018-19 on 10th of January 2019 held at SVKM'S Mithibai College of Arts, Chauhan Institute of Science.
- T.Y.B.Sc student Afzal Khan had participated in the event titled CEREBROCRACKER organized at Palindrome held on 20th January 2018 at St. Xaviers College, Mumbai.
- S.Y.B.Sc student Melannie D'Mello stood 2nd in the CCISP Essay writing organized for youth for green fest held on 15th February 2019.
- S.Y.B.Sc student Jagruti Jarag stood 1st in tug-of-war competition at the 108th Annual Sports Meet of Wilson College held on 14th January 2019.
- S.Y.B.Sc student Kopal Khanna stood 3rd in Unravel competition at Microscope held on 14th January 2019 at K.J. Somaiya college.
- Every year deserving students from the Microbiology department are awarded the Prema Arya scholarship. This year the scholarship has been awarded to Mr. Dinesh Thevar and Ms. Swathi Nair from S.Y.B.Sc. and T.Y.B.Sc respectively. Each student was awarded Rs. 6000/- scholarship.

Teacher related activities

Seminars/conferences attended and Papers/Posters presented:

1. Dr. K. Aruna attended the Workshop Qualitative Publications-A Road Map 5th April 2018, Wilson College, Mumbai.
2. Dr. K. Aruna attended the Designing a successful research project- With Hands on Experience 9th April 2018, Wilson College, Mumbai.
3. Darshana Raut and K.Aruna. Screening of carotenoids producing bacteria from various sources. Poster presented at International conference on Advances in Biosciences and Biotechnology organised by Department of biotechnology JIIT, Noida on 1st-3rd February 2018.
4. Amit Sagvekar, Meghana Gore and K. Aruna. Assessment of probiotic potential of lactic acid bacterium isolated from natural fermented carrot and beetroot beverage. Poster presented at National level poster presentation competition 'Bioinnova 2018' held at Thakur College of Science and commerce, Kandivali.
5. Anuradha Pendse & K.Aruna. Screening of potential biosurfactant producing microorganisms from oil contaminated soil samples. Poster presented at an International conference on Microbial technology for better tomorrow organized by Dr. D.Y. Patil ARTS, Commerce and Science College, Pimpri, Pune on 17th-19th February 2018.

6. R.D. Birmole & K.Aruna. Optimisation of decolourisation of Reactive Red 120 by *Shewanellahaliotis* strain RDB_1 isolated from lake water sediment. Poster presented at an International conference on Microbial technology for better tomorrow organized by Dr. D.Y. Patil Arts, Commerce and Science College, Pimpri, Pune on 17th-19th February 2018.
7. Suresh Patil and Aruna K. Screening and partial 16S rRNA gene sequencing of keratinase producing *Stenotrophomonasmaltophilia*KARUNA5 isolated from poultry waste. Poster presented in conference *International Conference on Environment, Development and Sustainability ICEDS 2018* organized by A.S.P. College, Devrukh, Dist: Ratnagiri, Maharashtra on 15th Dec 2018.
- 6) R. Gupta, K. Aruna and A. Pendse* Study of antibacterial effect of Myristicafragrans oil on planktonic and sessile ESBL and MBL producers *International Journal of Pharmacy and Biological Sciences* 8(2):409-418, 2018
- 7) A. Pendse, R. Mhatre and K. Aruna*Optimization of bio-surfactant production by Azo-rhizobium strain isolated from oil-contaminated soilGSC *Biological and Pharmaceutical Sciences*. 2018, 03(03), 035–046
- 8) Dipti Bakshi and K. Aruna* Optimization studies on production and activity of lipase obtained from *Acinetobacterjunii* VA2 isolated from pond soil. *Journal of Pharmaceutical, Chemical and Biological Sciences*. 2018,6(3), 129-142.
- 9) Anuradha Pendse, Stefan Manki, KavitaSolanki, PranaySawant and Aruna K. *Antimicrobial and resistance reversal activity of ethanolic extract of *Phoenix dactylifera (Dates)* on β -lactamase producing uropathogens *International Journal of Pharma Research and Health Sciences* 6(5), 2801-2806, 2018

Papers published

The departmental emphasis has always been on conducting research, publishing research work in reputed journals and knowledge sharing. The department has published5 research papers in national and international journals.

- 1) Ganesh More, Sushma Shenoy, Joyline Mascarenhas, K. Aruna and S. Bootwala. Synthesis, Characterization and invitroantitubercular and antimicrobial activities of new aminothiophene Schiff bases and their Co (II), Ni (II), Cu (II) and Zn (II) metal complexes. *Oriental journal of Chemistry*. Volume 34 (2): 800-812. 2018.
- 2) Ganesh More, Sushma Shenoy, JoylineMascarenhas, K. Aruna and S. Bootwala. Antimicrobial and antitubercular activity evaluation of newly synthesized zinc complexes of aminothiopheneschiff bases. *International journal of Pharmaceutical sciences and research*. 9(7).2018.
- 3) Victoria Uttangi and Aruna K*. Optimization of production and partial characterization of keratinase produced by *Bacillus thuringiensis* strain Bt407 isolated from poultry soil *International Journal of Current microbiology and applied sciences (IJCMAS)* 7 (04) 596-626, 2018
- 4) Anuradha Pendse and Aruna K*.Use of various screening methods for isolation of potential biosurfactant producing microorganism from oil contaminated soil samples. *Journal of Pharmacy Research*. 12(4) 599-605, 2018.
- 5) Rohini Prakash and Aruna K*.Optimization studies on the production and activity of xylanase obtained from *Paenibacilluslautus* isolated from mangrove soil. *World Journal of Pharmaceutical and Life Sciences* 4(5) 56-88. 2018
- 10) Colombowala A. and Aruna K.* Studies on Optimization of Siderophore Production by *Pseudomonasaeruginosa* azaar 11 Isolated from Aquatic Soil and its Antibacterial Activity *International Journal of Pharmacy and Biological Sciences*, 8(4), 714-731, 2018
- 11) Aruna K*, Indra Suresh Antibacterial effect of *Psidiumguajava* leaves extract on Extended spectrum β -lactamase and Metallo- β -lactamase producing uropathogensAsian *Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmacology* 4(6): 852-859, 2018
- 12) R. Birmole, Azza Parkar and K. Aruna* Biodegradation study of Reactive Red 195 by a novel strain *Enterococcus casseliflavus*RDB_4 isolated from textile effluent *Nature, Environment and Pollution technology* 2018 Accepted
- 13) Aruna K.*Antibacterial effect of cinnamon essential oil on ESBL and MBL producinguopathogens" *International Journal of Innovative Research & Advanced Studies* 2018 Accepted
- 14) Razia Surwania, Anuradha Pendse and Aruna K.* Optimization and partial characterization studies of alkaline protease from *Aeromonashydrophila* strain YL 17 isolated from honey sample. *Asian Journal of Biochemical and Pharmaceutical Research* 2018, 8(3):41-64

- 15) Suresh Patil and K. Aruna. Screening and partial 16 S rRNA gene sequencing of keratinase producing *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia* karuna 5 isolated from poultry waste published in conference proceedings by Review Of Research. International Multidisciplinary conference on recent trends in Library, Science, Technology, Humanities, Commerce and Management organized by Ananandibai Ravnane Arts, Commerce and Science College, Vaibhavadi, DistSindhudurg on 21 Dec 2018.
- 16) Mercy John, Aruna K* Optimization of pigment production by *Kocuria flavamajod* isolated from garden soil. Journal of Global Biosciences 8(2): 2019.
- 17) Meghana R. Gore, Darshana Raut, Aruna K* Antimicrobial and resistance reversal activity of *Pimentadivica* leaves against ESBL producing clinical isolates Journal of Microbiology, Biotechnology and Food Sciences 2018 .Communicated
- 18) Parsekar S and Aruna K* Study of effect of antimicrobial activity of betel leaves (*Piper betel*) on β -lactamase producing pathogens International Journal of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemical Research 2018 Communicated
- 19) Shraddha Yelle, Joyline Mascarenhas, Aruna K.* Detection of ESBL producing gram-negative bacteria in public drinking water sources from South Mumbai Environment & We An International Journal of Science & Technology 2018. Communicated

Workshops conducted:

- The department of Microbiology had conducted a one day workshop T.Y.B.Sc. Syllabus Revision Workshop on the 30th June, 2018 for the faculty of Microbiology across Mumbai. 59 Teachers from 29 colleges of Mumbai University attended the same.

Collaboration:

- HPTLC bio-autography on antibacterial activity of plant extracts in collaboration with Prof. Dr S. Krishnan - Department of Botany, Goa University.
- Antimicrobial studies of drug formulation against antibiotic resistant strains in collaboration with Dr Mrs Vaishali Shirsat – Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical analysis, Bombay College of Pharmacy.

Outreach programme:

Micro World Workshop

The Department of Microbiology organized one day workshop on Basics of Microbiology for school students (7th, 8th and 9th standards) on 10th March 2019 by the Department of Microbiology, Wilson College. The workshop was specifically meant for the students with a view to make the students gain in-depth knowledge in Microbiology. 60 students including teachers from 5 schools attended the workshop.

The Micro World workshop conducted by the Department of Microbiology, Wilson College was beneficial to students who attended, especially for standard 9th students as they have one topic on Introduction to Microbiology in their syllabus. This workshop has given vision to the students that they can pursue a career in Microbiology.

Diploma in Pharmaceutical Quality Control and Quality Assurance Management

The IPER in association with the Department of Microbiology had begun a 'Diploma in Pharmaceutical Quality Control and Quality Assurance Management' in academic year 2012-13.

Dr Mahesh Burande, the director of the Institute of pharmaceutical education and research, Pune., along with collaborative efforts of Dr K Aruna, head of the Microbiology department of Wilson College initiated and designed Diploma course in pharma quality control and quality assurance not just for pharmacy students but also for the microbiology students. The department has successfully completed 3 batches of this diploma course in quality control and quality assurance management. On 23rd February, 2019, the Microbiology department of Wilson College organized the ceremony to felicitate the students of the third batch at the hands of Chief Guest Sanjeev Pendharkar, Director of Vicco Laboratories. The event was graced by Dr. Mahesh Burande, Director of Institute of pharmaceutical education and research, Pune, Principal Dr Anna Pratima Nikalje, Vice Principal Dr Ashish Uzgare and head of the microbiology department, Dr K Aruna.

Prof Dr K Aruna,
Head of Dept. Microbiology, Wilson College

Batchelor of Accounting and Finance

The year began with excitement as our 1st Batch of BAF students entered in the TY final year. And BAF course had all the three classes i.e FY, SY, TY students under one roof. The TYs and the SYs welcomed the FY in the month of August.

The dept. conducted an educational visit to SEBI on 29th Aug. 2018. The students of both the class i.e., T.Y and S.Y participated in the educational visit. They really enjoyed all the information which was totally based on their syllabus. It was conducted by Mrs. Bhavana Ravikumar (Deputy Manager of SEBI) and by Advocate Mr. Rahul Kelapure from Enforcement Department.

Students gathered information and knowledge about Financial Regulators such as Securities markets, banking, Insurance and Pension. Allocation of Assets, financial plannings for better returns and its safety and liquidity. Information on Gold Exchange Traded fund. The session was conducted for almost 2 hrs.each in two different batches for S.Y and T.Y

National Stock Exchange of India: Another Educational visit to NSE only for the students of F.Y BAF was organised on 25th Sept. 2018. The Visit was syllabus based, the students for the first time got the live view of market, the information was regarding the shares and debentures given by Mr.Arvind Sawant the executive of NSE.

Students received Information on Derivative market. View of live market. How to invest in shares and debentures. The session was conducted for almost 2 hrs each in two different batches for F.Y BAF students. Almost 50 students participated and took the advantage of the Visit.

VISIT TO BSE (BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE)

The department has conducted an Educational visit to BSE on 11th Oct. 2018. The students of F.Y participated in the educational visit. The lecture was based on the syllabus.

Highlights of the session: How to invest on Mutual funds, View of live market, Detailed information about organization and its establishment. The session was conducted for almost 2 hrs. each in two different batches for F.Y BAF students. Almost 50 students participated and took the advantage of the Visit.

INVITED TALKS ONGST and NISM (SEBI): On 15th Dec 2018 the renowned chartered accountant was invited to conduct an informative session on share market. Students were greatly benefited by the most relevant and application related subject. On 5th March Mr.Pradeep had a seminar for the students on the certificate course conducted by SEBI.

Placement and Internships for the TY and SY students:

The BAF Department has organized its first Placement for the TY and SY students jointly conducted with BMS and BA (Eco). Department. It was organized by International Morgan Stanley Company. One of the Ty student Mr. Zishan Shaikh is selected and will join the company from 1st June 2019. Department provided the Internship programme to 8 to 10 students in BSE for the period of 6 to 12 months. Few students were given the internship in a Chartered Accountant firm.

INDUSTRIAL VISIT: On 1st to 8th February 2019 the students of all three classes were taken for the Industrial Visit to Jaipur, Jodhpur, Jaisalmer. We visited "Danik Bhaskar". a News Paper Printing Press and got the complete information about the number of newspaper printed per day, the type of Ink, paper, and the other dyeing materials used for printing a paper. We had a wonderful stay in Jaisalmer and Jodhpur, by enjoying typical Rajasthani food, folk dance which gave us an insight to their colourful culture.

Faculty Development Programme: Mrs Shreyaa Uzgare and Mrs Plemia Rebello attended faculty development programme. In the month of Sept. Mrs Shreyaa participated in International conference in Thakur college Kandivali.

BSE FINANCE TRAINER SESSION: On 01st March 2018 Mrs.Krupa Desai A Trainer and coach with experience of delivering customized and learning solutions in the area of finance was invited. Students got the valuable and adequate knowledge of share market and bonds.

SOCIAL CAUSE BY THE DEPARTMENT:

ON 20th December 2018 the students gathered at Worli beach to conduct the Beach clean up programme with the help of NGO Mr Chinu Kwarta.

INDUSTRIAL VISIT AT AYM SYNTEX (PALGHAR)

The SY students were taken for the industrial visit to a thread mill in palghar on 1st Nov 2018. The students got the exposure to the administration, production and accounts department of the company. The students got a wonderful experience

Faculty In The Dept: Co-ordinator Mrs.Shreyaa.A.Uzgare and Asst. Professor Mrs.Plemia Rebello. And SnehaPandey

Ms. Shreyaa Uzgare., Co-ordinator.

Bachelor Of Management Studies (BMS)

In the light of our vision - "To develop leaders with a sense of passion, responsibility and commitment", the department embarked upon the new academic year with unique and student engaging activities. The highlights of the year gone by are as follows:

I) Institutional Social Responsibility- Hope 2018

India To Lead India Literacy Project

HOPE initiative - Read India to Lead India Literacy Project was in line with the Saakshar Bharat initiative of the Government of India and The International Literacy Day celebrated globally on September 8th. Chief Guest- Honourable Education Minister Shri VinodTawde inaugurated HOPE 2018. He Released The Free Press Journal Supplement Highlighting The 11 Years Of Hope .This event featured in Free Press Journal.

On 7th Sept., 2018, the BMS team alongwith more than 3000 students from various colleges and schools undertook a mass awareness campaign on Saakshar Bharat and formed a human mosaic denoting literacy ahead of the International Literacy Day (September 8th) at Girgaum Chowpatty. This initiative created a record in THE ASIA BOOK OF RECORDS. The event was flagged off by Aakash Raj Purohit and Shaina

NC.

On 5th and 8th Sept, digital book reading sessions were conducted and educational aids were donated to street children at SALVATION ARMY AND ANGEL XPRESS FOUNDATION. Digital literacy sessions were conducted at BMC SHASTRI NAGAR SCHOOL in association with CRY. This event was supported by Hindustan Times - named the initiative "Sea of Humanity", Maharashtra Times, Mumbai Samachar, Parsi Times.

Flood Relief For Kerala

Through "HOPE Supports Kerala" Initiative, we raised financial Aid with truckload of Essential Rehabilitation Kits for Flood Relief Kerala Project on 21st Aug. 2018 through the Indian Red Cross Society. This Featured in Navbharat Times, Brihanmumbai Afternoon, Free Press Journal.

Medical Camp For Mumbai Taxi Driver Association

On July 28, 2018 organised a medical camp for the Mumbai Taxi Drivers and their families in collaboration with MUMBAI TAXI ASSOCIATION And WOCKHARDT HOSPITAL. An overwhelming response of more than 300 TAXI DRIVERSAND THEIR FAMILIES reported for the medical camp which included full body check up and tests like Blood sugar, lipid profile, ECG, PFP, DIET Consultation ,Blood pressure, gynaecology test for the lady family members. This event was supported by Navbharat Times.

Ganapati Visarjan- Chowpatty Beach Cleaning On 7th Octo. 2018 Approximately 100 Students participated.

II) CSR INITIATIVES:

Sr. No. & Date	Activity	Social Benefit	Association and Media Support
1st March 2019	Teaching importance of road safety and cleanliness to school children.	Conducted a session on road safety & basic cleanliness. 70 coloring books, 70 crayon sets and chocolates were donated.	Shree Sarvajanik Balamandir School
9th & 10th March 2019	Marketing of products manufactured by tribal people at Raigad district.	Sale of products worth Rs. 89,000/- and the entire amount has been donated to the tribals through CSA.	Center of Social Action (CSA)
3rd March 2019	Awareness campaign on personal Hygiene	Session conducted & donated 80 packets of sanitary napkins.	Ma Niketan Orphanage
5th March 2019	Personality development, education, grooming & career goals.	An interactive session was conducted with the school children and donated 5 dozens of coloring books, 13 dozens of note books, 5 dozens of crayon sets, 4 sanitary napkin packets.	Our Lady of Dolours School. Supported by PunyaNagari, Mumbai.

9th & 10th March 2019	Awareness campaign on personal hygiene, sanitation and education (Nalasopara slum) & Women's day celebration with the elderly & destitute.	1) Conducted an interactive session & donated 20 stationery kits & 20 sanitary kits. School travel expenses sponsored for one month. 2) Conducted a session & donated 11 Sanitary kits.	Slum Mission - Nalasopara & Society of our Lady of Piety, Dabul
6th to 12th March 2019	Recreational activities & Awareness campaign on the Third gender.	Conducted a session and arts & crafts & sports events. Donated 40 drawing books and 40 crayon sets.	Shivaadhar NGO and Charitable Trust
12th March 2019	A visit to an old age home.	Donated 100 adult diapers, body soaps, powder, dish washing soap, detergent. 20 kgs onions and potatoes, 7kgs garlic, & 1 meal for a day.	St. Anne's Home for the Aged
10th March 2019	Awareness campaign on good touch & bad touch & basic ethics & good manners.	Donated 40 notebooks, 20 pens, chocolates & snacks.	SPARC Night Shelter for children
9th March 2019	Women's day celebration at an old age home.	Donated 50 packets of biscuits, soft drinks & clothes.	All Saints Old Age Home
12th March 2019	A Day in the life of Human Trafficking Survivors & their families.	Conducted a session on best out of waste. Donated 20 coloring books, 20 crayon sets & sweets.	Purnata
4th March 2019	Food Donation drive & Free medical aid to the less fortunate.	1. Food donated to 250 men 120 women and 85 children by raising Rs. 25,000. 2. Medical aid given to homeless, wounded people through a free ambulance service by Grace foundation.	Grace Foundation
24th February & 18th March 2019	Awareness campaign on cleanliness & hygiene at Jalgaon district jail & a visit to an old age home.	Donated 76 packets of sanitary napkins to the inmates. Donated 17 biscuit packets, 5 dozens of fresh fruit to the old age home.	Nidhi Foundation, Shivashray Samajik Vikas Sanstha.
22nd February 2019	Sanitation and tree plantation drive	Session conducted & Planted 100 + trees for environment protection and donated 1000+ sanitary pads to 3 women's ashrams.	Bhagwan Baba Balikaashram Gram Panchayat of Ambedgaon
4th March 2019	Awareness campaign on mental health & positive well being	Session conducted & donated 1 kg milk powder, 100 biscuit packets, 200 wafer packets & 50 items of clothing.	Missionaries of Charity, Ashadan
3rd March 2019	Awareness campaign on literacy.	Session conducted & donated 80 books and 80 sets of crayons, pens, pencils, erasers, etc.	Shaikh Foundation. Supported by Bombay Press.
10th March 2019	Food Donation drive.	Donated 45 kgs of fresh fruit and food to the afflicted & underprivileged.	Roti Bank Foundation and JJ Hospital
15th March 2019	Awareness Campaign on Good & Bad touch.	Session conducted with 40 children & donated 40 Stationery kits & 40 juices boxes.	Aai Caretaker Foundation
11th & 12th Feb 2019	Fundraising and awareness campaign on AIDS	Raised funds via Homemade cupcake sale and provided meal for a day to children afflicted with AIDS.	Desire Society, Goregaon

5th Feb 2019	Certification of the hearing impaired for various courses	Raised funds through bookmark sales.	Sounds of Silence, Powai
14th Feb 2019	A visit to an old age home	Raised funds by selling confectionaries and donated 30 sanitary kits.	Little Sisters of the Poor, Andheri Supported by: BBC Marathi
2nd Feb 2019	Clothing and dairy donation drive	Donated clothing items and 132 litres of milk to the homeless shelter.	Ashadan, Byculla Supported by: Marathi Vishwa
28th Feb 2019	Awareness campaign for specially abled children	Raised funds.	Cheshire Home, Andheri
16th Feb 2019	Awareness campaign of cornea donation	Collected 150 pledge forms for cornea donation.	SadaguruMangeshdaKriya Yoga Foundation Supported by Tamil Aram News
2nd Mar 2019	Awareness campaign on leprosy and water purification	Raised funds towards the treatment of Leprosy and donated two water purifiers	1. Bombay Leprosy Home, Sion 2. All Saints Home, Mazgaon 3. Jyotivrudh Ashram, Bhayandar
25th Jan 2019	Awareness campaign on women's hygiene and leprosy	Donated 3000 sanitary napkins and raised funds towards the treatment of leprosy.	1. Catherine's Home, Andheri 2. Leprosy Home, Talasari Supported by: Loksatta News
14th Feb 2019	Awareness campaign on literacy	Donated 350 books.	Muskurahat Foundation
11th & 12th Feb 2019	Awareness campaign on the well-being and protection of stray dogs and a visit to an orphanage	Raised funds & donated 50 kgs of dog food and donated one meal to two orphanages for a day.	1. Save our strays, Andheri 2. Welfare of Dogs, Andheri 3. Sisters of Charity, Mira Road
12th Mar 2019	Awareness campaign on Down Syndrome	Raised funds & donated clothing items.	Cheshire Home, Andheri
3rd March 2019	A visit to an orphanage	Raised funds & Conducted a session.	AamchaGhar, Bhayandar

III) Intercollege Dept Fest- Adorea 2018-Flix

The Wilson College BMS Department organized it's 15th edition of annual inter collegiate Festival, Adorea 2018, from 18th - 20th December, 2018.

The Inauguration was presided by Chairman- Rt. Rev. Bishop Patole, Principal- Mrs. Anna Pratima Nikalje, Bollywood Actor and Model- Mr.Freddy Daruwala, a Bollywood actor and Mr. Reuel Benedict, International Music Director our very own Wilson BMS Alumnus.

The theme this year was Flix which made the three days filled with fun, interesting and relatable to everyone. Our title sponsor - Air O Water, powered by Trippy Tee and co powered by T- closet, in association with 9xM and Red Fm 93.5 added colour to the efforts of students.

With over 30 events across cultural, sports, management and fine arts Adorea - Flix not only celebrated the fictional world with immensely interesting and competitive environment but also gave the students a platform to both, explore their interests and display their skills.

Adorea had a good number of famous Bollywood celebrities to judge the energetic performances of teams.

On day one, Viraj Gehlani a famous comedian, two great dancers, Nidhi Kumar and Neeraj Yadav, along with the Chief Guest of the day Mr.Feroz Khan judged the Stand up Comedy event and the Dance event respectively. The evening was filled with a lot of energy during DJ Madoc's concert.

On day two, Rohan Hingorani, Abhishek Kapur, Aashna Khan, Shivam Babbar, Smiriti Kalra, Gia Manek, Jia Mustafa,

EshaKansara, Shasha Tirupati judged the various cultural events.

On day three, we had Parul Chaudhary, Akash Chaudhary and Scarlett Rose. The evening became more enthralling with the presence of Chief Guest Ms Zareen Khan, famous Bollywood Actress and Mr.Sahil Khan who is a well known global Fitness Icon.

This year as the Wilson BMS Department celebrated the 15th edition of ADOREA, the entire team was filled with gratitude to receive so much love and support from colleges across Mumbai. It wouldn't have been possible without our Co-ordinator Dr. Zuleika Homavazir who appreciated the talents and hard work of the students and had a Chief role to play behind Adorea - Flix being grand and a successful fest.

IV) Academic Result Of The Department

Class- Semester	No. of students appeared	Pass %
TYBMS- Sem V	137	92.7%
SYBMS- Sem III	184	81.5%
FYBMS- Sem I	166	76.5%

V) Internships 2018

Appx. 85% of our TYBMS students bagged their summer internships this year. Post their internship, they are guided to undertake drafting of the project as per University mandate and submit the same for vivas. The names of the companies where our students bagged internship this year:

Unsource Pharma Pvt. Ltd., Camphire, DDB Mudra, Food Festa - Burrp, Zygia Technologies Pvt Ltd., Diksha Enterprises, London Aromatics, Talent Stock Solutions, Morgan Stanley, IS Sayyad&Co. Chartered Accountant, Bawaadam & Co., Essence perfumerie company, Payso Fintech Pvt. Ltd., Morgan Stanley Advantage Services Pvt. Ltd., Money Works Financial Advisors, Bindass Jobs, Youth Incorporation, Bio Chemical and Synthetic products Ltd., Rangshalaka, Perfect Tools, Swarg gold touch limited,

Amit Enterprises, Mentoria Pvt.Ltd., Mumbai Lifestyle, B.N Kedia & CO., Kings United Kingdom of Art, Avocation Educational Services Pvt. Ltd., NSD Expo, Jet Freight And Logistics Pvt. Ltd., Interfreight Forwarders Pvt. Ltd, Manisha Printers, Tata Motors Ltd., Pranav Associates, HelpAge India, Bank of Maharashtra, Viacom 18, Jaikumar Real Estate's Pvt. Ltd., Tata International Ltd., Chalk Ideas, Sacom Mediaworks, Royal Group Constructions Pvt.ltd, Alluminum Concepts, Mantra, Inditex Trend, Traaventure, Triumphsys, T Station Pvt. Ltd., Tell-up, I-Tech Computer Education Ltd, ASM Hospitality, R.S. Enterprises, Share Khan Ltd., Ajanta Pharma Ltd., Happiness stores, Times Internet, Zomato, AU Small Finance Bank Limited, D.E Horizon Travels, Grainnotch Industries, Grey Cell Motors, Premium GramudyogSewaSanstan, Mithila Education Welfare Society, 4 Minute Mile Marketing Service Private Ltd., IndiaNivesh, Align Components Pvt. Ltd., Ashok Construction Company., Arifa Exports, Neelam Appliance Pvt. Ltd., Tirupatilmpex, Perusal Global, Mentoria, AIESEC, FoodiLoo, Indian International Model United Nations, Diksha Enterprise, MiiMobileApp, Bose Motors, ITALTINTO PvtLtd., Sansui and Kelvinator Ltd., Sadguru Enterprises, Square Capital Pvt. Ltd., TCR Events, Marvelous Metals, The Journey King, J D Tours and Travels, Network18, Planning Guru, Maharaja Shree Umaid Mills Ltd., ITALTINTO Pvt. Ltd., Swaroop Jain & Co., Bonanza Portfolio Ltd., Enikart.com, Fine Chem, HemantBalekar& Co., Devomark Enterprises Pvt. Ltd., Reliance Securities, AA Brothers, Bipin Synthetics Pvt. Ltd., Virtue Online Services Pvt. Ltd., Health India Insurance Services Ltd., Qcon Solutions, Infinity Cars, Morgan Stanley, Bay side Media Pvt. Ltd., Rajalakshmy Packaging Pvt. Ltd., Cosmo Films Ltd, Himalaya collection, Padmavati Chains Pvt. Ltd., Sethia Realtors, HSD & Co., Continental Warehousing, Offers Kraft, Sun Packaging, Yagerbomb Media Pvt. Ltd., Madhur Banquets, ARVProductions Pvt. Ltd., Teejadeep Developers, Yadnya Associates, Krishna Dyes and Moulds,

VI) CAMPUS PLACEMENTS 2018

The following TYBMS students have bagged their pre-placement offers:

Company Name	Role Offered	No. of Students Selected	Name of Students Selected
Morgan Stanley	Full Time Analysts Operations	8	- Shivani Bachan, - Shivansh Srivastava, - Zishan Shaikh, - Rohita Thakur, - Nausheen Ansari, - Priyanka Jadon, - Nidhi Vasudev, -Daniella Dsouza

Morgan Stanley	Full Time Analysts Legal & Compliance	2	-Simone Monteiro, -Amanda Dourado
Piramal	Analyst Sales	2	-Shabnam Ujjainwala, -Sanika Jadhav

VII) GUEST LECTURES & SEMINARS ORGANISED:

Date	Name of the Speaker	Company/ Institution	Designation	Topic of Discussion	Participants
27 th June '18	Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	Wilson College	BMS Coordinator	Resume Writing & Personality Development	TYBMS/TYBMM/TYBAF/TYBSC.IT./TYBSC/TYBA Appx.300
27 th June '18	Dr. Malcolm Homavazir	ISME	Associate Director	Importance of Business Skills	TYBMS/TYBMM/TYBAF/TYBSC.IT./TYBSC/TYBA Appx.300
27 th June '18	Mr.Regan Homavazir	Darashaw& Co.	Senior Vice President	Business Interviews	TYBMS/TYBMM/TYBAF/TYBSC.IT./TYBSC/TYBA Appx.300
21 st July '18	Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	Wilson College	BMS Coordinator	SYBMS & TYBMS PTM	SY & TYBMS Parents Appx. 140
22 nd July '18	Shaina NC	BJP	BJP Spokesperson	Yoga By The Bay	FYBMS Appx.70
1 st August '18	Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	Wilson College	BMS Coordinator	FYBMS Orientation Program	FYBMS Appx. 160
21 st Sept '18	Mr. AnoySengupta	IDP	Marketing Head	UK, U.S. and Canadian Studies	FY/SY/TYBMS Appx.80
29 th Sept'18	Ms. Anika Sharma		Famous Blogger	E Marketing	FY/SYBMS Appx.140
10 th Oct '18	Mr. Pawandeep Singh, Ms. Sabrina Khatri, Mr. Dhruv Sanghvi	Morgan Stanley	Vice President Operations, Manager HR, Analyst Operations	Pre Placement Talk	SY/TYBMS Appx.150
10 th Jan '19	Ms. Sakshi	CASI GLOBAL NEW YORK	Manager	Online Global Certifications	FY/SY/TYBMS Appx.120
15 th Jan '19	Mr. Karan Shah	EDWISE	Associate	Study abroad prospects	FY/SYBMS Appx.100
15 th Jan '19	Ms. Darshana Jain	IIDE	Associate	Best Universities Abroad	FY/SYBMS Appx.100
22 nd Jan '19	Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	Wilson College	BMS Coordinator	Annual Result Declaration SYBMS	SYBMS Appx.165
22 nd Jan '19	Dr. SiddharthLashkar	The Tata Memorial Hospital	Oncologist	Cancer awareness and research	FY/SY/TYBMS Appx.150
3 rd Feb'19	Mr. Kriplani	Terry Fox India Head	Head	Terry Fox run	FY/SY/TYBMS Appx.150
16 th Feb '19	Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	Wilson College	BMS Coordinator	Annual Result Declaration FYBMS	FYBMS Appx.180

25 th , 26 th & 28 th Feb '19	Mr. Krishna Warriar	Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged (XRCVC).	Consultant	Antarchakshu® 2.0- The Eye Within. Diversity Awareness Workshop	FY/SY/TYBMS Appx.300
11 th March '19	MomtchilKovatchev	Hult International Business School	Associate Professor	Dream job Mapping	FY/SYBMS Appx.200
15 th March '19	Ms. Sabrina Khatri	Morgan Stanley	Manager – HR	Resume Writing	FY/SY BMS Appx.135

VIII) INDUSTRIAL VISITS

FYBMS students visited two production units on 26th and 27th February 2019:

- Alok Industries, Textile Manufacturing Unit
- Lokmat, Newspaper Manufacturing Unit

SYBMS students visited two production units on 28th February 2019:

- Sulla Vines, Manufacturing Unit
- Gowardhan, Dairy Products Manufacturing Unit

TYBMS students visited a production unit on 29th March 2019.

- Gowardhan, Dairy Products Manufacturing Unit

Students studied the manufacturing process, the different departments at factory level, production policies and procedures. Their interaction with Top Management Executives at the factories complemented their class room learning process.

IX) PARTICIPATION IN INTER-COLLEGE COMPETITIONS

BMS Students participated in the following competitions and won the following awards:

1. Joule 2018 - KC College - Best Contingent Leader
2. Tsunami - LalaLajpatrai College - 2nd Runner up
3. Mirage - NK College - Winners
4. Taalash - Jai Hind College - 1st Runner up
5. Yountre - Sydenham College - Winners
6. Wilson College Annual Sports Day
Winners in: 100m-Silver, 400m-Silver, 200m-bronze, Long Jump-Silver, Javelin Throw-Gold, 100m- Bronze, Relay mix.

Participation in other College Competitions:

1. Pillai College, Young Entrepreneur Awards
2. ISME College, Illenium
3. Business Simulation Competition (January 2019)

X) THE TERRY FOX RUN 2018

A BMS & TERRY FOX INDIA COMMITTEE COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVE FOR CANCER AWARENESS

The 21st edition of the Terry Fox Run was organised by the Terry Fox (India) Committee on February 9, 2019 initiating from the Nariman Point through the Marine Drive to the Brabourne Stadium covering a distance of 2.5 kms.

The run was flagged off in the presence of Canadian Consulate General Ms. Annie Dube and Global Yoga Guru Mr. Mickey Mehta; Covenener, Terry Fox India Committee GulKriplani, Members of the Committee, Representatives from the Tata Memorial Hospital and Principals of leading educational institutions of the city. Our Principal Dr. Annie Pratima Nikalje was a special guest at the event. The Chief guest and patron of the event Mrs. AmrutaFadnavis congratulated and feliciated the team for their efforts in supporting cancer research at Tata Memorial Hospital.

The Terry Fox Run is organised every year in an attempt to raise awareness about cancer and to elevate funds towards cancer research with a hope to defeat the deadly illness and save lives.

This year, approximately 4,500 students ran for the cause. Over 300 student volunteers headed by the core Wilson BMS Execution Committee managed the execution of the event.

These student volunteers played a pivotal role in the success of the run. Right from initial stages of inviting schools and colleges, creating awareness on the cancer, raising funds for cancer research, and donating towards the Tata Memorial

Hospital to planning and executing the run on the day, truly proved to be the backbone of the event.

The team was overjoyed by the success of the event and quoted "Each step towards the Terry Fox Run is a step towards children going home cancer free". The "Marathon of Hope" concluded with an ode to cancer survivors by appreciating the presence of blind and cancer stricken children. All Heads of Institution and all Committee members were appreciated for all their help and support to fulfill the legendary Terry Fox's dream of a cancer free world.

XI) INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATIONS – MARCH 2019

- A) Students attended an interactive session with the Women's wing of the Indian Army 'EmeNaari Shakti Motorcycle Expedition' group on 3rd Dec 2018. Students were thrilled to interact with six women officers of the Indian army who shared their personal and professional experiences and tribulations with the young minds.
- B) The BMS dept. celebrated the International Women's Month in association with Morgan Stanley on 15th

March with a packed audience in the AV room. The distinguished panel of speakers from Morgan Stanley included:

- Ms. RupalThakkar (Executive Director, Operations)
- Ms. Sabrina Khatri (Manager – HR)
- Mr. DhruvSanghvi (Analyst)

During this networking session the students had the opportunity to hear first-hand from recent graduates and senior representatives about working at Morgan Stanley and why they believe their culture is a real differentiator. The event highlights included Overview of business at Morgan Stanley, understanding Morgan Stanley's culture and importance of a diverse and inclusive work force, prominent women business leaders, distinguished breakdown of an Interview and discussion of tricky interview questions, discussion of support to woman employees of Morgan Stanley, testimonials from past BMS alumni who are currently working with Morgan Stanley. The event ended with distribution of Morgan Stanley branded goodies to winners of number of activity games played during the session.

XII) WORKSHOPS ATTENDED:

Attended By	Name of the Workshop	Organized By	Date
Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	Flipped Classroom	IQAC, Wilson College	22 nd October, 2018
	Qualitative Publications – A Road- map	IQAC& Research Committee, Wilson College	5 th April 2018
	DICE- Design, Innovation, Creativity & EntrepreneurshipBootcamp	ISME	October 2018

XIII) RESEARCH PAPERS :

Author& Presented By	Title of Research Paper	Name of Research Conference	Organized By & Date	Award
Dr. Zuleika Homavazir	The Impact of E-learning on Learner's Intended Outcomes and Learner's Employability in India	16th International Commerce & Management Conference on "Global Economy, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code	University of Mumbai. 4 th and 5 th October, 2018.	Best Research Paper Award
	Temporal and Spatial Statistics On E-Learning Education In India	15th International Commerce & Management Conference on "Global Economy, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code	University of Mumbai. 18 th and 19 th January, 2018.	Outstanding Research Award
	Impact of Disruptive Technologies on Higher Education	One Day Interdisciplinary Conference on sustaining Quality: NAAC New Guidelines, 2017	RamanandArya DAV College 17 th February, 2018	SharayuPrakashan – UGC listed peer reviewed journal of Management Research 'Management Guru' with ISSN 2319-2429.

XIV) AWARDS WON BY DR. ZULEIKA HOMAVAZIR

- 1) "Community Leader Award" by PWD Government of Maharashtra, MMVD, CASI Global & CSR Diary on 22nd March, 2019 in Mumbai.
- 2) "Women Educationist Visionary of the Year" organized by Pride of Indian Education Awards at Constitution Club of India, New Delhi on 19th January, 2019.
- 3) Award for Outstanding Research Paper at the Grand Valedictory Function of 16th International Commerce & Management Conference on "Global Economy, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code" on 5th October 2018 by Dr. VivekDeolankar - Dean, Department of Commerce, University of Mumbai.
- 4) The University of Mumbai conferred a plaque of Citation in appreciation for Research, Social initiatives and Service to Student Community, presented by Dr. VivekDeolankar - Dean, Department of Commerce, University of Mumbai on 5th October 2018.
- 5) The Inspiring Leader of the Year Award by BJP Spokesperson, Advisor, Government of Maharashtra, Mrs. ShwetaShalini at The Future Woman Leader Summit & Awards 2018, Mumbai on 23rd November 2018. Award For India's Eminent Educationist & Management Professor presented by India Education Awards 2018. Women of the Future Award 2018 presented by WOTFA Awards in Jaipur on 15th September 2018. Felicitated by Indian Red Cross Society, Maharashtra State Branch, for "HOPE Supports Kerala" Initiative. Raised financial Aid with truckload of essential rehabilitation kits for Flood Relief Kerala Project on 21st August 2018.

*Dr. Zuleika Homavazir
Coordinator, BMS Department*

BMM DEPARTMENT

Polaris- The annual BMM Department festival

The BMM department activities begin with the inter collegiate departmental fest Polaris- organized by the SYBMM batch on 31st August and 1st September 2018. This year's theme for Polaris was 'Polaris 2k Beyond –Samayke Pare 'which implicated to go out of the world and call everyone from far and wide for the grand celebration of Polaris .This year the mascot Poly celebrated her 10th birthday. The hard work of the students of the SYBMM batch with the support of TY and

FY students paid off as Polaris 2018 was widely appreciated. 'Polaris 2k Beyond –Samayke Pare was brought to light by the media as the organising team made sure every event was profoundly unique.

Guest Lectures/Workshops

The academic year starts with a series of guest lectures conducted throughout the week on different fields of life, which thrilled the students to attend the lectures regularly. While there was a lot of enthusiasm involved with Polaris as it gave a kick start to the upcoming year, the BMM department kept the enthusiasm going with educational workshops and seminars. A series of guest lectures were conducted to bridge the gap between the theory and application. A workshop on the art of storytelling was conducted by Mr. Krishna Warriar (Professor, IIT Bombay) who explained the complexities of writing different forms of media thus giving an insight to the students about the media industry as a whole. Another interesting guest lecture was conducted by Prof Sudhakar Solomonraj titled- 'Dangers of Nuclear War, Creating Conditions for Peace. Ms. Richa Vashita conducted a workshop on "Reporting on LGBTQ Issues". BMM students actively participated in the Seminar and film screening of 'Jewish Refugees from Arab Countries 'in association with Consulate general of Israel. A workshop was organised on 'Digital verification 'and was conducted by Ms.Kanchan Kaur (Dean , IJNM). This workshop taught the students to understand how to verify content, including analysis of sources, corroboration and visual verification through a number of real world examples. BMM department took the initiative for the digital screening of *Pariksha Pe Charcha 2.0*. More than 100 students along with the teachers joined the live telecast.

The student's creativity and diligence was tested through innovative projects that required them to perform plays, write a novel, interview politicians, and make short films and documentaries. The studies worked on various live projects with the visiting faculty that helped them get experience of the actual media industry. TY BMM students steered social awareness campaign throughout the month of September on various social causes. The social causes were taken up to spread awareness, share happiness and create understanding amongst masses.

Other intercollegiate media festivals

Other than the academics where students were found doing their best, the BMM students did not fail to let their department down as there were a number of achievements

in various intercollegiate festivals. Students were awarded with trophies from various colleges for events such as fashion shows, videography, radio jockeying, dance, band etc. Wilson BMM bagged the BEST COLLEGE award for *Mediatainment* fest. The departments showed its talent in **Cortokino** fest and stood as the BEST CONTINGENT. The BMM students also actively participated in the workforce team with Ole 2018 to make it a success.

Teacher Activities

Ms. Bincy A Koshy attended "Faculty Training Program" conducted at KC College in association with BOS in Mass media. Ms Bincy A Koshy is actively participating in Syllabus revision committee of BMM BOS in Mumbai university. Mr Sudhir Shetty shared a chapter "India's Role in the Conservation of Tibetan River Systems" in the book titled *Act East Policy of NDA II and Primary Goals* edited by PM Kamath. Ms Debbie James attended 'Research workshop in English Literature' at JhunJhunwala college.

The Industrial Visits

The visit to Sikkim- Darjeeling was accompanied by Ms. Bincy A Koshy and Mr. Sudhir Shetty. The students were privileged to interact with various national and regional journalists to get an insight of issues concerning the Northeast. They were also introduced to the tradition, culture and lifestyle patterns through various interactions with the locals from Sikkim and Darjeeling. They visited several museums and monasteries to learn about Tibetan culture and practices of Buddhism. They were astounded by the reasons behind the growing rate of suicides in Sikkim as disclosed by a renowned researcher. The students were also exposed to the struggles of the 'Gorkhaland Movement' through interactions with leaders. This trip left an undying impression of the uniqueness and fierceness of the Northeast.

The college toppers at the university board exams of TYBMM

1. Ms Yashasree Samant for TY Advertising (2018)
2. Mr Somyajit Sarkar for TY Journalism (2018)

Ms. Bincy A. Koshy
Coordinator, BMM Department



Silver Salver presented to Dr. Wilson by Citizens of Bombay

Bharati Kaddi,
TYBA



Hindi Cinema and Nation Making

(Nehru Eassy Competition 1st Prize)

Bombay and Cinema are synonyms! Cinema has not been given its rightful due in the important role it has played in nation making. Early cinema is a wonderful blend of both, mythology and nation building aspirations. One is immediately reminded of DadasahebPhalke and V. Shantaram, two legendary film makers that remain an enigma even today.

DundirajGovindPhalke (1870-1944) is considered as the father of Indian cinema. Central in Phalke's career as a filmmaker was his fervent belief in the nationalistic philosophy of Swadeshi, which advocated that Indians should take charge of their own economy in future independence. He aimed at implanting a new value system in each of the individuals in the society. His first feature film was Raja Harishchandra . The main theme of the film was moral values. Throughout the film king Harishchandra's conduct is put to test but in the end everything he had lost is given back to him because of his moral values. The film was widely acclaimed by one and all and proved to be a great success. Another feature film of DadasahebPhalke is Lanka Dahan. The central theme of this film was victory of good over evil. Again the purpose behind this film was to ingrain this central idea in the psyche of Indians to fill them with courage to fight the evil British Raj.

V. Shantaram, the legendary film maker made mythological films like 'Ayodhyecha Raja' (1932), 'AmritManthan' (1934), 'Dharmatma' (1935) and 'Amarjyoti' (1936). Shantaram, fondly known as Anna saheb, had an illustrious career as a filmmaker for almost six decades. He was one of the early filmmakers to realize the efficacy of the film medium as an instrument of social change and used it successfully to advocate humanism on one hand and expose bigotry and injustice on the other. Shantaram took up stories from the past he used caste system, religious bigotry and women rights as parables to highlight contemporary situations. His film 'AmritManthan' opposed the senseless violence of Hindu rituals. 'Dharmatma' dealt with Brahminical orthodoxy and caste system. Originally titled 'Mahatma', the film was

banned by the colonial censor on the ground that it treated a sacred subject irrelevantly and dealt with controversial politics. 'Amarjyoti' was an allegory on the oppression of women in which the protagonist seek revenge. It could perhaps be called the first women liberation film in India. Because of strict political censorship, filmmakers avoided direct nationalist themes, but often showed the inclination incidentally and subtly. For instance some film makers showed their affiliation to the national struggle by showing the portraits of Gandhi, Nehru, Rajaji or Netaji and occasionally Karl Marx.

The era must have been magical! suddenly the gods and godlike men of mythology came to overwhelming visible life! Stories taken from the great Hindu epics dramatizing personal sacrifice for duty, was a stupendous public success. Previously the Hindus had seen their Trinity and pantheon in their minds and images of earth and stone. Now they saw them walking setting offenders aflame with a burning look, making dead come alive appearing out of and vanishing into nowhere. Previously the country of the gods had existed only in the mind's eye, sustained by a network of myths, legends and static visual representations spawned by the traditional epics and the legendary repositories of history and religion called puranacas. The passionate love and hate of the gods had been seen as play evoked by the devotee in his or her imagination. Now suddenly these imagined scenes were there on the screen as reality! Here was the god Harishchandra (of Mahabharata) walking barefoot through the brambles, giving away his son and wife for the sake of charity. There was Rama (from the Ramayana) walking with Sita in dandakaranya forest. Inside the cinema theatre, the devout respectfully took off their shoes and sat with piously folded hands, some even threw offerings at the screen. Cinema is truly a great binder of communities and nations. Hindi cinema continues to be consumed by people across the world. Can it once again become a force to counter the evils of war, poverty and discrimination?

(2019 declared The Year Of Indigenous Languages by UN)

**“When people preserve their language,
They preserve their identity.”**

Shrutika Wadkar
FYBA



Language is the expression of our culture and our land. We cannot have one without the other. We cannot describe our culture and land if we do not have languages and 'Indigenous languages' are an indispensable cultural legacy without which all forms of human interaction cannot be carried out.

National development is the development of individuals in a nation. Development indices such as internal cohesion, unity, economic wellbeing and citizens' participation in governance are promoted through indigenous languages.

Attempting to draw attention to the critical loss of indigenous languages, the UN has proclaimed 2019 as the International Year of Indigenous Languages. It is said that there are a little over 7000 languages spoken in the world today, but approximately 600 languages have disappeared in the last century and that one language disappears every 2 weeks. While some languages which are considered endangered still have thousands of speakers trying to keep them alive, other languages have become confined to single villages and still others to a single person. For example, the indigenous language of Chile – Yagan, has only one remaining native speaker, another example is the language Ainu which has about ten native speakers which critically endangers the language.

This makes us realise how important it is to draw attention to the critical loss of indigenous languages and more importantly the urgent need to preserve, revitalize and promote them and take further steps on urgent basis, both at the national and international levels.

Language loss is experienced in India, not just by the minor languages but also by major languages, that have long literary traditions and a rich heritage of imaginative and philosophical writings, like Marathi, Gujarati, Kannada and Oriya, as the younger generation has little or no contact with the written heritage of these languages.

Today one notices in India and in other Asian and African countries, an overpowering desire among parents to educate their children through the medium of English, French or Spanish, hoping that these languages will provide a certain visibility to children in the international market of

productive labour when they grow up. When a child joins a school which instructs in an Indian language, it is seen as an act of social disadvantage. This may pose as a threat to the promotion and preservation of indigenous languages. It is a daunting task and cannot be accomplished merely by initiating structural changes in our education system.

The conservation or preservation of languages is significantly different from the preservation of monuments. As any student of linguistics would know that languages are social systems and that they get impacted by all other contextual, social, political, economic development. Preservation of languages is preservation of a speech community which shoulders the responsibility of keeping the language alive and in circulation.

The first step in the preservation of language is to increase literacy. The more people can read and write, the more willing they will be to read and write within their own language. The increase of literacy leads to documentation of the language not only in written form but also in electronic form via computers; there are many different projects towards preserving these languages.

Once a language is determined to be endangered there are three steps that can be taken in order to stabilize the language. The first is language documentation which consists of writing and audio-visual recording of grammar, vocabulary and oral traditions. The second step is language revitalization, a process through which a language community through educational and political means attempt to increase the number of active speakers of the endangered language. The third measure is language maintenance wherein required support is given to languages for their survival to be protected from outsiders who can ultimately affect the number of speakers of language. Also techniques like recording oral history can be used to preserve 'spoken language'.

Indigenous languages keep people connected to culture and this strengthens feelings of pride and self worth. Thus it is very important to keep our languages alive so that they do not go unnoticed.

The creation of texts, dictionaries and grammars in declining languages will be of use; documentation and archiving will be

of some help , but if the languages are to survive, the speech communities need to be given the dignity and respect they deserve. Because it takes centuries for a community to create a language, all languages created by human communities are our collective cultural heritage. Therefore it is our collective responsibility to ensure that indigenous languages do not face the global genocide a bitter reality of our time.

Language is the expression of ideas, and if the people of a country cannot preserve their language, they are bound to lose their identity.

Poem dedicated to all my Women friends

Ms. Sasmita Dongare.

Alumnus and *Visiting Faculty,*
BMS and BAF department.



I salute you Women of Today.
For thy glory now and throughout history .
You have risen above bitter, twisted lies.
And still with withered wings you have the determination to fly.
You have risen like the tides with the suns and moons.
And on sand you carved hopes springing high.
You have risen with beauty and sacrifice as a mother, a sister, a wife, a daughter, a friend .
Each time justifying, each role so divine.
You have risen with pride ...when you were alone ,so broken .
And still You never forgot to wear that smile which hid your tear
You have risenwhen doubted....when hated ...when lusted with those hungry looks.
But still you stood silent and patient and fought with that power within you.
You have risen... despite your trials, tribulations, frustrations, anguish, joy and sorrow.
And still you conquered the world with your strength, your passion and love.
(I salute every womenwho has risen and fought back throughout history ... Proud to be the Women Power... Lets all celebrate womanhood.)

A Poem written and dedicated to all my Women friends

“Waiting for Acche Din...”

- Hamza Shaikh.
FYBA



“ Those who can make you believe in absurdities can make you commit atrocities “
- Voltaire , French Thinker

The newspaper reports disturb me! In the past few years there has been significant changes in our society . To begin with in the 2014 Loksabha elections the UPA (Congress) was miserably defeated and the NDA (BJP) with a thumping 336 seats took over the reins of the country . However the promises made by the NDA to provide employment , economic development and equal opportunity to all citizens are nowhere to be seen . Instead instances of violence under the current regime has increased exceptionally . The violence by cow vigilantes (gau rakshaks) are all time high and the failure of the government machinery to tackle the menace has resulted in fear in the hearts of minorities . The extreme right wing has not only resorted to gau raksha but also to other fanatical elements like love jihad and ghar wapsi .

There is a pattern behind the violence which is being perpetuated . In most of the cases the victims come from lower economic and social backgrounds and are engaged in menial jobs . The victims have no educational background and most of them are unaware of their own rights and privileges. The violent attack not only harm the victims physically but also have an immense effect on their mental health with many of them living with the scars of their traumatic experience. Violence has been used by the powerful to fulfill their economic and political gains and now it has become very essential to control and minimize such incidents which have become rampant in our society. If violence is not controlled it may result in destruction of our democratic ethos and multi cultural society.

In a democracy the role of people is very important however we have failed to fulfill our roles collectively resulting in prevailing chaos. As citizens we need to be aware and have a sense of responsibility towards our country but we have been negligent in our duties which has made easier for successive governments to manipulate and infringe our rights. The present government has not taken any concrete

steps to keep in check the menace of mob lynching. Instead of being vocal and criticizing the acts of barbarity, the government has been mild in their criticism of the extreme right wing. Although there has been an amendment in the SC/ST Act wherein a person accused of insulting or hurting dalit is barred from anticipatory bail it is not enough assurance for a community which has been ostracized by using the means of violence. Our own Prime Minister who is very rhetorical, hasn't spoken much about the unfortunate incidents of violence which are happening on a regular basis. It is very crucial to understand the agony of the marginalized communities rather than subjugating them to atrocities. We need to stand in solitary with them and fight social injustices collectively. Who is to be blamed? Who is to restore sanity and faith in democracy? These and many questions trouble me. I was reminded of this couplet by Urdu poet Habib Jalib when I folded the newspaper. which is very relevant here!

“ Mohabbat goliyon se bo rahe ho ,
Watan ka chehra khon se dho rahe ho ,
Gumaan tumko hai rasta katt raha hai ,
Yaqeen mujhko hai ki manzil kho rahe ho . ”

Bullets you sow instead of love ,
Our homeland you wash with blood ,
You imagine you're showing the way ,
But I believe you've gone astray .

Validation of Violence Through Mythology

Ayush Shrivastava
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Not very differently from the contemporary world, the world of mythology, be it Indian or western, it has been ridden with stories of war and other acts of violence. The Mahabharata and the Ramayana have been integral parts of a rather elaborate mythological framework. Fact or fiction, either way with the right production, they could give Game Of Thrones a run for its money. Both these texts besides being a nightmare as far as the feminist, disability and caste issues are concerned, they commonly propose a central device often linked with the notion of justice, righteousness and sacrifice, that is, violence. Violence serves as the only conflict resolving tool. The Bhagavadgita mentions non-violence (ahimsa) as part of a list of virtues that comprise knowledge (jñana). But

the epic is quite emphatic in asserting that an excess of a predilection for non-violence is disastrous for a king. Bhishma warns the vacillating Yudhishtira of too much compassion: “Nothing great can be achieved through pure compassion. Further, people do not hold you in much respect for being gentle, self-controlled and excessively noble and righteous; a compassionate and righteous eunuch...The behavior you want to follow is not the behavior of kings.” The Pandavas put their wife on the line for a game of dice, lose her and then embark on a “Dharmayuddha” to avenge her honour. As ironic as it sounds these wars are defended as being just wars by Hindu followers. Is there something like a just war? All wars would seem like just as all explain their acts of violence as acts self defense or justice. Woudnt every war be “just war”? The Syrian civil war, Hitler's invasion of Europe, America's attack on Afghanistan and Iraq, jihad, moblynchings, all can be just wars!.

Looking at the characters of both these texts, especially the Mahabharata through Engels' lens it can be deduced that not only do they essentialize human beings as violent but also implicitly make it a virtue. Engagement with mythology requires an interpretation that promotes peace, unconditional love and respect for all. That is the need of the hour!

Ruminations on Death and Suicide

(Written on the occasion of World suicide prevention day – 10th September)

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I'll agree that life isn't always beautiful, but death isn't either. People who contemplate suicide sometimes find some kind of dark beauty in death. For them death may look like the suitable escape but it's all a matter of time before realization hits them; the realization that death is nothing but the illusion of an evil saviour from the ugly and horrible parts of life!

The people who want death are usually fighters who have struggled a lot and lost a lot. But please understand that death is just another loss; loss of the knowledge of all things known, loss of all control on your own life and every other life you've ever impacted. It's the loss of the ability to make a difference; loss of being able to be seen, to be heard, to be

felt, to be held, to be understood, to be loved and all the little things that hold so much power. Little things like walking barefoot on grass or sand or even on rough and textured bricks. The pleasure of gulping down cold water after taking shelter from the blazing afternoon sun or sipping warm tea in freezing weather, squinting at the warm morning sunlight that hits your face and the satisfying crackling of your bones as you stretch or happily collapsing and curling up on bed after a long day.

Death means not being able to wake up on a cold winter morning and complain about having to leave behind your cosy sheets and pillows. Death means not being able to splash that biting cold yet refreshing water that trickles down your face first thing after stumbling out of bed. Death means not being able to take that first sip of strong coffee that helps you open your eyes properly. Death means never getting the chance to graduate from college, never getting married to someone you love or even exploring the possibility of love, never holding your new born baby for the first time. It means never again smelling the aroma of flowers or of mouth-watering food, never again hearing the birds chirp or bobbing your head up and down to your favourite music, never again looking at the sunrise or the twinkling of the innumerable stars in the night sky, never again reading an amazing book that gives you goosebumps. Death will take away from you the power that you have, take away the little unique light that shines from your soul and makes a difference to so many other souls. Think about all the lives you have yet to touch, the brilliant thoughts yet to come, the friendships yet to be made, and the adventures yet to be experienced.

Life in any form is the most beautiful thing anyone will ever witness, whereas death? Death might fascinate people during certain dark phases of life. But death isn't beautiful.

It isn't beautiful when it is staring at you from up close. It is saying goodbye to someone who cannot hear you. It is finding someone writhing in pain and clinging on to them as if your grasp will hold back the life that is slipping out of their body. It is begging someone to open their eyes for the last time, for another chance to hear them say that they love you, another chance to thank them.

What is to be done when life seems to be a cipher? You can always start again. You can always grow again. Start with the smallest things if you have to. Change your diet. Clean out your social media. Create a new playlist and develop a new taste for different music or hobbies. Look for a new therapist

if you need one. Start socializing with new people, study or work in a new city. Choose a new style, new routine and purge the outdated and stagnant parts of you. If you aren't satisfied with the life you're living, don't like where you're, but don't know what to do about it? Try starting again!

It's the Twenty First century????!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

-Rushda Shamsi,
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It's the twenty first century but still one hundred seventeen million girls around the world demographically go "missing" due to female infanticide.

Young girls are still gifted kitchen sets

Crying is still deemed to be a girly thing

Women are still regarded to belong in the kitchen

Women are still paid lesser than their Male counterparts

Women have to still think twice before going out alone at night

It is still considered that women can't drive

It's the twenty first century but Meghan Markle will still be known as Prince Harry's 'Wife'

Look at the Queen!

- Sarah Fernandes,
SYJC (Arts)



Those days of anxiety,

Those days of fear

They still watch me

And laugh at my tears.

My soul was once tired,
So weary and incomplete

But now, I've aspired

To become a better version of me.

What once used to hurt me

Is now nothing but the past

I'm not who I used to be,

It feels good to be free, at last.

Your words were daggers
They hurt me straight in my heart,
But now I am not the same damsel,
There's a new life I have to start.

What once hurt me
Is no longer what breaks me down
Because now I am finally free,
Look at ME, the queen with her shining crown!

Just Another Night

- Tanvi Naik
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Yesterday, when I cried myself to sleep
The muffled cries
Didn't reach any ears.
The tears dried down soon enough
To be seen by anyone.
The red eyes were explained as
Just another sleepless night.
Nothing was wrong.
"It is just in my head."
It echoed.
I wondered why people
Just pretended to see on the surface.
What would really happen if they
Just saw with their eyes open
For just one day?
The vision of neglect,
And societal norms was too bright.
They couldn't see with all the righteousness
Blurring their eyes.
And I couldn't talk.

CANCER

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Her bones are weak, her hair is gone.
She tries, but fails to stay strong.
Her eyes have sunk, her face has lost its color,
But she still hangs on, day after another.
She tries to walk and tries to talk.

But without much luck, she just lays there,
And waits for this torturous time to pass,
Until her day comes at last.
She wants to go and wants to be free!
But these machines?? They won't leave her!
She has a million questions, and she wants an answer.
Why in the world does exist disease? Is it because she
sinned?
It's ruined her life. It wasn't supposed to be like this...
But now she's lost all will to live.
She just lays there on that hospital bed.
Those tubes supposedly keeping her alive.
She tells herself 'I don't want to live!
NO! I do not wish to stay.
I just want to go away...'
Oh! when will man understand
Money might get you wealth.
But you surely can't buy life or health.
She'd rather pass, than suffer so,
But Alas! these thoughts,
No one shall ever know.

Mother Tongue -The Strength of Every Unique Culture

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"If you talk to a man in a language he understands, it goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, it goes in his heart."-Nelson Mandela

Once when I was in the 7th grade, I remember my dad taking me to his workplace by the local train; we were seated with his group of friends when I suddenly broke the conversation exclaiming to my dad in our mother tongue saying, "Bagh ne dada, Andheri kitilavkar ale ne!"(Look dad we reached Andheri so soon!)And I was so mesmerised to see my dad glancing at me with an annoyed grin whispering in my ears, "what ash, at least use English or even Hindi here!"I was stricken. Within multilingual societies, maintaining the languages of ethnic and cultural groups is critical for their preservation! And hence I open up my thought towards one of most important aspects of each individual culture-Their Mother Tongue.

It is rightly quoted by Hume Masekela, "If I don't make heritage and the strength of mother tongue important for my grandchildren, it scares me that they might say in 20 years from now, 'well, it is rumoured that we used to be Africans long ago. 'And in many urban areas, it's already happening!" See, let's take my example. I am an East Indian but nobody titles me with that; I'm dressed in a trouser and shirt all day, enjoy eating at TGI Friday's and listen to Joey Graceffa. Now these are the external things that I do giving rise to westernisation in my life; but dear readers at the end of the day when I come back home I greet my family not with the English I flaunt at college or the little French I've learnt, with my own respected mother tongue. It is quite necessary for modernisation to set in but in such a way as Phan Chu Trinh's policy in the Indo-China war about modernisation setting in with respect to our history and heritage. Why be ashamed of the language we first inherited, our own maternal language! A few days ago, when I met new friends at college, I was also shocked to know that they never learned their mother tongue!

I travel by local trains every day, for a person like me I would always like to feel like at home and that feeling I get when I hear my language been spoken at an unknown area, I may not talk to that person or only greet him, but I feel happy to have him and smile all the way, I feel proud about it and happy that I am a part of the whole.

Since we notice such a scenario of depletion of our culture going on, we must definitely go in for conservation. There are many cultural gatherings organized by various sections of the society be it religious institutions or colonies, instead of neglecting them we must volunteer. We must always represent what we are no matter where or when and tune into folk songs, art pieces, recipes and television shows in the regional dialects. In my summer vacation this year I had been to my native and found an old book there, you won't believe me saying it was in my regional language, Marathi(my mother tongue)emphasizing on history and folklore and it gave me so much pleasure that to my surprise I never got while watching a Netflix series! Enjoying the essence of our language can influence the generations to come. The words of Anu Garg have always struck me as he says, 'Hindi is my Mother Tongue .even though I do not get to use it often, and it is still a part of my life.'

Coming to the conclusion, let's go back to Hume's quote and ponder on how important our mother tongue is and it is never advisable to be ashamed of it. I love boasting about

my mother tongue and I'm proud to be one of the many in the community. What about you?

The mistake.

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Life spirals down in an ugly twist of events,
From a hundred to a zero real quick.
Pain and anger is all I feel,
Loath and disgust remains unseen in my pit.
Forgetting the good times,
The bad ones are a major sting.
Can't look back at the lasting love,
Because heartbreak is all I ever feel.

Pain and mistrust,
Shattered hearts and distrust.
Love is a solution,
Wake up from that goddamn illusion.
Life doesn't suck,
It's love that sucked.

"Don't go there my son,
You'll only have confusion."
God says the words like it's a big revolution.
Take a bow before the inhuman Massacred of the innocents.

"See that my son?,
That's what love is"
Break my heart, go away.
I hate myself because I can't stay far away.
I'm hurt, I'm sad but you don't even care.
You call me names and hurt me deep,
Slashing my heart into little broken pieces.

Where is your love when I feel the salty water running
down my cheeks?
Where is your love when I feel vulnerable and repulsed.
You're nothing but an illusion,
Sitting on top of my head like a god damned confusion.
Go away
Far away
Run Along and never look back.

Beams full of light

- Tanvi Naik
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Showered onto her vermilion body
Glorifying her to the whole world.
She stood there tall,
Worshipped in every house.

She is power, strength, and destruction.
Along with beauty, grace, and reproduction.
She is the ultimate truth.
She comprehended all this
While singing the prayer in the pooja.
Her conscience uncertain about
The whole truth.
The prayers were just to sing
in front of the idols.
Not for application.

She recalled herself always
Portrayed weak and fragile.
Raped, tortured, disrespected
And robbed of any hopes and desires.
"You have to take care of yourself
From men!"
Her mother said.
The prayer in the pooja was on the tip
Of her tongue then,
But the male gazes on road sored
Her throat.

She remembered,
There wasn't any room left to escape
Anymore.
She was shunned too many times now,
To get noticed in this world
Of imperceptive.
She understands,
The history has been forgotten.
She has to rise.

The goddess that emerges from the ashes.
The goddess,
Of destruction.
Of peace.

Looking for Gold

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More is good. More means more opportunities. But too much is not good. Quality over quantity. But, you still need more, because one out of many will have the quality, and to get to the quality, we have to tolerate the noise.

That's where the problem of getting lost in the noise comes. There is too much noise and you desperately search for information. You mistake better noise as information, and you begin to accept lower quality, because the quantity is too high. You're exhausted. But you believe that more is good. So you keep lookin' for more. Keep lookin'. You get more and more and more. You start getting exhausted, and tired. Your vision becomes blurry, until all you see is the crowd you've built around you, while collecting more. You're lost. But you still believe that you might just hit gold. So you keep hunting. You hunt the stores, the mall, the movies, the forest, the villages, the pyramids, Antarctica. You look for more, but by this time, you've lost the ability, the thirst, and the energy to filter the information from the noise. So you listen. You keep listening to the noise. You keep searching for more noise. You've forgotten what you were lookin' for. Now you're lookin' for noise. And all you have is noise. So you put on earphones, press "play" on your playlist of noise, and walk into eternity... Numb from exhaustion, tired, and used to the noise, oblivious to everything around you...

And now you see the beautiful sunset and the precious puppy on the fresh green grass. You notice your childhood friend wave at you from the crowd. He was always waving, but you were too busy lookin' for more.

So, you wave back, and he smiles. The same smile you used to look forward to, at play dates in pre school. The same smile, that made you blush in high school, the same smile, that had gotten lost into the crowd of noise that you had collected.

You remove your earphones, throw away your playlist and walk towards him. You're crying. You missed his first girlfriend, you missed his mom's funeral, you missed his wedding.

And he calls you by your nick name, teases you about that one embarrassing day from 5th grade.. And you laugh

That's when you realise, that you'd finally found what you were searching for. You had found gold as soon as you stopped searching for it. You learn, that Gold was home, all along.



एक मुलाकात, हमारी प्राचार्य के साथ (प्रो. डॉ.ए.प्रतिमा निखाळजे)

नमस्ते मैडम। अपनी व्यस्त दिनचर्या में से समय निकालकर हमसे बात करने के लिए अनेक धन्यवाद। क्योंकि आप हमारे महाविद्यालय का कुछ ही समय पहले हिस्सा बनी हैं, यह वार्तालाप हमें आपको अधिक जानने का अवसर प्रदान करेगा।

अश्विनी: विल्सन महाविद्यालय की प्राचार्या बनने से पहले की आपकी जिंदगी पर कुछ प्रकाश डालें। क्या इस पद पर यह आपकी पहली नियुक्ति है?

मैडम: मेरा जन्म और पालन-पोषण जालना में हुआ और वाय.बी. चव्हाण महाविद्यालय में अध्यापिका के पद पर पहली नियुक्ति हुई। वहाँ मैंने उपप्राचार्य एवं अन्य विभिन्न पदों को भी स्वीकारा। शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में मैं पिछले 26 वर्षों से कार्यरत हूँ। मैंने 117 अंतरराष्ट्रीय रिसर्च पेपर्स, 2 पेटेंट, 8 किताबें तथा अन्य कई उपलब्धियाँ हासिल की हैं। वर्ष 2016 में संपूर्ण महाराष्ट्र में से मैं एकमात्र महिला थी जिसका एक महीने के लिए स्पेन जाकर इरॉ समस अवार्ड द्वारा अनुसंधान करने के लिए चयन किया गया।

अश्विनी: हमारी प्राचार्य बनने से लेकर अब तक का आपका सफर कैसा रहा है?

मैडम: मेरे पिछले महाविद्यालय के मुकाबले विल्सन में कई विभिन्न शाखाओं की शिक्षा प्रदान की जाती है। यहाँ के सभी अध्यापक एवं कर्मचारी बहुत सहायक हैं। सभी ने मुझे प्रेरित किया है। हमारे महाविद्यालय की विभिन्न समितियों एवं कला एवं विज्ञान से संबंधित होनेवाली गतिविधियों का हिस्सा बनकर मुझे बहुत आनंद मिलता है। इस पद के साथ आनेवाली बहुत सी जिम्मेदारियाँ भी मेरे कंधों पर हैं मगर मुझे पूर्ण विश्वास है कि सबके सहयोग से मैं उन्हें अधिकाधिक सफलता से निभा पाऊँगी।

अश्विनी: आप अपनी दिनचर्या में संतुलन बनाए रखने के लिए क्या करती हैं?

मैडम: मेरे लिए सबसे महत्वपूर्ण है समय का पालन करना। बचपन से ही मुझे जल्दी सोने और पाँच बजे उठकर फिर कुछ देर व्यायाम एवं योगा करने की आदत रही है जो मैंने आज भी कायम रखी है। व्यस्त होनेपर भी स्वयं की देखभाल करने के लिए समय निकालना मैं आवश्यक समझती हूँ।

अश्विनी: हमारे महाविद्यालय में भारत के हर क्षेत्र से आनेवाले विद्यार्थी पढ़ते हैं। इस संस्कृतिक विविधता को कायम रखने के लिए आप क्या करना चाहेंगी?

मैडम: मुझे हमारी अनेकता में एकता देखकर बहुत गर्व महसूस होता है। नॉर्थ ईस्ट कलेक्टिव, नेचर क्लब तथा ए.व्ही.सी. जैसे क्लब इस विविधता

की जीवित रखने में कार्यरत हैं और मैं सभी विद्यार्थियों को इन समितियों द्वारा आयोजित कार्यक्रमों में सहभागी होने के लिए प्रोत्साहित करना चाहूँगी। अपने मूल सिद्धांत एवं संस्कृति को साथ लेकर चलने की सलाह सभी को देना चाहूँगी।

अश्विनी: हमारे महाविद्यालय को शिक्षा के क्षेत्र में बेहतर बनाने के लिए आपके क्या प्रयास होंगे?

मैडम: वैसे तो हमारा महाविद्यालय प्रगति के पथ पर चल रहा है मगर मैं इस यात्रा की गति को बढ़ाना चाहूँगी। हमारे महाविद्यालय में फिलहाल केवल स्नातक स्तर तक ही पढ़ाई की जाती है। मैं हमारे महाविद्यालय में स्नातकोत्तर उपाधि हेतु शिक्षा प्रारंभ करना चाहूँगी। रिसर्च को हमारी प्रगति का केन्द्रबिन्दु बनाना चाहूँगी। हमारे विद्यार्थी राज्यस्तरीय एवं राष्ट्रस्तरीय प्रतियोगिताओं में गौरव प्राप्त करें तथा विल्सन महाविद्यालय की देश के 20 उच्चतम महाविद्यालयों में गणना हो यही मेरा लक्ष्य है।

अश्विनी: विल्सन में अधिक अनुशासन लाने के लिए अध्यापकों एवं विद्यार्थियों को क्या सलाह देना चाहेंगी?

मैडम: मेरे हिसाब से जो अनेक डिसिप्लिनरी समितियाँ कार्य कर रही हैं उसी के साथ अध्यापकों को विद्यार्थियों की समस्याओं को सुनकर समझने की आवश्यकता है। जो परिवर्तन सज़ा देने से नहीं आता वो समझने से आता है। मैं स्वयं स्टुडेंट कांऊंसिल की 10 वर्षों तक सदस्या रही हूँ। व्यक्तिगत स्तर पर परिवर्तन, विकास एवं अनुशासन की भावना ही सामाजिक स्तर पर बदलाव ला सकती है। हमारा लक्ष्य प्रामाणिकता, सक्रिय सहभाग, एवं मूलभूत विकास होना चाहिए।

अश्विनी: आपके जीवन के सिद्धांत क्या हैं?

मैडम: मैं सादगी में विश्वास रखती हूँ। शिक्षा की कार्यप्रणाली में नवपरिवर्तन लाकर स्वयं के ज्ञान का सदैव उन्नयन कर विद्यार्थियों के विकास के लिए काम करना ही मेरे जीवन का सिद्धांत है।

अश्विनी: अंत में हमारे विद्यार्थियों को जीवन में सफलता पाने हेतु क्या सलाह देना चाहेंगी?

मैडम: किसी भी विद्यार्थी का उद्देश्य केवल अत्याधिक अंक प्राप्त कर परीक्षा में उत्तीर्ण होना नहीं होना चाहिए। ज्यादा महत्वपूर्ण यह है कि वे इस देश के अच्छे नागरिक बनें। अच्छे इंसान बनें। समाज के प्रति अपनी जिम्मेदारियों को समझे एवं अपने सिद्धांतों पर कायम रहें। परिश्रम एवं एकनिष्ठता ही सफलता दिला सकती है।

धन्यवाद।

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किसान मजदूर बनने को मजबूर क्यों है ?

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किसान जो कि धरतीपुत्र कहलाता है आज यह स्थिति है कि वह मजदूर बनने के लिए बेबस है। परंतु ऐसा क्यों है? यह जानने के लिए सबसे पहले हमें उनकी परेशानियों और तकलीफों का जायजा लेना होगा कि आखिर क्यों आज भारतवर्ष के किसान मजदूर की जिंदगी या उसमें कमाई को आसान मान रहे हैं? आज अगर भारतवर्ष खेती के उत्पादन में सारे विश्व के देशों को पछाड़ रहा है तो उसमें किसान की भूमिका अत्याधिक सराहनीय और महत्वपूर्ण है क्योंकि अंग्रेज काल से ही किसानों को कई कठिनाइयों का सामना करना पड़ा है और मौजूदा काल में भी स्थिति कुछ सुलभ नहीं है बल्कि बढ़ते वक्त के साथ यह अत्यंत दुर्लभ और कठिन होता जा रहा है। आज शहरीकरण को एकमात्र कारण कहा जा सकता है क्योंकि जाहिर सी बात कि इस कार्य में किसान की नहीं अत्याधिक मजदूर की आवश्यकता है क्योंकि इस विकास में मजदूर की भूमिका अधिक है। अगला कारण जो है वह मुख्य कारणों में से है वह है :- आमदनी/आज आमदनी भी एक रूप से कारण बन गया है किसानों के आत्महत्या के। आज महाराष्ट्र जो उद्योगिकरण में पूर देश में प्रथम स्थान पर विराजी है वो ही किसानों के आत्महत्या के मामलों में भी सर्वप्रथम स्थान पर है। इसका मतलब है कि आकाश में भी पहुँचने के लिए हम जमीन से पैर उठा रहे हैं जो कि अनुचित है, हम जमीनी सच्चाई से दूर आग रहे हैं, हम अमीर को और अमीर और गरीब को और गरीब बना रहे हैं। पर सरकार ये शायद भूल गई है की आज किसानों के निपूणता से ही भारत दूध पदार्थों में भी सारे अन्य देशों से आगे है।

भोजन तो वह ईश्वर का और माँ धरती का वह अनुपम भेंट है जिसके बिना मनुष्य चल तो क्या जीवित भी नहीं रह सकता है वह सिर्फ किसान ही हमें उपलब्ध करा सकता है वह सही मात्र में धरती का सोना है जो सभी को नसीब हो सकता है अगर किसान की वह सारी मूलभूत आवश्यकताओं को

सही रूप और सही समय पर उपलब्ध किया जाए तो विशेषज्ञों का कहना है कि कर्जमाफी कभी भी किसानों की माँग ही नहीं है उनकी माँगें को सिर्फ यह है कि उन्हें उनके उत्पादों का सही मूल्य मिले और सही वक्त पर सारी सुविधाओं प्राप्त हो। परंतु आज सरकार की असफलता है कि ना ही तो वह साधारण जन जातियों का भोजन उपलब्ध करा पा रही है। सबसे बड़ी समस्या जो किसानों अपनी खेती के दौरान अत्याधिक कम मूल्यों में और सही रूप से प्राप्त होनी चाहिए वह है पानी और खाद्य है। किसान को अपना और अपने परिवार का ही पेट नहीं भरना होता बल्कि अपनी खेती में उपयोग अपनी पशुओं का भी पालन-पोषण करना होता है इन सब दबावों में आकर ही फिर किसान कर्ज लेने पर मजबूर हो जाते हैं। कर्जमाफी का प्रावधान और दावे तो हर सरकार की सिर्फ कोशिश और सिर्फ कोशिश ही रही है। परंतु जैसे की कहा गया है कि कर्जमाफी कभी भी माँग ही नहीं रही है परंतु सरकार अपनी राजनीति के लिए इसका सहारा लेती है। किसान की सारी आय कुदरत पर निर्भर है जिसका कोई भरोसा नहीं होता है और मजदूरी में इनमें से किसी भी बात की फिक्र करने की कोई भी आवश्यकता नहीं होती है। और किसान अपनी खेती बेचकर काम मजदूरी के लिए विवश हो जाते हैं। आज (इनफ्लास्टक्चर) के लिए किसानों की भूमि को सरकार चार गुना दामों में खरीदकर खेती के विकल्पों को कम कर रही है।

आज का किसान इतना गरीब हो चुका है कि वह अपने संतानों उच्च शिक्षा भी उपलब्ध नहीं करा पा रहा है। इसके दो कारण हैं - पहले तो यह की किसान परिवार की कमाई तो इतनी है नहीं की वह अपने सभी बच्चों सही से पालन-पोषण कर सके तो वह शिक्षा कहाँ से देंगे। और दूसरी तो यह कि वे परिवार के अतिरिक्त अन्य कामों के लिए अधिक मजदूरों की आवश्यकता होती है जो किसान की कमाई में वह भी मुमकिन नहीं हो सकता है।

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“हिंदी तुम्हारे शब्दों में है राज गहरे,
न जाने कैसे, कब्जा कर लिया दिल पर मेरे।”

आप पूछ सकते हैं कि भाषा में क्या रखा है? मैं पूछती हूँ भाषा के अलावा क्या रखा है? आप दुनिया के सबसे बुद्धिमान, सबसे सफल और सबसे प्रतिभावान इन्सान हो सकते हैं, परंतु अगर आप आपकी उपलब्धियों को न बाँट सके, तो क्या फायदा? कितनी घुटन होती अगर मनुष्य को भाषा का वरदान न मिला होता।

भाषाएँ तो सब अद्वितीय होती हैं, सब सुंदर होती हैं, पर जादू? जादू सब में नहीं होता। आप कह सकते हैं कि सबको अपनी मातृभाषा में जादू दिखता है। परंतु अगर हम ध्यान से सोचे, तो हमें मालूम होगा कि मातृभाषा से सबको प्यार होता है, लगाव होता है, पर कुछ भाषाएँ ऐसी होती हैं कि दिल को छू लेती हैं। अगर आप उस भाषा को नहीं समझते हो, तो भी जब आप उस भाषा को सुनेंगे, आपको वह संगीत जैसा लगेगा।

मैं अपना उदाहरण ही देती हूँ, मेरी मातृभाषा अंग्रेजी है और मेरी हिंदी से मुलाकात सिर्फ विद्यालय में हुई। मुझे अंग्रेजी से बहुत प्यार और लगाव है

और उसमें बहुत धाराप्रवाह से बोल पाती हूँ। अगर तुलना करे, तो मेरी अंग्रेजी, मेरी हिंदी से कई गुना बेहतर है। पर जादू? जादू तो हिंदी में दिखता है।

चार साल की बच्ची को विद्यालय के पहले दिन पर ही हिंदी से आकर्षण हो गया। मुस्कराते हुए चौकीदार अंकल क्या बोल रहे थे, बच्ची को समझ नहीं आया। परंतु उनके शब्दों की मिठास महसूस हुई, प्यार महसूस हुआ। मेरी निजी राय है कि मुझे अंग्रेजी बहुत औपचारिक मालूम होती है, बहुत आधुनिक और स्टाइलिश मालूम होती है। परंतु हिंदी? हिंदी तो मन को मोह लेती है।

हिंदी एक बहुत भावुक भाषा है। एक स्पष्ट तरीके से भावना को दर्शाती है। जिनका आदर करते हैं, उन्हें सम्मान से आप बुलाना और जिनसे प्यार करते हैं उनको “तू” कहकर बुलाना, यह अंतर सिर्फ हिंदी में है। हिंदी गानो का मजा ही कुछ अलग होता है, आसानी से रूला भी सकते हैं और आसानी से जोश में नाचने को मजबूर भी कर सकते हैं।

ऐसी भाषा जो इंसान को इतनी सरलता से हँसा दे, रूला दे और दिल को छू ले, उसमें जादू नहीं तो क्या है? जिस भाषा की कहानियाँ आपको उनकी दुनिया में पहुँचाएँ, कविताएँ जिंदगी की राह बदलने की शक्ति रखे और अन्य रचनाएँ चमत्कार जैसी लगे, ऐसी भाषा जादू ही है... जादू ही है...

स्त्रियों को अहसान नहीं अधिकार चाहिए।

दीना वीरा,
प्रथम वर्ष बी.ए.



एक समय पर हमारे देश को सोने की चिड़ियाँ कहा जाता था परंतु अब एक और नाम से संबोधित किया जाता है। और वह नाम है पुरुष प्रधान देश। परंतु ऐसा क्यों है? कौन जिम्मेदार है इसके लिए?

हाँ हम यह कह सकते हैं कि अक्सर महिलाओं की प्रगति से पुरुषों के स्वाभिमान को ठेस पहुँचती है। यहाँ पुरुषों के लिए कोई नियम नहीं है परंतु स्त्रियों के लिए कई तरह के नियमों का पालन करना अनिवार्य है। एक बेटी पर पहले उनके माँ-बाप का आधिपत्य होता है और शादी के बाद उसके पति और उसके सास-ससुर का। उस बेटी से यह कभी नहीं पूछा जाता कि तेरी अपनी कोई इच्छा है। घर में अगर किसी भी विषय पर चर्चा होती है या फैसला किया जाता है तो उसमें घर की बहु की राय शामिल नहीं किया जाता। इन सब के लिए कौन जिम्मेदार है? जी हाँ वह माता-पिता जिन्होंने बेटी के पढ़ने-लिखने को महत्व ना देते हुए घर के काम-काज सीखने पर प्रथम महत्व दिया। इसी वजह से वह बेटी अपने अधिकारों के लिए आज लड़ नहीं पा रही है।

दहेज की प्रथा भी काफी प्रचलित है। घरेलु हिंसा, मार-पीट, शारीरिक तथा मानसिक त्रास देना बहुत आम बात है। कभी कभी तकलीफ इतनी बढ़ जाती है कि नाही पिता से पैसे माँग सकती है और नाही अपने सास-ससुर को मना कर सकती है क्योंकि माता-पिता की आर्थिक स्थिति ठीक नहीं होती। ऐसे हाँलातों में वह अपने आपको खत्म करना यानि कि आत्महत्या बेहतर उपाय समझती है।

हमारे देश में तो इतनी अंधश्रद्धा फैली हुई थी कि स्त्रियों को सती के नाम पर जिंदा अपने पति के साथ जलाया जाता था परंतु राजा राम मोहन राय जैसे देश के महत्वपूर्ण समाज सुधारकों ने इस प्रथा को जड़ से ही मिटा दिया। विधवा पुनर्विवाह और बाल विवाह जैसी प्रथाओं को ना सिर्फ बदला बल्कि स्त्रियों के हक में बहुत सारे नए कायदे बनाए।

सरकार ने स्त्रियों के हक में बहुत सारी मुहिमें चलाई हैं। परंतु हमारे देश में ऐसे कई राज्य हैं जहाँ पर सरकार के फैसले को महत्व नहीं दिया जाता है। हरियाणा, राजस्थान, उत्तर प्रदेश जैसे राज्यों में लोगों ने अपनी खापपंचायत की रचना की है जिसमें उन्होंने जात-पात ऊँच-नीच और स्त्रियों के अधिकार और आजादी पर कई सारी पाबंदियाँ लगाई हैं। कोई कुछ नया सोचना ही

नहीं चाहता। और किसी ने भी अगर उसे बदलने को कोशिश की तो या तो उसे मार दिया जाता है या फिर उसे समाज या गाँव से बाहर निकाल दिया जाता है या फिर उसे कड़ी से कड़ी सजा दी जाती है ताकि यह कोशिश फिर से ना कर सके।

हम अगर शिक्षा की बात करें तो हमारे देश में लड़कियों को पढ़ने पर भी पाबंदियाँ थी परंतु महात्मा ज्योतिबा फूले और सावित्री बाई फूले जैसे महान देश भक्तों ने साक्षरता का एक नया दौर शुरू कर समाज को एक नई दिशा दिखाई। शहरों के मुकाबले गाँव में अभी भी लड़कियों के पढ़ने-लिखने पर पाबंदी है। या तो उसे कम पढ़ाया जाता है और या फिर बिल्कुल भी नहीं; शहरों में अभी साक्षरता को बहुत अधिक महत्व दिया जाता है चाहे वह बेटे के लिए। क्योंकि गाँव के और एक साक्षर मस्तिष्क हमेशा अच्छी विचारधारा को जन्म देता है।

हमारे देश की और एक सबसे बड़ी समस्या यह है कि यहाँ पर एक स्त्री ही दूसरी स्त्री के अधिकार, मान-सम्मान और प्रगति पर रूकावट बन रही है। एक औरत हमेशा दोहरी भूमिका निभाती है। एक अपनी बेटी के लिए और दूसरी अपनी बहु के लिए। क्यों? क्या वह दोनों को एक समान नहीं रख सकती। अब एक औरत ही दूसरी औरत के लिए भेद-भाव रखेगी तो कैसे चलेगा। एक बेटी के पैदा होने पर सास को शायद ज्यादा खुशी नहीं होती क्योंकि वह अपने बेटे का वंश आगे बढ़ाना चाहती है और इसी वजह से आज हजारों बेटियों को कोख में ही मार दिया जाता है। वह सास यह भूल जाती है कि बहू भी एक स्त्री है। एक माँ है, एक बहन है, एक पत्नी है, अगर एक स्त्री ही दूसरी स्त्री के मानसम्मान की रक्षा नहीं करेगी तो कौन करेगा। यह बात हर स्त्री को समझनी होगी।

अब जरूरत है हमें अपने आप को ऊँचा उठाने की। पुरुषों को और समाज को दोष ना देते हुए खुद अपनी सहायता करने की ताकि अपने हक के लिए हम खुद आगे आकर लड़ सके। एक दूसरे के विरोधी बनते हुए एक दूसरे के सहायक बने। एक-दूसरे के सम्मान की रक्षा करें। अगर हम एकजुट हो जाएँ तो समाज और दुनिया में नारी होना गर्व की बात होगी। जब तक हम अपनी इज्जत नहीं करेंगे तब तक और कोई भी हमारी इज्जत नहीं करेगा यह बात हमें खुद समझनी होगी।

मैं और मेरी माँ

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“मैं करता रहा सैर जन्नत में रातभर
सुबह आँख खुली तो देखा
सर माँ के कदमों में था”

कितना अर्थपूर्ण है यह दोहा, जो कुछ ही शब्दों में माँ का महत्व दर्शाता है। प्रत्येक मनुष्य के जीवन में माँ का स्थान और योगदान सबसे बढ़कर तथा ईश्वर तुल्य होता है। माँ के बिना जीवन की उम्मीद नहीं की जा सकती, अगर माँ न हो तो हमारा अस्तित्व ही न होता। माँ शब्द जैसे तो बहुत आसान और छोटा है, परंतु इस में स्वयं ईश्वर का वास है। माँ अपने बच्चों के लिए कुछ भी कर गुजरने के लिए तैयार रहती है। मनुष्य में ही नहीं हर प्रकार के जीव-जंतु में माँ श्रेष्ठ ही होती है।

इसी तरह मेरा और मेरी माँ का भी एक नाता है। प्रत्येक मनुष्य की तरह मुझे भी अपनी माँ अत्यंत प्रिय है। जैसे देखा जाए तो बेटियाँ अपने पिताजी की लाडली होती हैं परंतु मैं मेरी माँ की दुलारी हूँ। कहते हैं ना -

“माँ सबकी जगह ले सकती है, पर माँ की जगह कोई नहीं ले सकता”

यह वाक्य मेरे जीवन का सार है। मेरी माँ एक गृहणी है। देखा जाए तो लोगों का मानना है कि गृहणी अनपढ़ होती है, परंतु मेरी माँ ने सुशिक्षित होते हुए भी गृहणी बनना स्वीकार किया। क्योंकि उन्होंने अपने परिवार के लिए अपना व्यावसायिक जीवन त्याग दिया। संसार में माँ सदैव त्याग की मूरत कहलाई जाती है, लेकिन मैंने अपने जीवन में इस त्याग का अनुभव किया है। माँ के इस निर्णय ने मुझे समझाया कि प्रेम में त्याग स्वाभाविक होता है। जब भी कोई माँ को अपने इस निर्णय के लिए सराहता है तब वह हँस कर उसे एक छोटा-सा योगदान बताकर खुश हो जाती है।

जैसे तो मेरी माँ बहुत सौम्य स्वभाव की है पर उसे शिष्टाचार उतना ही प्यारा है। वह समय के महत्त्व को बहुत आवश्यक मानती है। उसके लिए जो

व्यक्ति समय को महत्त्व देता है वह सम्मानपूर्वक होता है। माँ को इसी समय के प्रति निष्ठा ने मुझे उसका आदी बना दिया है। माँ का नियम है कि बच्चों की गलती पर सजा देना ही जरूरी नहीं होता बल्कि गलती का मुख्य कारण जानना भी आवश्यक होता है। इसी लिए माँ के सामने कुछ भी कबूल करना सहज हो जाता है। जब भी मैं कोई गलती करती हूँ तो मैं माँ को स्वयं बताती हूँ। यह कबूल करना डर के कारण नहीं होता, पर एक आदर और सीख के कारण होता है। जिस पर माँ अत्यंत प्रेम के साथ मुझे समझाती है तथा माफ कर देती है। इसलिए कहते हैं - माँ बच्चों की लाखों गलतियाँ माफ कर देती है।

माँ को कला का बहुत शौक है। उन्हें नृत्य में बड़ी रुचि है। उसी तरह साहित्य भी उनका प्रिय विषय है। माँ को किताबें पढ़ना बहुत पसंद है। उनके इसी किताबी ज्ञान के कारण वह हर परिस्थिति में एक सकारात्मक व्यक्तित्व के तौर पर सामने आती हैं। वह हमेशा यही सिखाती हैं-

“हर मुश्किल परिस्थिति का हमें डटकर सामना करना चाहिए। भले ही यह परिस्थिति हमें हानिकारक लगे किंतु सदैव कार्यशीलता और सकारात्मकता से भविष्य उज्ज्वल होता है।” माँ के इसी बात ने मुझे जीवन की स्पर्धा में संयम रखने और उचित समय का इंतजार करना सिखाया।

संसार में हम सब अपनी माँ के प्रेम दुलार, संस्कार और त्याग के ऋणी हैं। यह ऐसा ऋण है जो हम कभी उतार नहीं सकते। इसलिए मैं हमेशा ईश्वर से प्रार्थना करती हूँ -

“माँग लूँ यह मन्नत की
फिर यही जहाँ मिले,
फिर वही गोद
फिर वही माँ मिले।”

#Me Too का यथार्थ/मी टू का सच

दिव्या चिनधाडे,
प्रथम वर्ष बी.ए.



तकरीबन बारह साल पहले तुराना बुशके नाम की अमेरिकन महिला ने औरतो के शारीरिक शोषण के विरुद्ध “मी टू मूवमेंट” नाम से सोशल मीडिया पर एक विश्वव्यापी जनांदोलन शुरू किया था। इस अभियान ने महिलाओं को एक सुरक्षित मंच प्रदान किया कि वे अपने साथ कार्यस्थल, पब्लिक प्लेस आदि जगहों पर हो रहे अन्याय के खिलाफ आवाज जोर से उठा सकें। अगर उन्हें सताया गया है, किसी ने कुछ गलत किया है तो उसे #Me Too के जरिए बतला सकें और उन व्यक्तिजनों का चेहरा बेनकाब करें।

अब इस #Me Too अभियान का हिस्सा भारतीय महिलाएँ भी बड़ी तेजी से बन रही हैं। सालों पहले अपने साथ हुए शारीरिक छेड़-छाड़ की घटनाओं, शोषण और दूसरे अन्य अत्याचारों की बात खुलकर सोशल मीडिया साईट्स जैसे फेसबुक, ट्विटर, आदि पर शेयर कर रही हैं, जो हमारे देश भारत में इस समय अखबार की बहुत सुर्खियों और न्यूज चैनलों पर सबसे अधिक चर्चा का विषय बना हुआ है। भारत में यह अभियान न सिर्फ सोशल मीडिया पर लोकप्रिय हुआ, बल्कि अब यह

इन्टरनेट की दुनिया से बाहर निकलकर यौन उत्पीड़न के खिलाफ एक जनांदोलन अभियान बना।

बहरहाल, भारत जैसे देश में इस तरह के अभियान शुरू होने से यह यौन उत्पीड़न के खिलाफ जंग कम और लम्बी अवधि तक लोगों के बीच में चर्चा में रहने वाला विषय अधिक लग रहा है क्योंकि कभी न खत्म होनेवाले हैशटैग #Me Too से सामने आए और औरतों के यौन उत्पीड़न के तजुबों के बाद उन्हें किसी तरह का न्याय मिलता तो नहीं दिख रहा है, हाँ, उनको लेकर राजनीति जरूर शुरू हो चुकी है। लेकिन कुछ लोगों का इस अभियान के बारे में यह भी कहना है कि इस मुहिम ने अपने शारीरिक शोषण और अपमान के खिलाफ बोलने के लिए औरतों को पहली बार एक कारगर मंच उपलब्ध कराया है। ऐसे में यह सवाल आज हर एक आदमी जानना चाहता है।

भारत में #Me Too आंदोलन के बारे में कई चीजे उल्लेखनीय हैं। इतनी सारी साहसी महिलाएँ खुलकर सामने आईं और अपने जख्म को साझा किया। इस तरह उनके सामने आने से क्रांतिकारी मुहिम से हजारों लाखों लोगो को ये उम्मीद है कि, भारत में महिलाओं के प्रति लोगों की सोच में भारी परिवर्तन के साथ दुर्व्यवहार करने से पहले एक व्यक्ति हजारो लाखो बार सोचेगा। लेकिन अपने देश में लडकियों के साथ छेड़छाड़ को सामान्य बात कह कर टाल दिया जाता है। अगर कोई भी राह चलता लडका किसी लडकी पर उँगली भी रख दे, तो उस लडकी का जीना दूँभर हो जाता है। ऐसे में सोशल मीडिया पर हैशटैग “मी टू” के साथ एक आम लडकी अपने यौन उत्पादन के बारे में लिख भी दे तो क्या उसकी कही सुनवाई होगी? शायद नहीं।

हालाँकि #Me Too जैसे आंदोलन एक अन्याय के खिलाफ नए प्रकार के सामाजिक गठन को स्थापित करने में सक्षम है। एक ऐसा अन्याय जो बिना सामने आए बच जाता है या था उसके लिए इंटरनेट पर “मी टू” सार्वजनिक रूप शर्मसार करने का एक नया हथियार बन चुका है। पर भारत के परिपेक्ष में इस सच्चाई को दरकिनार नहीं किया जाता है या फिर किया जा सकता है। यहाँ पीडित बेटियों की आवाज उनके मरने के बाद ही सुनाई पडती है। यदि इस

#Me Too मुहिम से भारत की बेटियों के असली समस्याओं का समाधान दिखता तो मैं बेशक इस यौन उत्पादन के खिलाफ एक सटीक और क्रांतिकारी आंदोलन की शुरूआत कहती लेकिन अभी तक तो कुछ ऐसा लगता है #Me Too के हो हल्ला के बीच उन बेटियों की आवाज दब रही है।

अगर #Me Too कैपेन के जरिए न्याय पाने को बात करे तो सोशल मीडिया पर दिया गया बयान कोई ऐसा सबूत नहीं होता जो इन पीडितों को न्याय दिला पाए या फिर आरोपी को कानूनी सजा हो सके। भारत जैसे देश में इस मुहिम के साथ एक और बड़ी समस्या यह है कि न्यायालय में आरोप लगानेवाली स्त्रियों को कानूनी ही नहीं बल्कि सामाजिक दिक्कतों और तानों का भी सामना करना पड़ता है।

सच कहा जाए तो इस अभियान का अब तक भारत में कोई सकारात्मक असर नहीं दिख रहा है। यहाँ पर इसका सकारात्मक असर ठीक उतना ही मुश्किल होगा, जितना की एक महिला के लिए इस पुरुष प्रधान समाज में अपनी खुद की एक पहचान हासिल करना क्योंकि भारत में आज भी एक महिला को किसी भी क्षेत्र में पहचान बनाने के लिए बहुत संघर्ष करना पडता है।

#Me Too अपने अभी तक के आंदोलन में अखबारों की सुर्खिया बटोरने का जरिया बना है, लेकिन मैं इतना अवश्य कहना चाहूँगी कि इस #Me Too मुहिम ने महिलाओं को जरूर हिम्मत दी। यह उनका यौन उत्पीड़न के खिलाफ सबसे शक्तिशाली हथियार साबित हो सकता है अगर सभी औरत एक साथ आए क्योंकि ये अभी केवल प्रभावशाली महिलाओं के बीच ही है जो सोशल मीडिया पर सक्रिय है। जो छोटे कस्बो, गाँव और पिछड़ी जाति की औरते हैं उनको तो इसका मतलब भी नहीं मालूम है, तो उनके लिए इस यौन उत्पीड़न के खिलाफ आवाज उठाना बहुत दूर की बात है।

‘मी टू’ का जन्म जिस बदलाव को लाने हेतु हुआ था वह जल्द ही साकार हो और हर औरत हमारे देश में अपने शोषण के विरुद्ध आवाज उठा सके, सुरक्षित महसूस कर सके यही हमारी आशा है।

घर की यादें।

“ढलेगी शाम जहाँ कुछ नज़र न आएगा,
फिर इस के बाद याद घर की आएगी।”

रजिंदर मनचंदा बानी की लिखी हुई यह शायरी मेरे जीवन के एक महत्वपूर्ण पहलू को दर्शाती है। एक वर्ष बीत चुका है। मैंने अपने घरवालों को नहीं देखा। उन रास्तों, संकरी गलियों पर नहीं चला। छोटे बच्चों को शाम को साईकल चलाते नहीं देखा। बस एक साल ही तो हुआ है। न जाने क्यों यह बारह वर्षों की तरह लगने लगे हैं।

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जमशेदपुर: हरा-भरा, सादगी से भरा तथा तेजी से बढ़ता हुआ शहर। मेरा शहर जहाँ शायद मुंबई जितनी संधियाँ ना हो मगर प्यार और अपनेपन की कमी कभी महसूस नहीं होती। यहीं मैं पैदा हुआ। मेरा पालन-पोषण एंव उच्च माध्यमिक शिक्षण भी यहीं से पूर्ण हुआ। इस शहर में मुंबई जितने ऐशो-आराम तो नहीं मगर जरूरत की हर चीज उपलब्ध है। बस एक ही बड़ी कमी है-अच्छे डिग्री महाविद्यालयों की। यही वजह है कि मुझे मुंबई आना पड़ा। ऐसा नहीं कि मुंबई महानगरी की भागादौडी मुझे रास नहीं आई। आखिर

सपनों के शहर में कौन नहीं रहना चाहता? लेकिन मेरे शांत और सादगी भरे शहर की तुलना किसी भी दूसरे शहर से करना फिजूल है।

मुंबई मुझे पसंद तो आई पर घर से दूरी बन गई। झारखंड और महाराष्ट्र की संस्कृतियाँ पूर्णतः असमान हैं। पहनावे से लेकर खाने तक, भाषा से लेकर स्वभाव तक सबकुछ अलग। एक तरफ मुंबई शहर की आजादी मिली तो दूसरी तरफ नई संस्कृति के हिसाब से खुद को ढालकर नए लोगों के बीच खुद की जगह कायम करने का संघर्ष भी शुरू हो गया। यहाँ पिज्जा-बर्गर तो बहुत मिलते हैं पर माँ के हाथ का खाना नहीं मिलता। यहाँ रात की चकाचौंध तो है मगर दिन की शांति नहीं है। उदाहरण के तौर पर हमारे वहाँ जमशेदपुर में सबसे बड़ा उत्सव होता दुर्गा-पूजा। पूरे शहर में सिर्फ तीन ऐसे बंगाली परिवार हैं जिनके घर में बरसों से दुर्गा-पूजा मनाई जाती है। उनमें से एक घर मेरा भी है। महालया के दिन से विजयादशमी के दिन तक एक अलग ही रौनक लगी रहती है। इस वर्ष मुझे केवल तस्वीरों से ही काम चलाना पड़ा।

आप ने तस्वीर भेजी मैंने देखी गौर से,
हर अदा अच्छी, खामोशी की अदा अच्छी नहीं।

जलील मानिकपुरी जी की ये दो पंक्तियाँ मानो मेरे जीवन का आईना दिखा रही हैं। मेरे पिताजी को तन एवं मन की खुशी धन से ऊपर लगती थी। इसी कारण वे पूरे परिवार को साथ में घूमने जरूर ले जाते थे। कभी राजस्थान तो कभी तमिलनाडू। पिताजी मानते हैं कि नए लोग, नई जगहों, नई संस्कृतियों से वाकिफ होना एक व्यक्ति का मानसिक विकास की और काम करता है। इसी विश्वास के साथ मैं पिछले साल से इस शहर की संस्कृति को समझने की कोशिश कर रहा हूँ। बचपन से माँ-बाप के दिए हुए संस्कार ने ही मुझे मुंबई जैसे शहर में जहाँ हजारों आकर भटक जाते हैं, अपने पैर जमीन पर रखकर नज़र, लक्ष्य की ओर रखने में मदद की है। बहुत खुशी होती है जब बचपन में सिखाई बातों का आज जीवन में इस्तेमाल कर आगे बढ़ता हूँ। अब बस एक ही आशा है कि किसी दिन मैं कुछ बड़ा बन अपने माता-पिता का नाम रौशन कर सकूँ। जमशेदपुर का नाम रौशन कर सकूँ।

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एक सुखमय जीवन को जीने के लिए हमें 7 सुखों की आवश्यकता होती है। जिसमें सबसे पहला व प्रमुख सुख निरोगी काया है। अगर हम इस पहले सुख से ही वंचित रहेंगे तो दुनिया का कोई भी सुख हमें आनंद नहीं दे पाएगा। एक अस्वस्थ व्यक्ति का मन, मस्तिष्क, स्वभाव सभी अस्त-व्यस्त रहते हैं। जहाँ एक निरोगी व्यक्ति अपने जीवन को सुचारू रूप से चलाने के लिए रोटि कमाने से लेकर, विद्या अर्जित करने और कला-कौशल के क्षेत्र में प्रवेश कर कहीं भी सफलता प्राप्त कर सकता है वहीं एक रोगी व्यक्ति सभी प्रकार की सुख-सुविधाएँ होते हुए भी उनका उपयोग नहीं कर सकता। इसलिए निरोग रहना जीवन की प्रथम आवश्यकता मानी गयी है। यदि व्यक्ति निरोग है तो वह अपनी प्रसन्नता बनाये रह सकता है और दूसरों को भी बाँट सकता है। किंतु अगर व्यक्ति स्वयं ही अस्वस्थ है और निराश है, तो वह व्यक्ति खुद भी दुःखी रहेगा और आसपास के लोगों को भी दुःखी कर देगा। स्वस्थ शरीर में ही स्वस्थ मन का विकास होता है इसलिए सदैव निरोगी रहने का प्रयास करना चाहिए। गरीब होते हुए भी यदि व्यक्ति निरोगी है तो वह अपनी प्रसन्नता बनाए रख सकता है। निरोगी रहने के लिए क्या करना चाहिए? इसे लोग रहस्यमयी विद्या समझते हुए भ्रांतियों में भटकते रहते हैं। वे बहुमूल्य दवाएँ खरीदते हैं, पौष्टिक खाद्य खरीदते हैं और जो भी बनता है करते हैं गुणी योगी जनों से राह पूछते रहते हैं। इतने पर सुनिश्चित और चिरस्थायी आरोग्य किसी-किसी के ही हाथ आता है। यह तथ्य विरलों को ही विदित है कि स्वास्थ्य आते सरल है। निरोग रहने के लिए ऐसा कुछ नहीं पड़ता जो रहस्यमय है। केवल प्रकृति का अनुसरण करने वाले थोड़े से नियमों का पालन करने भर से इस प्रयोजन की पूर्ति बिना किसी

कठिनाई के हो जाती है। बीमारी अस्वाभिक है। इसे असंयम की दुष्परिणाम भी कह सकते हैं। यह नियम बहुत नहीं है। थोड़े से ही है, जो सर्वविदित है। सर्वसुलभ है, जिनका पालन करने में कोई कठिनाई नहीं होनी चाहिए। मुखता या उदंडता वश मनुष्य उन्हें तोड़ता है वो बिमारियाँ हो जाती है। स्वस्थ बने रहने के लिए केवल पाँच मर्यादाओं का पालन करना पड़ता है।

1. सात्विक भोजन
2. विशुद्ध जल
3. उपयुक्त समय पर गहरी नींद
4. स्वच्छता
5. मन को हलका रखना

इन पाँच नियमों के पालन करने से स्वास्थ्य अच्छा बना रहता है। यदि किसी कारणवश बिगाड़ गया है तो भूल सुधार लेने से प्रकृति क्षमा कर देती है और खोया हुआ स्वास्थ्य फिर वापस लौटा देती है। सात्विक भोजन से तात्पर्य है बिना भूख के कभी न खाना। खाने की मात्रा इतनी सीमित रखनी चाहिए जिसमें आधा पेट आहार से भरे, चौथाई पानी के लिए और चौथाई हवा के लिए खाली रहे। आमतौर पर लोग जायके के फेर में पड़कर आवश्यकता से प्रायः ज्यादा खा जाते हैं। आमाशात आँवे जिगरी से रिसने वाला पाचक रस इतना कम होता है कि औसत खुराक की तुलना में प्रायः आधा की पच सके। अक्सर लोगों को यह भ्रम होता है कि ज्यादा भोजन करने से ज्यादा ताकत आयेगी और ज्यादा रक्त बनेगा। लोग यह भूल जाते हैं कि जो पच नहीं पाए और पेट में पड़ा रहे वह विष के बराबर होता है। खाने के संबंध में एक और बुरी आदत लोगों में पाई जाती है। जल्दी जल्दी बिना चबाए

निगलना। लोग यह भूल जाते हैं कि जिस प्रकार पेट में पाचक रस निकलता है, उसी प्रकार मुँह के स्राव भी महत्वपूर्ण हैं। क्या खाया जाये? उत्तर एक शब्द है, जो खाना भुना तला न गया हो।

यदि मजबूरी हो तो उसे उबाला भर जा सकता है। मिर्च मसाले, नमक, शक्कर की जितनी आवश्यकता हो उतना ही लेना चाहिए। आजकल व्यस्तता के चलते लोग पर्याप्त नींद लेने में असमर्थ रहते हैं। जिससे बीमारियाँ शरीर को घेर लेती हैं और व्यक्ति निरोग नहीं रह पाता। स्वच्छता का अर्थ

है साफ-सफाई। अगर व्यक्ति गंदगी में रहेगा और सफाई नहीं रखेगा, तो व्यक्ति को आलस और बिमारियाँ घेर लेती हैं। मन को हलका रखने का तात्पर्य है कि मन में किसी बात की चिंता न रखना और हमेशा खुश रहना, तनाव से व्यक्ति रोगोंसे घिर जाता है। इसके लिए व्यक्ति को प्रणायाम, रोग का सहारा लेना चाहिए और हमेशा खुश रहने का प्रयास करना चाहिए। अगर व्यक्ति इन नियमों का पालन ध्यानपूर्वक करे तो वह निरोगी रह सकता है।

कन्या भ्रूणहत्या- एक अभिशाप

माँ के गर्भ में पल रहे शिशु का गैर कानूनी तरीके से लिंग परिक्षण करके यदि शिशु लड़की है तो उसे माँ के गर्भ में ही मार देना, कन्या भ्रूण हत्या कहलाता है। वर्तमान में हमारे भारतीय समाज, में आज भी रुढ़ीवादी प्रवृत्ति के कुछ लोग ऐसा मानते हैं कि बालिकाएँ उनपर एक जिम्मेदारी के समान होती हैं इसलिए वे उन्हें माँ के गर्भ में ही मार देते हैं परंतु वे ये नहीं समझते कि भविष्य में आने वाले इसके नकारात्मक परिणाम कितने बड़े प्रमाण पर होंगे। सन् 2011 की जनगणना के अनुसार प्रति 1000 पुरुषों के मुकाबले केवल 943 महिलाएँ थी। इससे यह सिद्ध होता है कि हमारा भारत आज भी विकासशील देश ही है। कन्या भ्रूण हत्या का सबसे बड़ा कारण दहेज प्रथा है। यह इसलिए है क्योंकि उस बालिका के परिजनों के पास दहेज के रूप में अपनी पुत्री के विवाह में एक मोटी रकम देने की क्षमता नहीं होती। कुछ रुढ़ीवादी लोग यह समझते हैं कि यदि पुत्र हुआ तो वह संपत्ती का संकेत होता है और अगर पुत्री हुई तो वो सिर्फ एक बोझ होती है। शायद यही कारण है कि उन मासूम बालिकाओं को जन्म नहीं लेने दिया जाता। ऐसी परिस्थिति अधिकतम ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में देखी जाती है। उनका मानना होता है कि लड़कियाँ सिर्फ विवाह के बाद ससुराल जाने के लिए होती हैं। वे घर की चार दीवारी में कैद रहकर केवल गृहकार्य करने के लिए सक्षम होती हैं। बालिकाओं को हमारे देश में आज भी वह स्वतंत्रता नहीं दी जाती जिससे वे

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अपनी जिंदगी खुलके जी सके। कुछ रुढ़ीवादी प्रवृत्ति के लोग यह समझते हैं कि पुत्र वंशगति को जारी रखते हैं तथा पुत्रियाँ पराई होती हैं। इसके कई कारण हैं जैसे कि अशिक्षा, असुरक्षा तथा गरीबी। एक महत्वपूर्ण कारण यह भी है कि भारत सरकार की बातें एवं योजनाएँ ग्रामीण भागों के अशिक्षित लोगों तक पहुँच ही नहीं पाती। वे उन प्रभावी कथनों से अपरिचित रहते हैं। हमारे देश के कई हिस्सों में बालिकाओं के साथ यौन शोषण होता है जब कि सरकार द्वारा इस अपराध के लिए कड़ा दण्ड पारित किया जा चुका है। इन सारी परिस्थितियों को देखकर परिजन डर जाते हैं एवं इस कानून के विरुद्ध दुष्कर्म जैसे कि कन्या भ्रूण हत्या को अंजाम देते हैं। इस समस्या का हल तब ही निकल सकता है जग अधिक से अधिक लोग शिक्षित हो। महिलाओं का दहेज प्रथा के विरुद्ध आवाज उठाना अनिवार्य है। गरीबी को दूर करना तथा महिलाओं की सुरक्षा से संबंधित भारत सरकार द्वारा सख्त कानून बनाना समय की माँग है। भारत सरकार द्वारा चलाई जा रही प्रगतिशील योजनाएँ जैसे कि 'बेटी बचाओ, बेटी पढ़ाओ' का जोरो से प्रचार होना चाहिए। हम सभी का इस समाज और देश के जिम्मेदार नागरिकों के तौर पर यह कर्तव्य है कि हम महिलाओं को एक सुरक्षित एवं विकासशील वातावरण प्रदान करें जिससे कन्या भ्रूण हत्या जैसे अभिशाप से हमें मुक्ति मिल सके।

आसान है, आसान है

दिल में मेरे कुछ सपने हैं
बस वही तो मेरे अपने हैं,
सच होने ही वाले हैं यकीन है।
अरमान आसमान है...
आसान है, आसान है...

गिर गया तो क्या हुआ
गिरता वही जो चलता है
बस उठकर फिर से चलना है
अरमान आसमान है...
आसान है, आसान है...

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जिंदगी बहुत ही छोटी है,
कल तक ना रुकूँगा
जो भी करना है मुझको
हों वो आज ही करूँगा
अरमान आसमान है...
आसान है, आसान है...

अब लगने लगा है मुझको
बस आस ही प्यास है
लगन, आशा, यकीन है
अरमान आसमान है...
आसान है, आसान है...

वाह रे! बदलती दुनिया...

प्राचीन समय में यह दुनिया ही कुछ अलग थी। परंतु वर्तमानकाल में दुनिया कुछ अलग-ही होती जा रही है। तब हमारे उम्र में एक बचपन हुआ करता था। परंतु आजकल बच्चों का बचपन गायब होता जा रहा है। लोगों में एक-दूसरे के प्रति प्यार नहीं छल-कपट भरता जा रहा है। बचपन में एक छोटी सी उम्र में पापा और दादा के कंधों की सवारी करते थे पर आजकल के बच्चें छोटी-सी उम्र में कंधों पर भारी बस्ता टाँगे बच्चों से खचाखच भरी स्कूल बस की सवारी कर रहे हैं। प्रतिस्पर्धा की दौड़ में शामिल हो कर दौड़ लगाते जा रहे हैं और प्रतिस्पर्धा के चलते उन्हें स्वयं को दूसरों से बेहतर साबित करना पड़ रहा है। जहाँ तक बात रही युवा पीढ़ी तो अपने इन्टरनेट के दुनिया में ही व्यस्त है जिसे देखो वह यह इन्टरनेट के जाल में फँसा पड़ा है कोई व्हाट्सएप, तो कोई फेसबुक, इंस्टाग्राम में ही अपना समय नष्ट करते पड़े हैं और आजकल की युवा पीढ़ी तो सभी खेल छोड़कर एक अलग दुनिया का खेल खेल रही है जिसका नाम पबजी है। पहले लोग त्योहारों पर बधाईयाँ देने जाते थे इसी बहाने मिल भी लिया करते थे पर आजकल लोग सोशल मीडिया पर बधाईयाँ देकर बात खत्म कर देते हैं। जीवन भर प. टाई लिखाई कलम और कागज पर करते हैं पर आखिर में आकर मोबाईल कीबोर्ड पर कार्य करते हैं तो इस दुनिया में कागज और कलम का मतलब ही क्या? पहले के जमाने में लोग अपने से बड़ों की इज्जत करते थे परंतु आजकल के युवाओं के मन में बड़ों के प्रति इज्जत ही नहीं। पहले लोग एक

दूसरे की मदद करते थे पर आज किसी के साथ दुर्घटना (एक्सीडेंट) घर जाये तो लोग विडियो बनाने में व्यस्त हो जाते अगर किसी गरीब की मदद की तो उसका फोटो निकालकर सोशल मिडिया पर पोस्ट अपडेट करते हैं। आज के जमाने में बच्चे छोटे रहते हैं तो माँ-बाप अपना हाथ पकड़कर उन्हें स्कूल ले जाते हैं उन्हें एक शिक्षा प्राप्त करवाते खुद तकलीफ सह कर उन्हें इस दुनिया में रहने लायक बनते हैं परंतु वही बच्चा एक दिन उनका हाथ पकड़कर उनके की घर से बेघर कर देता है। आजकल की दुनिया एक सच्ची दुनिया नहीं। यह एक सपनों की दुनिया है जहाँ लोग खोये हुए हैं। आजकल लोग अखबार से ज्यादा व्हाट्सअप के मैसेज पढ़ते हैं। प्राचीन समय में विद्यार्थी गुरु को भगवान के तरह पूजते थे पर आजकल के विद्यार्थी अपने आप को उनसे ज्यादा स्मार्ट समझते और उन्हें हमेशा नीचा दिखाने की कोशिश करते हैं। पहले लोग एक-दूसरे के प्रति विश्वास रखते थे और आज एक-दूसरे के प्रति विश्वासघात करने लगे हैं। भले ही दुनिया आज विकास कर रही है परंतु लोग अविकास की राह पर चल रही है। लोग अपना दो रुपये बचाने के लिए देश के साथ, लोगों के साथ धोखा कर रहे हैं। पुराने समय में मौसी, बुआ, चाची, नानी और दादी जैसे पवित्र रिश्तों में मिठास होती पर आजकल यह सभी रिश्तों का कुछ आदर ही नहीं।

वाह रे! बदलती दुनिया तुने तो सबकुछ बदल डाला।

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विषय की पहचान

हिन्दी तो महान है,
उसमें ही सम्मान है।

अंग्रेजी तो बेस्ट है,
पर वह सर्वश्रेष्ठ है।

गणित तो सच्चा है,
चाहता हर बच्चा है।

विज्ञान तो महान है,
उसमें ही ज्ञान है।

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भूगोल ने किया देशों का निर्माण है,
उसकी वजह से आज सब देशों में व्यवहार है।

मराठी तो मराठाओं की पहचान है
कहने में भी शान है।

इतिहास के पन्नों में हमारे वीर जवानों और वीर नेताओं का नाम है,
उनकी वजह से आज हमारे इस देश की पहचान है।



विद्यार्थी जीवन मनुष्य के जीवन का सबसे महत्वपूर्ण समय होता है। इस समय में बने संस्कार, सीखी हुई कलाएँ हमारा भविष्य निर्धारित करती है। इसलिए यह बहुत जरूरी हो जाता है कि मनुष्य अपने विद्यार्थी जीवन से ही देश के प्रति अपने कर्तव्यों को समझे। इससे वह अपने जीवन को इस प्रकार ढाल सकेगा कि राष्ट्र के प्रति उसके जो कर्तव्य है वो उन्हें पूरा करने के लिए सक्षम बने।

एक विद्यार्थी के रूप में मनुष्य का देश के प्रति पहला कर्तव्य यह होता है कि वह अपनी शिक्षा उचित रूप से पूर्ण करे। शिक्षा से मनुष्य के अच्छे विचारों के साथ-साथ उसकी योग्यता बढ़ती है। उसे सामर्थ्यवान बनाती है उसके विचार भी अच्छे होते हैं जो राष्ट्र को आगे ले जाने में काम आती है। इससे उसके विवेक का विकास भी होता है। एक उचित शिक्षा पाया हुआ विद्यार्थी अपने परिवार, समाज तथा राष्ट्र की सही तरीके से सेवा कर सकता है। इसलिए उच्चतम शिक्षा प्राप्त करना बहुत महत्वपूर्ण है।

शिक्षा के साथ-साथ विद्यार्थी का दूसरा कर्तव्य यह है कि वह अपने स्वास्थ्य पर भी ध्यान दे। कहा जाता है स्वस्थ शरीर में ही स्वस्थ मन होता है और अगर स्वस्थ शरीर नहीं होगा तो विद्यार्थी बड़ा होकर राष्ट्र को आगे कैसे लेकर जाएगा? इससे उसकी प्रगति भी रुक जाएगी। एक शारीरिक रूप से स्वस्थ व्यक्ति ही राष्ट्र की सही तरीके से सेवा कर सकता है।

शिक्षा तथा स्वास्थ्य के बाद राष्ट्र के शक्तिबोध तथा सौंदर्यबोध को बढाना है। विद्यार्थी जहाँ भी जाए उन्हें हमारे देश के गौरवशाली अतीत का पूरा स्मरण होना चाहिए और इस ज्ञान से वह राष्ट्र को आगे ले जा सकता है। देश के वर्तमान को अच्छा अनिवार्य है। विद्यार्थियों को गंदगी फैलाने से रोकना चाहिए। अपने व्यवहार से वो देश में स्वच्छता के प्रति जागरूकता ला सकता है और वह बात सभी विद्यार्थियों को समझनी पड़ेगी कि अगर अपने में परिवर्तन लाओगे तो ही राष्ट्र आगे बढ़ेगा।

इस तरह खुद के व्यवहार में परिवर्तन कर विद्यार्थी राष्ट्र में कई सकारात्मक परिवर्तन ला सकते हैं। विद्यार्थियों को अपने राष्ट्र के सामने जो महत्वपूर्ण चुनौतियाँ हैं उसके बारे में भी जानकारी होनी चाहिए। विद्यार्थियों का प्रयास भले छोटा ही क्यों ना हो पर दीर्घकाल में वह अवश्य समाज के लिए लाभदायक होगा। जिससे राष्ट्र आगे बढ़ेगा। इस प्रकार उचित शिक्षा प्राप्त करके, स्वयं को स्वस्थ रखके, सामाजिक बुराइयों को दूर करने, देश में सकारात्मक माहौल निर्माण करने, व राष्ट्र को अच्छा बनाके, उसे सुरक्षित रखके एवं दुनिया में आगे ले जान ही हम विद्यार्थी अपने देश के प्रति अपनी जिम्मेदारियाँ पूरी कर सकेंगे। एक उज्ज्वल भविष्य का निर्माण कर सकेंगे। राष्ट्र की प्रगति का मुख्य कारण है विद्यार्थी। इसलिए हर विद्यार्थी को अपने राष्ट्र को अपना मानकर उसे सम्मान देकर आगे ले जान है उसे गर्व से कहना चाहिए कि वे भारत देश का एक विद्यार्थी है।

दौड़ (अनुभव)

समय एक बार बीत जाता है तो वो वापस नहीं आता- यह तो हम बचपन से सुनते आ रहे हैं और उस 'समय' का सही तरीके से उपयोग करने में हम इतने व्यस्त हो गए हैं कि हर एक पल का आनंद उठाना ही भूल गये हैं।

हम ने जीवन को एक दौड़ बना लिया है। बस भागे जा रहे हैं। अगर गिर भी जाते हैं तो उस तकलीफ को भी महसूस नहीं करते और तुरंत उठ कर फिर आगे भागने लगते हैं। इस डर से कि कहीं लोग आगे न बढ़ जाएँ। अगर जीत जाते हैं तो उस जीत का का अभी एहसास भी नहीं हुआ होता कि फिर से दौड़ने लग जाते हैं क्योंकि हमें अगली ट्रॉफी नजर आ जाती है। हम में और उस घड़े में क्या फर्क जो ऐनक लगा कर दौड़ता है?

कहा जाता है कि जिंदगी में कभी पीछे पलट कर नहीं देखना चाहिए, बस आगे बढ़ना चाहिए परंतु यह कोई क्यों नहीं कहता कि कभी-कभी पीछे

मुड़ के पुरानी यादों का भी आनंद उठाना चाहिए चाहे वो अच्छी यादें हो या बुरी।

यह बहुत अफसोस की बात है कि हम ने हर चीज को एक प्रतियोगिता समझ लिया है और हर क्षण हम बेहतर बनना चाहते हैं इसमें कुछ बुराई नहीं है। बुराई तो इस बात में है कि हम किसी और से अच्छा बनना चाहते हैं।

मैं अपने पाठकों से यह विनती करना चाहूँगी कि उन लोगों जैसा ना बनो जो अपने आप को बेहतर साबित करने के लिए दूसरों को नीचे गिरा देते हैं। यह जिंदगी एक राह है और चलना हमारा काम है, परंतु कभी-कभी रुक कर उस राह का भी आनंद लो क्यों कि जब तक आपको यह एहसास होगा कि इस रास्ते में रिवर्स का ऑप्शन नहीं है तब तक बहुत देर हो चुकी होगी।



तू ना कर

अंतर गलत और सही का
अंतर 'हाँ' और 'ना' का
तुझे समझना होगा।
चाहे तू है लडका या लडकी
हर गलत कृत्य के खिलाफ तुझे खडा होना होगा।
क्या सही है, क्या गलत कौन समझाएगा?
मुझे नहीं लगता कि इस दुनिया में कोई
तुझे सही-गलत की अभिधारणा समझा पाएगा।

हर वो चीज गलत है जो तेरे ना चाहते हुए हुई
हर वो चीज गलत है जो तेरे साथ जबरन की गई
चाहे तू हो लडका या लडकी
हर वो चीज गलत है जिससे तुझे घबराहट हुई
और हर वो चीज गलत है जिसकी अनुमति तेरे जहन ने कभी ना दी।

एक छोटी-सी बात कहता हूँ
छुए कोई तुझे असामान्य तरीके से
करे कुछ ऐसा जो ना हो सामान्य किसी भी लहजे से
तो ना बोल
आवाज उठा उस कृत्य का विरोध कर
आत्मसम्मान को समक्ष ला
तू ना कर
और पूरी हिम्मत से भिड जा।

वह बनो

वह दिया बनो जो जलता है तुफानों में,
श्रम ऐसा ही करो जैसे फूँका हो गुरुमंत्र कानों में।
वह जुगनु न बनो जो दिल जीत लेता है,
वह सूर्य बनो हर सुबह एक नया जीवन देता है।
वह सपने न देखो जिसके के लिए सोना पडे,
वह सपने देखो जिसके लिए चैन खोना पडे।
वह तारा न बनो जो दिखता है हजारों में,
वह चंद्रमा बनो जो चमकता है लाखों में।

आदित्य मेहता "चंचल"
तृतीय वर्ष बी. एम. एम.



ध्यान रख
चाहे हो वो तेरा ही कोई अपना
या हो कोई डरावना- सा सपना
तुझे तेरी अनुमति के बिना
ना कोई लगा सकता हाथ है
और ना ही कोई कर सकता कुछ पाप है।
तुझे बोलना होगा
आज तू चुप रहा, तो कल फिर वो किसी और के साथ ज़्यादती करेगा
और तूने जो दहाड मार दी, तो वो खुद से भी डरने लगेगा।

किसने कह दिया कि तू गलत कर रहा है?
गलत के खिलाफ आवाज उठाकर ही तो तू इंसान बन रहा है
मत सुन दुनिया की
यहाँ के रिवाज अलग है....
पता नहीं क्यों ?
'रिश्ता' कहकर अपनो का ही गला घोटते ये लोग है।

तू खुद के लिए लड
अपनी इज्जत को संभाल कर रख
कोई साथ नहीं, इसका मतलब यह नहीं कि तू अकेला हो जाएगा
आँख बंद कर देख सत्य, साहस और भगवान तीनों को अपने साथ पाएगा।

सना पप्पू खान
ग्यारहवीं (विज्ञान)



वह गिदड न बनो जो कमज़ोरों पर ही काबू पाता है,
वह शेर बनो जो ताकतवरों को भी छक्के छुडाता है।
वह पंख न बनो जो उँचाइयाँ देखकर टूट जाते है,
वह पंख बनो जो उँचाईयों से भी ऊँची उडान भरते हैं।
वह दिवाली न बनो जो खुशियाँ दिखलाती है,
वह दशहरा बनो जो रावण जैसी बुराईयाँ मिटाती हैं।
वह न बनो जो मार्ग से विचलित हो जाते है,
वह बनो जो विचलित मार्ग से नई पहचान पाते हैं।

काँटो से प्यार

मुझे काँटो पर प्यार आता है
ना खिलने की चिंता, ना मुरझाने का डर
ना टूटने की चिंता, ना बिखरने का डर
इन्हें स्थिर रहना आता है।
इसलिए मुझे काँटो पर प्यार आता है।

ना धूप, ना छाँव का असर,
ना पानी, ना हवाओं का असर
इन्हें हर मौसम भाता है
इसलिए मुझे काँटों पर प्यार आता है।

सूर्यान्शी सुधाकर कुचटे
ग्यारहवी (विज्ञान)



ना खुशी की चाहत, ना गम में आहत
इन्हें कोई नहीं अपनाता है
इसलिए मुझे काँटो पर प्यार आता है।

ना श्रद्धा मिलती है, ना कोई श्रद्धांजलि देता,
ना बालों में बाँधा जाता है,
ना पैरों से रौंदा जाता है,
इन्हें आत्मसम्मान की रक्षा करना आता है
इसलिए मुझे काँटो पर प्यार आता है
काँटो पर प्यार आता है।

मैं

आकाश-सा ना साहस मुझमें, देखी खूबी सारे जहान की,
ना धरती-सी सहनशीलता है। बस, खुद ही को ना जाना मैंने।
इंद्रधनुष- सा ना रंग मुझमें, ना ताका, ना झाँका,
ना पानी-सी शीतलता है। ना खुद को पहचाना मैंने।

यह सब निर्जीव हैं फिर भी, कैसे जानूँ? कैसे समझूँ?
इनमें कितनी विशेषता है। कैसे मैं खुद को पा जाऊँ?
पाँचो इंद्रियाँ है मुझमें, मुझमें मेरा एहसास नहीं
फिर भी खूबी का साथ नहीं। मुझमें मेरा एहसास नहीं।
क्या मुझमें कोई बात नहीं?
क्या मुझमें कोई बात नहीं?

सूर्यान्शी सुधाकर कुचटे
ग्यारहवी (विज्ञान)



कुछ पल बिताए संग अपने मैंने
तोड़े दुनिया के यह डेरे
जब झाँका खुद में तो पाया
पाँचो इंद्रियों में अद्भुत बल है समाया।

आकाश-सा है साहस मुझमें,
धरती-सी सहनशीलता है।
इंद्रधनुष-सा रंग है मुझमें,
और पानी-सी शीतलता है।
मुझ-सा कोई खास नहीं
हाँ, मुझ-सा कोई खास नहीं।

दोस्त वो है

दोस्त वो है जो पकड़ कर रखता है हाथ,
सोचता नहीं, कौन है तुम्हारे साथ।

दोस्त वो है जो जानता है सारी बात,
बताना नहीं पड़ता उसको कोई - भी राज।

दोस्त वो है जिससे दोस्ती निभानी नहीं पड़ती,
कोई भी बात उसे समझानी नहीं पड़ती।

साक्षी सिंह
ग्यारहवी (कला)



दोस्त वो है जो रखते है विश्वास
जिस पर कभी भी रखी जा सकती है आस।

किस किसका लूँ नाम किसकी करूँ बात
हर हाल में रहा है मेरे मित्रों के साथ।

जो दुःख-सुख में साथ देता है हमारा,
'दोस्त' वो ही होता है सबसे न्यारा।



नेहरु निबंध लेखन स्पर्धेतील प्रथम क्रमांक

MPSC-UPSC रोजगाराच्या संधी की मृगजळ ?

कोणतीही स्पर्धा म्हटली की एखाद्या व्यक्तीमधील अंगभूत गुणांची चाचणी आली. विशेषतः स्पर्धा परीक्षांच्या बाबतीत तर ही गोष्ट अधिकच लागू पडते. स्पर्धा परीक्षांना बसणा-यांना नुसतंच मेहनती असून चालत नाही. त्याला प्रामाणिकपणा, स्मार्टवर्क आणि प्रभावीपणाची जोड दिली तर त्या स्पर्धा परीक्षेच्या रिंगणात उतरल्यावर जिंकण्याची शक्यता वाढते.

खासकरून MPSC/UPSC सारख्या स्पर्धा परीक्षा नेमक्या कुणासाठी असतात? या स्पर्धा परीक्षा अशा प्रभावी व्यक्तिमत्त्वांचा शोध घेत असतात जी अगदी ग्रामीण पातळीवर जाऊनही लोकांच्या समस्यांचे निवारण करू शकतील. त्यांना योग्य मार्ग दाखवू शकतील. मग या प्रक्रियेत आपल्याला स्वतःच्या अंगभूत गुणांची जाणीव होते. यातून देशाला एक सक्षम अधिकारी मिळत असतो. एक चांगलं व्यक्तिमत्त्व जगासमोर येत असतं ब-याचदा आपला गैरसमज असा होतो की, स्पर्धा परीक्षा फक्त अभ्यासात हुशार असणा-या मुलांसाठी असतात; पण तसं नसतं. एखाद्याकडे जर व्यवस्थापनाचं कौशल्य असेल, नेतृत्वगुण असतील तर तोही असा अधिकारी बनू शकतो. (उदा. श्री. भरत आंधळे यांना तर पदवीला ५०.८३% गुण होते पण तरीसुद्धा त्यांची निवड झालीच ना! अशाच गोष्टी असतात ज्या स्पर्धा परीक्षेमध्ये महत्त्वाच्या ठरतात.

आपण दरवर्षीच पाहत असतो की स्पर्धा परीक्षा देणा-यांची संख्या जास्त असते; पण निवड होताना मात्र ही संख्या कमालीची घटते. असे का? हीच परिस्थिती JEE, ISSC, ITI, TOEFI यांसारख्या परीक्षांमध्ये दिसत नाही. कारण त्या परीक्षांची पूर्ण कल्पना असणारे विद्यार्थी, हौस म्हणून नव्हे, तर प्राधान्याने त्यात यश मिळवण्याच्या पूर्ण जिद्दीने उतरलेले असेच असतात. पण उचेब-नचेब च्या बाबतीत मात्र श्री. विश्वास नांगरे पाटील म्हणतात त्याप्रमाणे “हौसे, नवशे, गवशे” असे सारेच सरसकट परीक्षेला बसतात. त्यामुळे सुरुवातीला परीक्षार्थींची संख्या प्रचंड फुगलेली दिसते. पण अखेर निवड होताना खरोखर गुणवत्ता असणारेच उमेदवार उरतात; म्हणूनच ही संख्या रोडावलेली असते. हे चित्र नीट समजून न घेतल्यामुळे ही परीक्षा म्हणजे ‘मृगजळ’ अशी ओरड ऐकू येते. असे मला वाटते.

मागील दहा-बारा वर्षांचा विचार करता या परीक्षांचं फारसं ग्लॅमर दिसतं नव्हतं. पण सध्याच्या युवा पिढीमध्ये या परीक्षांचा प्रभाव मोठ्या प्रमाणावर दिसून येतो. अनेकदा काही उमेदवारांनी अत्यंत प्रतिकूल परिस्थितीवर मात करून स्पर्धा परीक्षेत यश मिळवलेलं असतं. मग अशा व्यक्तींची भाषणे ऐकून स्पर्धा परीक्षा म्हणजे नेमकं काय असतं, हे नीट माहीत नसलेले स्पर्धकही यात उतरतात. अक्षरशः दोर मेहनत करतात. पण सरड्याची धाव कुंपणापर्यंतच असते ना म्हणून ज्याने त्याने आपली क्षमता किंवा ताकद ओळखूनच या शर्यतीत उतरायचं असतं.

एकदा एका अधिका-याने सांगितलं की मी नचेब ची तयारी पहाटे ३ वाजल्यापासून करायचो हे ऐकून एका मुलानेसुद्धा तेच केलं; पण तो काही अधिकारी बनला नाही. खेडेगावांमध्ये तर या बाबतीत खूपच गैरसमज असतात. खेडेगावातून एखादा मुलगा जर अधिकारी बनला तर इतर पालकसुद्धा आपला मुलगापण अधिकारी व्हावा म्हणून त्याला या भोव-यात ढकलतात. अशात ती मुलं ‘जोताला बैल बांधावे’ तशी मेहनत करतात आणि नको त्या भोव-यात येऊन अडकतात. डॉ. राजेंद्र भारूड (IAS) यांनी आपल्या भाषणांमध्ये सांगितलं होतं की ‘मी एक स्वप्न पाहिलेलं’ हे पुस्तक स्टोरी म्हणून छान वाटेल. एक प्रेरणा म्हणून छान वाटेल; पण प्रत्येकाने हेच क्षेत्र निवडावं अशी सक्ती नाही. म्हणूनच या परीक्षांच्या यशाचा असा काही फॉर्म्युला नाही जो अमलात आणला की यश हमखास मिळेल. प्रत्येकानं स्वतःच्या कुवतीनुसार या परीक्षेला भिडायचं असतं.

‘आत्मविश्वास’ हे प्रभावी अंजन असतं. ज्याच्या डोळ्यांत ते लखलखतं त्याला कोणत्याही परिस्थितीत यशाचा मार्ग नक्की दिसत असतो, असं म्हणतात. पण ब-याचदा आपल्या वाट्याला एकदा-दोनदा अपयश आलं की आपला आत्मविश्वास ढासळून जातो. असे म्हणतात की ‘आत्मविश्वास हा समुद्राच्या पाण्यासारखा असावा. किनारा कितीही लांब असला तरी ते किना-यावर येऊन आदळतेच’. आत्मविश्वास कसा असावा यावर एक गोष्ट सांगावीशी वाटते. कोकणच्या सुपुत्राची गोष्ट आहे ही. ब्रिटीश सरकारने ही परीक्षा लंडनमध्ये डिसेंबर ते जानेवारीमध्ये घ्यायची ठरवली. डिसेंबर-जानेवारीमध्ये तिकडे कडाक्याची थंडी असते. भारतातला कुणी मुलगा ही परीक्षा पासचं होऊ नये असं त्यांना वाटत होतं. आता कोकणचा हा पट्ट्या, याला इतक्या थंडीची सवय नव्हती आणि स्वेटर, हातमोजे एवढे कपडे घालून पेपर लिहीणं म्हणजे अवघडच! पण तरीसुद्धा हा पट्ट्या परीक्षेसाठी लंडनला गेला. परीक्षेला प्रत्येक पेपरमध्ये १० प्रश्नांपैकी ‘कोणतेही पाच’ सोडवा अशी अट. याने सगळ्यांच्या सगळ्या पेपरमध्ये उत्तरपत्रिकेच्या शेवटी टीप लिहिली ‘Examine Any five’ रिझल्ट लागणार होता. त्यादिवशी हा सकाळी पुस्तक वाचत बसला होता. एक माणूस वर्तमानपत्र घेऊन आला. म्हणाला “काय रे तुझा रिझल्ट आणि तुला टेन्शन नाही का? हा म्हणाला “माझ्या टेन्शनच सोडा हो तुम्ही मला फक्त दुसरा कोण आला, तेवढं सांगा आणि असं म्हणणारा हा पट्ट्या म्हणजे “डॉ. चिंतामणराव द्वारकानाथ देशमुख”

म्हणूनच अपयश आलं तरी चालेल पण आत्मविश्वास गमावता कामा नये. स्पर्धापरीक्षा पहिल्याच प्रयत्नात क्रॅक करता येतेच असं नाही. (अपवाद अन्सार शेख (IAS) UPSC-MPSC या स्पर्धा परीक्षांना मृगजळ नाही म्हणता येणार पण त्या रोजगाराच्या संधी नक्कीच असू शकतील, असं मला वाटतं. कारण जर एखाद्याकडे UPSC-MPSC देण्यालायक जर काहीगुण असतील तर त्यांच्यासाठी

ती रोजगाराची संधीच झाली ना! त्यामुळे आपण आपल्या बुध्दमत्तेला, व्यक्तिमत्त्वाला अनुसरून एखादं क्षेत्र निवडावं आणि तोपर्यंत त्याच्याशी भिडावं जोपर्यंत आपल्याला क्षितिजापलीकडे जाता येत नाही! कुणीतरी छान म्हटले आहे-

“उडत्या पाखरांना परतीची तमा नसावी,
सदा नजरेमध्ये नवी दिशा असावी
घरटे काय केव्हाही बांधता येईल
क्षितीजापलीकडे जाण्याची इच्छा असावी..

‘विल्सोनियन’ मधील उत्कृष्ट लेखन

‘मी आणि तो’ एक सुंदर नातं

एकदा असं व्हावं, मी आणि समुद्र दोघांनी शांत बसावं. कोणतीच वादळं नाहीत! कोणाचा त्रास नाही. फक्त शांत बसावं. त्याने काही सांगावं, मी त्याच ऐकावं. मी काही सांगावं, त्याने माझं ऐकावं. माझं आणि त्याचं एक वेगळंच नातं आहे. मी शांत स्वभावाची आणि तो मनमौजी. मी सगळं मनात साठवणारी आणि तो सगळं मनातून बाहेर टाकणारा. मी माझ्या मनातल्या वादळांना मनातच थोपवणारी आणि तो स्वतःच एक वादळ बनणारा. दोन भिन्न स्वभाव, दोन भिन्न विचार तरीही एक सुखद अनुभूती, एक विलक्षण भावना!

त्याच्या मनमौजी स्वभावाला, सुंदर अशा किना-याला संध्याकाळ अजूनच खुलवून जाते. थोडा निळा, केशरी, पांढरा, लाल रंग घेऊन येणारी संध्याकाळ जणू रत्नाकराची वेशभूषा करीत आहे, असे वाटते. पक्षी, सूर्य आणि माणसे आपापल्या परतीच्या वाटेवर चालत असतात. पण मी एखाद्या तरुण राजकुमारासारख्या सजलेल्या, नटलेल्या त्या रत्नाकराकडे मोहित होऊन बघत बसते. त्याच्याशी हितगुज साधत असते. त्याला मनाच्या एका कोप-यात साठवण्याचा प्रयत्न करत असते.

तो रोज एका नव्या रूपात मला भेटतो आणि मी नव्याने त्याच्या प्रेमात पडते. त्याला सवय आहे मला फसवायची. रोज अनोळखी होऊन माझ्यासमोर

यायची. पण मीही त्याच्या एवढीच हट्टी! त्याची नव्याने ओळख करून घेणारी आणि त्याच्या त्या रूपावर दररोज नव्याने प्रेम करणारी. दररोज संध्याकाळी बेधुद होऊन त्याच्याशी जुळवून घेण्याच्या प्रयत्नात असणारी मी आणि दररोज नव्याने उलगडणा-या कोडयासारखा व अलगद कानावर पडण्या-या बासरीच्या स्वरासारखा तो; कुठेही मेळ नाही तरीही एक अर्थपूर्ण जाणिव.

विशाल असा हा रत्नाकर अफाट खजिन्याने भरलेला आहे. लाखो-करोडो मासे, शिंपले, मोती आणि विविध वनस्पतींना तो आपल्या अंगा-खांद्यावर खेळवतो. अजाणतेपणी मला तो खूप काही शिकवून जातो. माझ्या प्रत्येक प्रश्नाचे उत्तर मला त्याच्याकडे मिळते. मी एकटी नाही; तो माझ्यासोबत नेहमी होता, आहे आणि यापुढेही असेल याची खात्री पटते. हिरमुसलेल्या आयुष्यात प्रेरणा देणारं हास्य म्हणजे समुद्र!

कोणत्याही प्रकारची अपेक्षा न ठेवणारा. फक्त माझ्या नेहमी सोबत राहणारा. मला योग्य मार्ग दाखवणारा आणि मला माझी नव्याने ओळख करून देणारा असा माझा खरा सोबती म्हणजेच माझा समुद्र. या नात्याला कोणतंही नाव नाही, कोणतंही बंधन नाही, कोणतीही अट नाही, आहे तो फक्त नी फक्त अतूट विश्वास...

हे नातं म्हणजे समजण्याचा आणि समजवण्याचा एक खेळ!

ऋतिका पाष्टे

प्रथम वर्ष कला



कै. साधना उपाध्ये पारितोषिक सर्जनशील लेखनांकरिता...

चांदणी

एकदा एका चांदणीला पाहिले मी विचारून,
काय पाहतेस एवढया उंचावरून?

ती म्हणाली, “पानं-फुलं-पाखरं पाहते डोळे भरून,
वाटते की एकदा बघावे पृथ्वीवर राहून.”

ये खाली, माझी मैत्रीण बनवेन तुला,
झाडाच्या फांदीला टांगलेला झुला झुलवेन तुला.

एवढे म्हणताच आली ती खाली उतरून
म्हणाली, “हेच का ते जग जे पाहते मी वरून”!

हीच ती धरती जिथे तुला राहावेसे वाटते,
इथेच निसर्गाशी मैत्री आमची दाटते.

अंकिता लोखंडे

प्रथम वर्षकला



“चल झाडाला टांगलेला झुलव मला झुला,
झुलता-झुलता आकाशातल्या गोष्टी सांगेन तुला”

तिने सांगितले काय-काय असते आकाशात,
तिला विचारले, “घेऊन जाशील का तुझ्या घरात?”

“घर नसतं आम्हाला, राहतो आम्ही मोकळे,
नात्यात नसते भिंत, मिळून राहतो सगळे”

“इथल्यासारखा आम्हात नसतो भेद-भाव,
एकच असतो धर्म आमचा, एकच आमचे नाव!”



जगण्यासाठी संघर्ष आमुचा

विविध चढउतारांसह, सुख-दुःखांच्या सोबतीने, यशापयशाची प्रचिती देणारा प्रवास म्हणजे 'जीवन' किंवा 'आयुष्य' जगण्याची ही साधी-सोपी व्याख्या आपल्याला बरंच काही सांगून जाते. जगताना वेगवेगळ्या स्तरांवर संघर्ष करावा लागणे हे स्वाभाविक आहे. अगदी पृथ्वीच्या उत्क्रांतीपासूनच जे सजीव जन्माला आले त्यांना छोट्या मोठ्या पातळीवर संघर्ष करावा लागला. त्यामुळे मानवासाठी ही बाब नवी नाही. परंतु आज परिस्थिती वेगळी आहे. पूर्वी फक्त नैसर्गिक आव्हानांना सामोरे जाण्याइतपत असलेला संघर्ष आज खूप प्रमाणात वाढला आहे. २१ साव्या शतकातील पिढीचा विचार करता, असे लक्षात येते की असल्या जीवनाची जवळजवळ सर्वच अंगे संघर्षमय बनली आहेत. त्यामुळेच आपला जीवनसंघर्ष वाढतो आहे.

सर्वप्रथम मानवाच्या मूलभूत गरजा अन्न, वस्त्र, निवारा, आरोग्य आणि आजच्या काळाची मूलभूत गरज म्हणजेच शिक्षण यांची पूर्तता करणे हाच एक मोठा संघर्ष बनला आहे. यासाठी महागाई, बरोजगारी, गरिबी, इ. कारणं जबाबदार आहेत. अलीकडच उदाहरण म्हणजे इंधन दरवाढ. पेट्रोल, डिझेल यांच्या किंमती वाढल्यामुळे फक्त खाजगी वाहन असलेल्या जनतेलाच नाही, तर सार्वजनिक वाहतूक करणा-यांनाही फटका बसला. या गोष्टीमुळे सर्वसामान्य, मध्यमवर्गीय गट विविध संघर्षांना सामोरा गेला. बेरोजगारी आणि त्यामुळे गरिबी या तर अगदी 'जुन्या' समस्या. ज्यामुळे गुन्हेगारी वाढते आहे. या सर्व गोष्टी मानवाच्या मूलभूत गरजा भागविण्यात अडथळे निर्माण करतात. कारण ही एक साखळी आहे. बेरोजगारी असेल तर वेतन नाही आणि वेतन नाही म्हणून सोई-सुविधा नाहीत, म्हणजेच पुन्हा गरिबी.

हा आजच्या सर्वसामान्य जनतेचा संघर्ष अशा प्रकारे सुरू असतो. फक्त याच बाबतीत नाहीतर पुढे विविध राजकीय धोरणं, निर्णय यांचेही वाईट परिणाम जनता सहन करते. उदा. निश्चलनीकरण, जीएसटी. हे सर्व निर्णय अगदी जीवितहानीपर्यंत पोहोचले. आर्थिक पातळीवर तर संघर्ष वाढलाच; पण त्याचे समाजाच्या अनेक स्तरांवर वाईट पडसाद उमटले.

समाज म्हणजे माणसाची आपली स्वतःची जागा. जिथे वेगवेगळे नियम; कायदे लागू करून मानवी समूह राहतो. पण हा समाज तरी सुरक्षित आहे का? विशेषतः स्त्रियांसाठी जगणं सोपं उरलंय का? तर नाही अगदी माणसामाणसांतही संघर्ष चालू आहे. एकमेकांच्या सुरक्षिततेसाठी, स्वतःच्या सुकर जगण्यासाठी सामाजिक पातळीवरदेखील संघर्ष आहे. जात, धर्म, वर्ण

यांवरून निर्माण झालेले भेद व्यापक रूप घेतात. त्यात राजकीय गटांची भर पडून त्याचे राजकारण केले जाते. मूळ विषय बाजूला राहून भलतीकडेच लोक भरकटतात आणि त्यामुळे सोप्या गोष्टी अधिक अवघड होऊन जातात. उदा. अलिकडे काही समाजगटांकडून आरक्षणाची मागणी करण्यात आली. त्यासाठी त्या गटांनी वेगवेगळ्या प्रकारे संघर्ष केला; ज्यामध्ये हिंसक मार्गही अवलंबला गेला. परिणामस्वरूप जीवितहानी, सार्वजनिक मालमत्तेची हानी झाली. सगळा समाज वेठीला धरला गेला. इतर गटांना, ज्यांचा आरक्षणाशी संबंध नाही त्यांनाही संघर्षाला सामोरे जावे लागले. असा हा जगण्यातील संघर्ष वाढतो आहे. सामाजिक, आर्थिक, राजकीय आणि अनेक घटक या संघर्षाला कारणीभूत आहेत. त्यांमुळे मानवाचं दैनंदिन जीवन अधिकाधिक अवघड बनू लागले आहे. इतक्या सगळ्या अडचणी असल्या तरी मानव संघर्ष करत जगत आहे. पण आज या संघर्षाला कंटाळून काही लोक मात्र आत्महत्येची निवड करू लागले आहेत. शेतक-यांची आत्महत्या तर नेहमीचीच गोष्ट वाटू लागली आहे. त्याचबरोबर वेगळ्या सामाजिक स्तरांवरही हा मार्ग अवलंबला जात आहे. अगदी प्रत्येक लहान मोठ्या गोष्टीसाठी कराव्या लागणा-या संघर्षांमुळे मानवी जीवन जणू या संघर्षरूपी पिज-यात बंदिस्त झाले आहे. त्यामुळे असे जीवन जगण्याऐवजी ते संपवून टाकणेच योग्य, असे वाटून किंवा तो संघर्ष करता येत नसल्यामुळे आत्महत्येचा पर्याय निवडला जात आहे.

माझ्या मते, जगण्यातील संघर्षांच्या पद्धती मानवाने बदलल्या पाहिजेत. हिंसा न करता, आत्महत्येचा अवलंब न करता जगताना येणा-या अडचणींवर मात केली पाहिजे. यासाठी सर्वप्रथम सामाजिक स्तरावर एकत्र येऊन समाजासाठी काय योग्य आहे हे ठरवायला हवे. त्यानुसार पुढे राजकीय क्षेत्रात बदल घडवून जीवनाची विविध क्षेत्रे सुधारता येतील. यामुळे काही प्रमाणात संघर्ष कमी करण्यास मदत होईल. आत्महत्येबद्दल कदाचित लोकांचे मत बदलू शकेल आणि जीवितहानी होणार नाही. प्रत्यक्षात, हे सर्व अंमलात आणणे जरा अवघड आहे परंतु अशक्य नाही. आज ज्या हवामान, प्रदूषण, शेती, स्त्रियांची सुरक्षा, बेरोजगारी, गुन्हेगारीसारख्या समस्या आहेत, त्या मुख्यतः इतर समस्यांचे मूळ आहेत. या समस्या जर काही अंशी कमी झाल्या तर नक्कीच जगणं काही प्रमाणात सुकर होईल.

वरील सर्व गोष्टींचा विचार करता, मानवाने योग्य रितीने संघर्षाला तोंड दिले पाहिजे. या संघर्षांमुळे जर हिंसा अधिक वाढली तर संघर्षही तितकाच वाढेल आणि जगण्यासाठीचा हा संघर्ष संघर्षासाठीच्या जगण्यात बदलेल.

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तंत्रज्ञानाचा अतिरेक होतोय का ?

मानव हा जगातील सर्वांत हुशार प्राणी आहे. आपल्या बुद्धीच्या जोरावर मानवाने अनेक अशक्य वाटणा-या गोष्टी सहज शक्य करून दाखविल्या आहेत. पूर्वी ज्या गोष्टींचा कोणी स्वप्नातही विचार केला नसेल; अशा तंत्रज्ञानासंबंधी अनेक गोष्टींचा मानवाने शोध लावला आहे. दैनंदिन जीवनातील अनेक गरजा लक्षात घेऊन मानवाने त्या गरजा पूर्ण करण्यासाठी व आपले दैनंदिन जीवन अधिक सुखकर व्हावे या ध्येयाने नव्या तंत्रज्ञानाचा शोध लावला.

मानवाच्या विविध गरजांनुसार त्याने विविध प्रकारचे तंत्रज्ञान विकसित केले. २० साव्या शतकाच्या उत्तरार्धात संगणकाचा शोध लागला आणि तंत्रज्ञानाच्या क्षेत्रात नवे युग सुरू झाले. अनेक क्लिष्ट कामे करणे संगणकामुळे सोपे झाले. त्यानंतर काहीच वर्षांत लागलेल्या इंटरनेटच्या शोधामुळे तर ह्या क्षेत्रात क्रांतीच झाली. रेल्वेची तिकिटे घरबसल्या आरक्षित करणे, बिल भरणे, एखादा संदेश एका ठिकाणाहून दुस-या ठिकाणी क्षणार्धात पोहोचवणे, तसेच सुरक्षेच्या कामातही संगणकाचा व इंटरनेटचा वापर मोठ्या प्रमाणावर होऊ लागला. तंत्रज्ञानाची प्रगती एवढी वाढली की मानव अगदी चंद्रावर जाऊन आला आणि आता मंगळावर जाण्याची स्वप्न पाहतो आहे. अनेक उपग्रहांच्या सहाय्याने मानवाला हवामानातील बदल, दूरदर्शनवरून एखाद्या कार्यक्रमाचे थेट प्रक्षेपण, देशाची सुरक्षा, समुद्रातील जहाजांना योग्य दिशा देणे अशा कामात तंत्रज्ञानाचा उपयोग फार महत्त्वाचा आहे. तंत्रज्ञानाने मानवाचे जीवन सुखकर केले आहे. फक्त एकाच शतकात तंत्रज्ञानाने फार मोठी झेप घेतली आहे.

आज एकविसाव्या शतकात तर आपलं जग तंत्रज्ञानाने संपूर्ण व्यापलं आहे. अन्न, वस्त्र व निवारा या मूलभूत गरजांनंतर तंत्रज्ञानाचा क्रमांक लागतो, असं म्हटल्यास वावगं ठरू नये. बदलत्या काळात मानवाच्या बदलत्या गरजांमुळे अनेक नव्या तंत्रज्ञानाचा शोध लागला. भ्रमणध्वनीच्या शोधामुळे मानवाला दूरवरच्या व्यक्तीशी क्षणार्धात संपर्क साधता येतो. एका छोट्या भ्रमणध्वनीत कॅमेरासह अगदी नवनवे तंत्रज्ञान असते. व्यायाम कसा करावा येथपासून ते नवे पदार्थ कसे बनवावेत हे भ्रमणध्वनीवर शिकता येते. एका खंडावरील व्यक्तिला दुस-या खंडावरच्या व्यक्तीशी काही सेकंदातच व्हिडिओ चॅटींगने भ्रमणध्वनीद्वारे संपर्क साधता येता. छोट्या भ्रमणध्वनीवर सिनेमाही पाहता येतो, इतकंच काय तर मुलांच्या सगळ्या प्रश्नांची उत्तरं आज गुगल देत आहे. गुगल असिस्टंट आणि अॅमेझॉन अॅलेक्ससारखे मानवाचे यांत्रिकी स्वीय साहाय्यक झाले आहेत. तंत्रज्ञानामुळे मानव सुखाच्या पाठण्यात झोका घेत आहे. त्याने दैनंदिन कामांचं ओझ तंत्रज्ञानावर टाकलं आहे.

तंत्रज्ञानाने मानवाचे जीवन कितीही सुखी केले तरी असे म्हणतात की “तंत्रज्ञान एक फायदा घेऊन आले की चार तोटे घेऊन येते.” हेही तितकेच खरे आहे. तंत्रज्ञानाच्या वापरामुळे अनेक प्रकारचे आजार जडतात. भ्रमणध्वनी, संगणक, दूरदर्शन यांच्या सततच्या वापराने डोळ्यांचे विकार जडतात. भ्रमणध्वनीतून काही हानिकारक किरणे येतात. ह्या हानिकारक

किरणांनी ट्यूमरसारखे आजार बळावतात. दूरदर्शनला तर इडियट बॉक्सच म्हटले जाते. एखादी व्यक्ती याच्यासमोर बसली की सारे भान विसरून जाते. फ्रिज, एसी यांच्या वापरामुळे ओझोन वायूवर परिणाम होऊन सूर्याची घातक अशी अतिनील किरण थेट पृथ्वीवर येत आहेत. त्याने त्वचेचे विकार होतात. मोटारगाड्या हाही तंत्रज्ञानाचाच भाग आहे. त्यांच्या वापरामुळे ध्वनी व वायुप्रदूषण होते. अनेक मोठमोठ्या यंत्रांनी वेगवेगळ्या प्रकारचे प्रदूषण होऊन नैसर्गिक संकटे उभी राहत आहेत. दररोज वर्तमानपत्रांमध्ये तंत्रज्ञानाच्या उपयोगापेक्षा त्यामुळे होणा-या हानीच्याच बातम्या अधिक असतात. ‘अति तिथं माती’ या उक्तीप्रमाणे तंत्रज्ञानाच्या होणा-या अतिवापरामुळे मानवाला त्याचे दुष्परिणाम भोगावे लागत आहेत. भारतातील उत्तराखंड येथे झालेली नैसर्गिक हानी, सततचे होणारे भूकंप ह्या सर्व गोष्टींना प्रत्यक्ष-अप्रत्यक्षपणे तंत्रज्ञानच जबाबदार आहे. मागील काही वर्षांत मानवाचा मृत्यूपेक्षा इतर विविध कारणांनी अधिक प्रमाणात होतो आहे, हे लक्षात येईल. ही कारणांही तंत्रज्ञानाशी संबंधितच आहे. खरंच तंत्रज्ञानाचा वापर इतका वाढला आहे की तो मानवाच्या मृत्यूचे कारणही बनत आहे. इतके सारे दुष्परिणाम असूनही तंत्रज्ञानाचा मानवाच्या आयुष्यातील वापर अजिबात कमी झालेला नाही.

तंत्रज्ञानाच्या अतिवापराचे मूळ कारण मानवाच्या गरजांमध्ये आहे. मानवाच्या अनाठायी गरजांनी आता हद्द पार केली आहे. ‘गरज ही शोधाची जननी आहे’, असं म्हणतात. मग ती गरज कितीही अनाठायी असली तरी ती पूर्ण करण्यासाठी अनेक शोध लावले जातात. मानवाला आराम हवा असल्याने त्याची सर्व कामे करण्यासाठी यंत्रमानवाचा शोध लावला गेला. सोशल मिडियाच्या शोधामुळे मानवाला दूरवरच्या व्यक्तीशी गप्पा मारता येतात; पण मानव यामुळे जवळच्या व्यक्तीला सोडून दिवसभर सोशल मिडियावर असतो. माणसांमाणसांमधील संवाद हरवला आहे. खरं जग सोडून मानव सोशल मिडियाच्या आभासी जगात व्यस्त आहे. लहान मुलं गेम खेळण्यात गुंग आहेत. त्यांना मैदानावरच्या खेळाची मुळीच ओढ राहिलेली नाही. त्यांच्या वृत्ती हरवत आहे. तंत्रज्ञान नामक निर्जिव गोष्ट मानवाच्या आयुष्यात इतकी महत्त्वाची झाली आहे की मानव कोणत्या सजीव व्यक्तीलाही इतकं महत्त्व आज देत नाही. पूर्वी लोक फिरायला गेल्यावर फोटो काढायचे. आजकाल लोक फोटो काढण्यासाठी फिरायला जातात. या उदाहरणावरून मानवाच्या आयुष्यातील तंत्रज्ञानाचा अतिरेक लक्षात येतो. हो, ही गोष्ट खरी आहे की मानवाच्या आयुष्यात तंत्रज्ञानाचा अतिरेक होत आहे. ही गोष्ट त्रिकालाबाधित सत्य दर्शवित आहे. मानवाने जर हा तंत्रज्ञानाचा धोका वेळीच ओळखला नाही तर त्याचे अस्तित्व धोक्यात येईल. जर मानवाने आपल्या गरजा कमी केल्या तर तंत्रज्ञानाचा वापरही कमी होईल. तसेच तंत्रज्ञानाचे दुष्परिणामही कमी होतील. ‘जब जागो तब सबेरा’ अशी हिंदीत म्हण आहे. मानवाने आता तरी भविष्याचा थोडा विचार करून तंत्रज्ञानाच्या अतिवापरावर आळा घालावा. आता तरी त्याने जागे व्हावे.



माणसा माणसा कधी होशील माणूस

पृथ्वीतलावर सगळ्यात बुद्धि मान व सज्ञान असा समजला जाणारा प्राणी म्हणजेच मनुष्य. ज्याला अगदी काहीही, म्हणजे अशक्य गोष्टीसुद्धा करता येतात असा हा प्राणी. दोन हात, दोन पाय यांचा वापर करून, आपल्या इंद्रियांचा समतोल बरोबर राखून ठेवणारा प्राणी म्हणजे माणूस. पण बदलणा-या विज्ञानामुळे, तंत्रज्ञानामुळे आता जन्माला येणारा माणूस म्हणजे जनावरच म्हणता येईल.

२० साव्या शतकात पदार्पण करणा-या भारतीय नागरिकांत आणि २१ साव्या शतकात पदार्पण करणा-या नागरिकांत अशा कित्येक गोष्टींचा फरक आढळून येतो. आपल्याला २० साव्या शतकातला एक अज्ञानी, बेदंग पण खूप जिवाळा आणि प्रेम देणारा माणूस, दिवसभर कामावरून थकून आल्यानंतर आपला राहिलेला वेळ कुटुंबासोबत अगत्याने घालवणारा माणूस, सण-उत्सव असले की हक्काने नातलगांकडे वेळ घालविणारा आणि हक्काने त्यांना आपलं म्हणणारा माणूस, एखाद्याच्या घरी कार्यक्रम असला की अगदीच निःसंकोचपणे प्रत्येक कामाला हातभार लावणारा माणूस, चांगल्या प्रसंगी साथ देणारा आणि वाईट प्रसंगी हवी तशी पुरेपूर मदत करणारा माणूस, गोंधळलेल्या आणि गजबजलेल्या भल्या मोठ्या शहरात एखाद्या अनोळखी व्यक्तीला निःस्वार्थपणे मदत करणारा माणूसच अशी कित्येक रूपे त्याची जणू देवदूतच! पण २१ साव्या शतकात पदार्पण करणा-या त्या प्राण्याला माणूस म्हणताच येणार नाही, जो हुशार, अतिशिक्षित आहे खरा; पण ‘माणुसकी’ या शब्दाचा अर्थच त्याला माहीत नाही. जो घरी एसीची थंड हवा अंगावर झेलत टीव्ही पाहतो आणि पुन्हा सकाळी उठून अगदीच यंत्रमानवासारखा कामाला जातो. त्या एसीच्या बंद गाडीतल्या खिडकीबाहेर असलेलं जग त्याला कसं कळणार? ज्याने आपल्या मुलांच्या हातात मोबाईलसारखे यंत्र

आणून दिले त्याच्या मुलांच्या मनात त्याच्याबद्दल प्रेम तरी राहिल का? आता दिवाळी असो की गुढीपाडवा सगळ्या शुभेच्छा सोशल मिडीयावर. ज्यांना आपण ओळखतही नाही अशा लोकांना भरभरून शुभेच्छा आणि आपल्या जवळचे नातेवाईक ह्यांना तर साधा कॉल करण्याचीही फुरसत नसते आपल्याला. आमंत्रण आलं तरच जायचं, ते आपल्याशी बोलत नाही; पण मग आपण का बोलायचं त्यांच्याशी, असा अहंकार धरून कित्येक नाती तोडतो आपण. पण खरंच कुल्लक कारणांसाठी अनेक पिढ्या जपलेली नाती इतक्या सहजपणे कशी तुटतात? रस्त्यात अपघात झाला किंवा होणार असेल तर आपण सावधगिरी बाळगून एखाद्याला समजवण्यापेक्षा किंवा मदत करण्यापेक्षा त्याचे व्हिडिओ काढून वायरल करणे का पसंत करतो? एखाद्याचा जीव हा प्रसिद्धीपेक्षा कमी का लेखतो आपण? तंत्रज्ञानात असं काय आहे जे माणुसकीत नाही? अपघात झाल्यानंतर त्या व्यक्तीला मदत करण्यापेक्षा आपल्यावर गुन्हा दाखल होईल, सारख्या पोलीस स्टेशनला चकरा माराव्या लागतील याचाच आपण जास्त विचार करतो. आपल्या या अशा मानसिकतेमुळे अनेक लोकांचा जीव जातो.

शहरात तर प्रॉपर्टीसाठी, हक्कांसाठी सूड घेण्यासाठी आपल्याच परिवारातील लोक एकमेकांना मारतात, अनेकदा हत्याही घडतात. पैसा आणि प्रसिद्धी यांसारख्या क्षणिक मोहांमुळे अनेकांचे बळी जातात. आपल्याला आपल्यातील माणुसकी जपण्याची वेळ आलेली आहे. कारण जर माणुसकी शिल्लक राहिली नाही तर सगळ्यांचीच मने दगडासारखी कठोर होऊन बसतील. कोणी कधीच कोणाची मदत करणार नाही. प्रेम राहणार नाही, जिवाळा उरणार नाही आणि असेल ती फक्त दहशत, भीती, सूडाची भावना, गर्व, अहंकार जो आपल्यातल्या माणसाला जनावरच नव्हे; तर दानव बनवून टाकेल.

PRIZE WINNERS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-18

TOPPERS OF TY BA UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION (2017-18)

English	Shweta Anand
Philosophy	Juliet Miranda
Economics	Alya Haider
Political Science	Suhasini Nair
History	Dolly Furia
Sociology	Shahbaan Kabir
Psychology	Rowena D'cruz

TOPPERS OF TY BSC UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION (2016-17)

Botany	Nikeeta Ghatge
Chemistry	Sanchi Gaikwad
Mathematics	Prachee Angane
Microbiology	Nijammuddin Shaikh
Physics	Marita Coutinho
Zoology	Lakshika Hodar

TOPPERS OF SELF FINANCED COURSES AT TY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION(2016-17)

Biotechnology	Roshni Putta
Computer Science	Wahida Shaikh
Information technology	Parikshit Dokwal
B.M.M. (Advertising)	Yashashree Samant
B.M.M. (Journalism)	Somyajeet Sarkar
B.M.S.	Darryl Saldanha

TOPPERS OF COLLEGE EXAMINATIONS(2016-17)

SY BA	Kalpita Raut
FY BA	Shrushti Sinha
SY B Sc	Seema Thakur
FY B Sc	Kanan Virkar
SY B Sc IT	Ralph Dias
FY B Sc IT	Mihir Chopdekar
FYBAF	Zeel Nayak
SYBAF	Shadab Sayeed
SY BMM,	Snehal Galbaw
FY BMM	Garvita Ayachit
SY BMS	Rohita Thakur
FY BMS	Nikita Chaturvedi

TOPPERS OF JUNIOR COLLEGE(2016-17)

SY JC (Science)	Vaishnavi Bommakanti
SY JC (Arts)	Rahul Singh
FY JC (Science)	Aayash Bhatt

THE WILSONIAN PRIZES(2017-18)

English	Hamza Shaikh	F.Y.BA
Hindi	Varsha Singh	F.Y.BA
Marathi	Hritika Pashte	

NEHRU ESSAY PRIZE(2017-18)

English	Bharati Kaddi	T.Y.BA
Hindi	Jasmine Picardo	S.Y.B.A
Marathi	Tejas Jadyar	

GENERAL JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP AND PRIZES

The William Graham Prize 1 st in SYJC Arts	Rahul Singh
The D B Nayak Memorial Prize 1 st in SYJC (Science)	Tanaij Jain
The Prof. V D Dabholkar Award 1 st in SYJC (Science)	Vaishnavi Bommakanti
The Mrs. Momi A Ochani Scholrship 1 st in FYJC (Science)	Aayash Bhatt
The Sardar Saheb Hirasingsh Ochani Scholarship 1 st in SYJC (Science)	Vaishnavi Bommakanti

GENERAL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP AND PRIZES

The BaiSonnabai Narayan Kanade Prize 1 st Female student at TYBA	Alya Haider
The R.S. Nawalkar Prize Top Ranker at TYBA	Alya Haider
The Md. Ibrahim Bhai Miya Memorial Prize Top Ranker at TYBA	Alya Haider
The Vitthal And Pathak Prize and Comrade S.A Dange Memorial Prize Top Ranker at TYBA	Alya Haider

ENGLISH

Mrs. Vimla Joshi Award for deserving female students in TYBA English	Fatima Rida
The Jini k Jagose Scholarship 1 st in English at 12 th Arts	Maahey Sayani Pavan Singue Hawwa Samplewala
The Annapoornabai Joshi Prize 1 st in 12 th Arts	Rahul Singh

The professor Robert Miller Prize for highest marks in English

1 st in FYBA	Jayalaxmi Nair
1 st in SYBA	Shruti Vanjare
1 st in TYBA	Shweta Anand

Dr. G.B. Gramopadhye Prize for best student

Junior College	Aakansha Puradkar
Degree College	Dhanashree Tohake

MARATHI

The RaoBahadurKaudinya Memorial Prize for highest marks in Marathi

HSC	Amisha Kasrung
FYBA	Dhanashree Tohake

The Prof. M D Altekark Prize for Highest Marks in Marathi

HSC	Swapnil Patil
FYBA	Dhanashree Tohake

The Prof. W L Kulkarni Prize for Highest Marks in TYBA

The Dr. M Altekark Prize for Debate Competition

1 st Prize	Shrutika Wadkar
2 nd Prize	Sidhi Aatkar
3 rd Prize	Vishal Deshmane

The Dr. M Altekark Prize for Essay Competition

1 st Prize	Dhanashree Tohake
2 nd Prize	Diksha Padwal
3 rd Prize	Siddhishree Waghe

The Prof. (Mrs.) SadhanaUpadhye Special Prize

Student of The year

Priyanka Shigvan

The Prof. (Mrs.) SadhanaUpadhye Prize

For creative Writing in Marathi

Ankita Lokhande

PHILOSOPHY

Dr. Indira Borde Memorial Prize

1 st at TYBA	Juliet Miranda
1 st at SYBA	Bashra Shaikh
1 st at FYBA	Jasmine Picardo

The Late Mrs. Suniti Patki Scholarship

1 st at TYBA	Juliet Miranda
2 nd at TYBA	Halima Shaikh
1 st at SYBA	Bashra Shaikh
1 st at FYBA	Jasmine Picardo

The Dr. B.A. Hiwale Prize and Dr. SheryarOokerji Memorial Prize

1 st at TYBA	Juliet Miranda
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ECONOMICS

The Ajit Datar prize

1 st at TYBA	Alya Haider
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Principal Augustine Borde Memorial Prize

1 st at TYBA	Alya Haider
1 st at SYBA	Sameeksha Mahajan
1 st at FYBA	Kripa Chowhan

The Harish Gohil Memorial Prize for The highest Marks in Economics

TYBA	Alya Haider
SYBA	Sameeksha Mahajan

FYBA
SY JC

Kripa Chowhan
Vaishnavi Bohnsle

POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Rev. John Langdon Prize Best Student of Pol. Sc. Anmol Jhadav
The Prof. (Mrs.) AlooDalal Scholarship for The highest Marks in Political Science at TYBA Suhasini Nair

HISTORY

The StrachenMemoraial Prize Highest in SYBA and Majors in History Sabuhi Shamsi
The John Mckenzie Prize 1st in TYBA Dolly Furia
The Smt. Rani Malhotra Memorial Scholarship
Highest in TYBA Dolly Furia
Highest in SYBA Manasvi Dighe
Highest in FYBA Sashank Yadav
The Cherian Memorial Scholarship for academics For an academically good and deserving student Anchal Wade

MATHEMATICS

The Prof. H R Hamley Prize
1st in TYBSc. Prachee Angane
The Miss M S Chitralkha Kalwar Prize
1st in TYBSc. Prachee Angane

The Mr. V R Jamalabad Prize

1st in TYBSc. Prachee Angane
1st in SYBSc. Simran Menezes

PHYSICS

The Prof. V D Dabholkar Award

1st in SYJC (Science) Karan Jain
1st in FYBSc. Kanan Virkar
1st in SYBSc Seema Thakur
1st in TYBSc Marita Coutinho
The Rev. Dr. Mackichan Prize Marita Coutinho
1st in TYBSc
The Renwick Memorial Prize Karan Jain
Highest in SYJC (Science)
The V N Cirvante Prize Karan Jain
1st in SYJC (Science)

CHEMISTRY

The Dr. Normand Commemoration Prize Sanchi Gaikwad
1st in TYBSc
The Prof. P M barve Commemoration Prize Sanchi Gaikwad
1st in TYBSc
The Dr. Fraser Commemoration Prize Sanchi Gaikwad
1st in TYBSc

The prof. Hira Chimulkar prize1st in TYBSc1st in MSc

Sanchi Gaikwad

The Sardar Atursingh G Ochani Scholarship1st in SYJC (Science)

Durva Pathare

Vaishnavi Bommkanti

MICROBIOLOGY**Prema Arya Scholarship**

Swati Nair

Dinesh THEVAR

The Vikrant Khanvilkar Awards for highest marks in

PHYSICS at SYBSc

PHYSICS at FYBSc

CHEMISTRY at SYBSc

CHEMISTRY at FYBSc

BOTANY at SYBSc

BOTANY at FYBSc

ZOOLOGY at SYBSc

ZOOLOGY at FYBSc

MICROBIOLOGY at TYBSc

MICROBIOLOGY at SYBSc

MICROBIOLOGY at FYBSc

MATHEMATICS at SYBSc

MATHEMATICS at FYBSc

STATISTICS at FYBSc

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY at SYBSc

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY at FYBSc

Seema Thakur

Kanan Virkar

Seema Thakur

Tai Mubashira

Raniya Ansari

Afrin Mondal

Raniya Ansari

Tai Mubashira

Nijammuddin Shaikh

Debarshi Mukhrjee

Malavika Pillai

Simran Menezes

Kanan Virkar

Kanan Virkar

Ralph Dias

Mihir Chopdekar

BIOLOGY**The Prof. Hate Prize**

Highest in Biology at FY JC (Science)

The Vishnu Sadashiv Sohoni Prize1st in Physics at TYBSc.1st in Chemistry at TYBSc.1st in Zoology at TYBSc.

Marita Coutinho

Sanchi Gaikwad

Lakshika Hodar

Ms. Padma Solomonraj Scholarship for BMM

SY BMM

FY BMM

Snehal Galbaw

Garvita Ayachit

Ms. Padma Solomonraj Scholarship for deserving girl students

Mary Yadav

Shravani Pawar

Vandana Jogaliya

Sarah Shaikh

Rohini Butekar

The Sathia Daniel Scholarship

Visually Challenged Student with good academic record (Junior College)	Rahul Singh
Visually Challenged Student with good academic record (Degree College)	Ashwin Waghmare
Children of non-teaching staff with highest marks at SSC exams	Nishma Kamat (88.40%)
The Best Male Volunteer (2018-19)	Reev Fernandes (SYBSc)
The Best Female Volunteer (2018-19)	Fatema Jetpurwala(SYBA)
The Best NSS Volunteer (2018-19)	Ashwani Dubey(SYBA)
The Mary Murthy prize (2018-19)	Poornima Kadam (TYBA)
For Female Student with Good Academic Record and Outstanding Social Work	
The Rama Murthy prize (2018-19)	Vignesh Shanbagh
For male Student with Good Academic Record and Outstanding Social Work	
The Anandibai Achyuttrao Kamat Prize (2018-19)	Sameeksha Mahajan (TYBA)
For the best female student	
The Late Raosaheb Achyuttrao Kamat Prize (2018-19)	Reev Fernandes (SYBSc)
For the best male student	
The Romario Rozer Memorial prize(2018-19)	Sameeksha Mahajan (TYBA)

Board / University Examination Result for -2017 - 18

Class	Stream	Total no. of Students	I Distinction	I Class	II Class	Pass Class	Fail Class	Percentage
XI th	ARTS	238	21	101	87	16	13	94.54%
XI th	SCIENCE	542	44	238	200	30	30	94.46%
XII th	ARTS	474	43	196	188	4	43	90.92%
XII th	SCIENCE	232	37	114	66	3	12	94.82%
	TOTAL	1486	145	649	541	53	98	93.40%

Sem V

	Students appeared	Pass Student	Fail student	Passing %
TYBA	221	176	45	79.63%
TYBSc	181	143	38	79.00%
TYBMM	89	86	3	96.62%
TYBMS	126	118	8	93.65
TYBSc IT	50	29	21	58.00

Sem VI

Students appeared	Pass Student	Fail student	Passing %	
TYBA	230	169	61	73.47%
TYBSc	181	143	32	79.00%
TYBMM	89	85	4	95.51
TYBMS	127	109	18	85.83
TYBSc IT	49	35	14	71.43

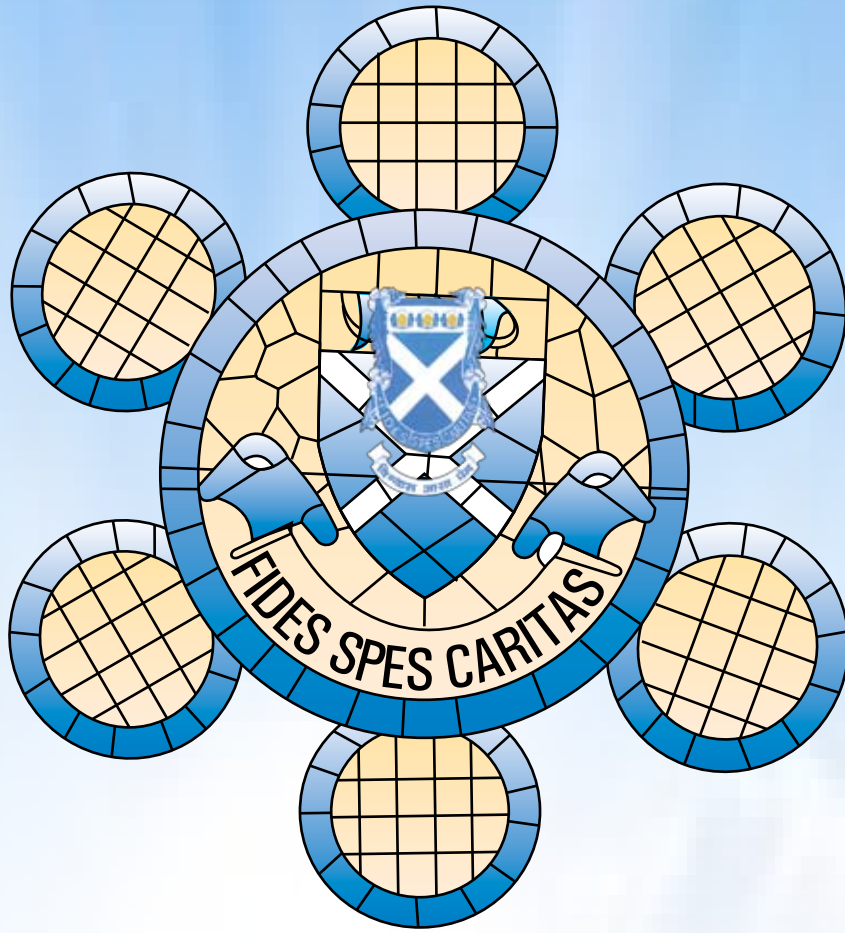


Rev. Dr. John Wilson

Born in Lauder, Scotland on 11th December 1804, he made India his home from 1829 onwards.



Rev. Dr. John Wilson's Birth Place, Scotland



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