

Society of Our Lady of Grace Convent

Pushpanjali College of Education

Papdy , Vasai



Annual Report

2022-23

Welcome to the Annual Report for the year 2022-23.

2022-23 has been a year of mixed feelings at Pushpanjali College of Education. It was nice to be back into face-to-face mode after nearly two years of lockdown and online classes. We thank God for His abundant graces! We invite our readers to read ahead and join us as we unfold the events of the year through text and pictures.

Adieu dear friends!

The year 2022-23 marked the culmination of dedicated service rendered by Principal Dr Mabel Pimenta, faculty member Ms Angelina Nunes and Head Clerk Sr Sushila DSilva. With gratitude filled hearts we bid them farewell in the month of November 2022.

Dr Mabel Pimenta joined the college in 1992 and in 2018 she took charge as the Principal of Pushpanjali College of Education. Her diligent service, willingness to always walk the extra mile and the strong rapport she shared with all stakeholders helped the college to forge ahead on the path of success. She retired on 31 October 2022 after selflessly serving the college for three decades.

Ms Angelina Nunes joined the college in 1993. Her dynamism and foresight were always appreciated. She served the institution faithfully for over 29 years during which she earned a lot of goodwill for the college. She retired on 30 November 2022. We are happy to announce that in March 2023, Ms Angelina Nunes successfully defended her Ph.D thesis and is now Dr Angelina Nunes.

Sr Sushila DSilva joined the college in 2008. Her dedication to her work and approachable nature ensured that the office work was meticulously managed.

Dear Dr Mabel Pimenta, Dr Angelina Nunes and Sr Sushila, our patroness St Therese said "Remember that nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do, all that you do, with love." Love for God and God's people have been the driving force behind your work. We are sure that this spirit of love will continue to echo through all you

do in the future. We wish you all good health and God's blessings in the days to come.



Welcome Sr Delicia!

Sr Delicia Fernandes was appointed as Principal In charge from 21 November 2022. Manager Sr Ansela blessed her as she assumed her new mantle of leadership. Sr Delicia is known for her prudence and conscientiousness and will surely lead Pushpanjali to great heights. We wish her all the very best in her endeavours.



We also welcome our newly appointed faculty members Ms Sonia Bombacha, Ms Steffi DCosta, Sr Cheryl Gladis and Ms Sanika Asolkar who joined the college in 2022-23.

NAAC Sponsored National level Webinar 15 Sept 2022

A NAAC Sponsored Webinar was organized on 15 Sept 2022 by Society of Our Lady of Grace Convent Pushpanjali College of Education, Vasai. The theme of the webinar was 'Quality Assurance in the Light of NEP 2020'. More than 80 participants, comprising of Principals, teacher-educators, research scholars, and student-teachers from schools and colleges across India benefited from the webinar. The main objective of the webinar was to stimulate a discussion regarding the role of HEIs in ushering an ethos of quality as envisaged by the NEP 2020. Principal Dr Mabel Pimenta welcomed the participants and shared the rationale of the webinar.

Technical Session One: NEP 2020 and Vision for 21st Century Education

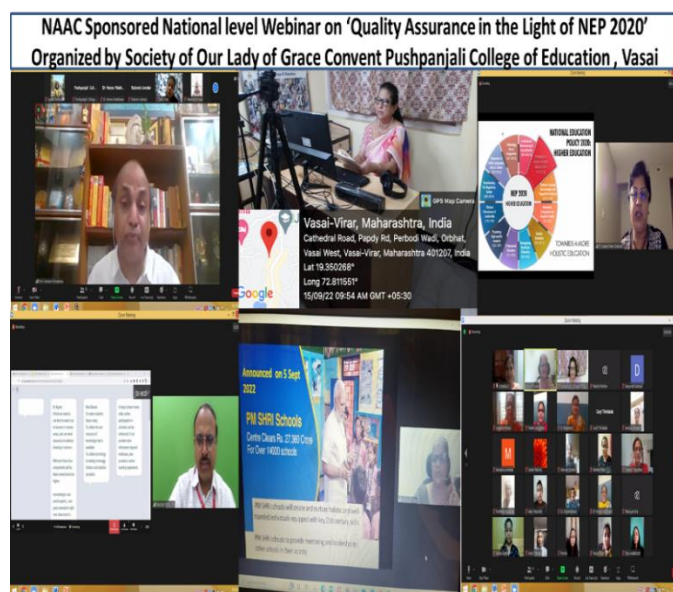
The resource person for this session Prof Asheesh Srivastava of Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana (Institute of Education), Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan referred to Tagore's vision for Indian education and traced the important constitutional bases that emphasize the significance of education for all.

Technical Session Two: Use of Technology in promoting Optimal Learning Environments

Shri Mandar Bhanushe, Head, Dept of Mathematics, Institute of Distance Learning, University of Mumbai elucidated how students should be able to select tools to help them obtain information, analyse and synthesize the information. He got the participants to discuss their views on the four key components of quality learning viz active engagement, participation, participation in groups, frequent interaction and feedback and connecting to real world experts.

Technical Session Three: Embedding Teacher Education in the Multi-disciplinary context

Dr Asawari Bhawe Gudipudi, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences; Principal, School of Education & Research, MIT Art, Design and Technology University, Pune was the resource person. She gave a bird's eye view of NEP 2020 and its recommendations. She further elucidated the benefits of multi-disciplinary education such as development of collaboration skills, learning without boundaries, making learning relevant and contextual and having different perspectives.



Session Four: Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework: Reflections in the Light of NEP 2020

A discussion was held on the topic 'Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework and

Institutional Preparedness in the light of NEP 2020'. Dr Agnes DCosta, Associate Professor, Pushpanjali College of Education, Vasai elucidated about the revised NAAC Accreditation Framework and the criteria therein. She led the participants to deliberate upon institutional preparedness with respect to NEP.

The paper reading session gave new insights to the changes that will be part of the educational landscape in the years ahead. Principal Dr Mabel Pimenta thanked the participants and said that the college would further organize session to facilitate intellectual discussions on pertinent topics.

The webinar was a success due to the mentorship provided by Dr Mabel Pimenta and the whole hearted efforts of the teaching faculty.

Sparkling performance by the batch of 2020-22

The batch of 2020-22 was admitted in unprecedented situations. As the shadow of Covid 19 loomed large over all of us, a volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous atmosphere prevailed. Yet the batch of 2020-22 surpassed all hurdles and brought the college a cent percent result. Three students got an O grade, 38 secured an A+ grade, 8 students got an A grade and one student was placed in B grade. Ms Erusha DCosta with CGPA 10 (88.39%), Ms Shailja Kanodia with a CGPA of 10 (87.39%) and Br Griban DSilva CGPA 10 and 86.44% were the top three rankers. We congratulate all the students for this sparkling performance. It is heartening to note that all of them have secured good jobs.

Highlights of Internship Programme

Internship is an important aspect of any Teacher Education Programme. The Internship for Semesters 2,3 and 4 were successfully implemented due to the cooperation of our internship schools. Sr Delicia Fernandes coordinated the internship for Semester 2 and Ms Sonia Bombacha coordinated the internship for Semesters 3 and 4. Besides delivering the

stipulated lessons, students conducted their action research programmes, assisted schools in co-curricular activities and conducted career guidance sessions for the school students. Some glimpses of our dynamic students during their internship.





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In order to ensure a successful internship, a series of workshops were organized so that students could grasp the essential elements of lesson planning, teaching learning and evaluation.

Workshops in Learning Outcomes and Lesson Planning were on 9 July 2022. Teaching Skills Workshop was conducted from 11 to 18 July 2022.



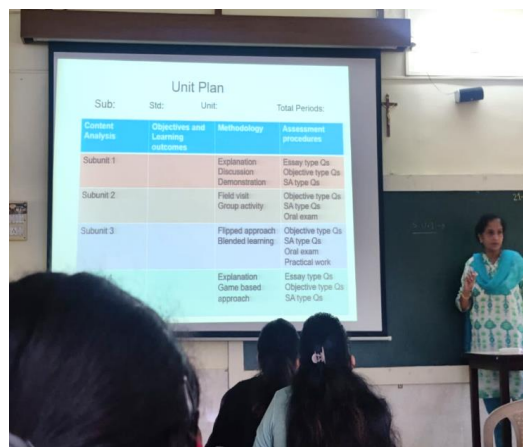


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Unit Test Workshop: Assessment is an important aspect of the teaching learning process. The unit test workshop held on 22-23 Sept 2022 helped students to draw a Year's plan, Unit Plan and design a test bearing in mind all features of a good test. Students also analyzed the question paper and formulated the scoring key.



Pushpadeep enlightens

PUSHPADEEP (Pushpanjali's Dept of Extension Education Programmes) always conducts programmes that help students enrich their curricular experiences. The following Certificate Courses were conducted from June 2022 to May 2023.

A Value Added Certificate Course 'Barefoot Counselling' was held from 26 to 30 Sept 2022 . Dr Mabel Pimenta and Ms Angelina Nunes were the resource persons. They oriented students to the basics of counselling and guided them regarding self-awareness, identification of students' problems and strategies to deal with the

same. Case studies, videos and activities were incorporated for elucidating the concepts.

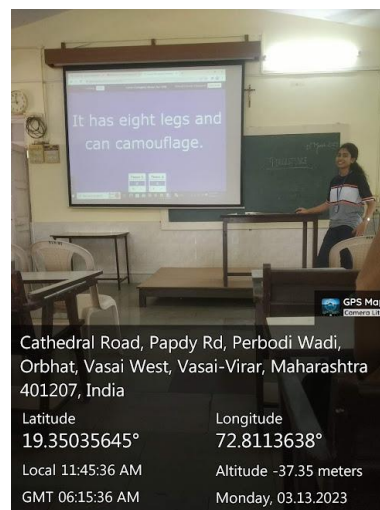


A Two Credit **Value Added Certificate Course on E Content Development** was organised from 5 Jan to 17 Jan 2023. Students prepared E content using Wordwall, Kahoot, Canva, Storyjumper and Padlet. They also converted presentations to videos. Ms Winona Gomes, Ms Rovina DMello, Ms Stiyana Fernandes, Ms Sheryl Dcunha, Ms Glysum Ferreira, Ms Sabah Khan. Ms Yogita Singh, Ms Supriya Pereira were the resource persons. Dr Agnes DCosta coordinated the course which was conducted in blended mode.



A Value-Added Course on **Apps in Education** was conducted from 11 to 15 March 2023 under the mentorship of Dr Agnes DCosta. Apps like Flippity, Jeopardy, Mindmup, Thinglink were demonstrated to students. They used the Apps to create interesting learning resources. These were

duly shared on the Google Classroom. Students used Arloopa to make videos incorporating Augmented Reality. They also created E portfolios using Google sites and explored the use of Diksha app and online laboratories.



A **Certificate Course in Communication Skills** was conducted in March 2023. Sr Delicia Fernandes, Dr Cerena Dcunha, Dr Agnes DCosta and Ms Steffi DCosta were the resource persons and they conducted activities with emphasis on public speaking, listening, reading and writing skills and use of proper stress and intonation while speaking. Dr Cerena Dcunha, Asso Professor St Teresa's Institute of Education conducted workshop on Grammar in oral and written communication.



Yoga Workshop

As part of the 75th anniversary celebrations of our Independence Day, a workshop entitled 'Embrace Yoga, Embrace Life' was organised on 23 July 2022. It helped us to discover the immense wealth of Yoga, an integral part of India's heritage. The resource person Ms. Riya DCunha demonstrated various asanas and breathing techniques. The faculty and students practised the same under supervision.



Workshop on Game Based pedagogy

A workshop on Game Based Pedagogy was organised on 9 July 2022. Dr Agnes Dcosta demonstrated the use of various games that can be incorporated in the classroom. Students participated in simple games like Housie, Where are You, card games, crosswords, antakshari and Snakes and Ladders which were adapted to

promote self-learning in an ethos of interactivity and fun.



Workshop on Effective Classroom Communication

On 23 July, a workshop on Effective Classroom Communication was conducted by Ms Ranjeeta Gomes, Co ordinator St Augustine's High School. Ms Ranjeeta shared many anecdotes and examples to emphasize how a teacher needs to be empathetic, creative, unique and mindful in order to have a healthy connection with the class. She also conducted some activities to reinforce the essential components of effective communication.



Session on Understanding the Differently abled learners

On 27 Aug 2022, Special Educator Ms Suchitra Almeida, addressed the students on 'Understanding Differently Abled Learners'. She shared how children with dyslexia, dyscalculia and dysgraphia face many hurdles while learning. She emphasized that these learners have their own set of assets and teachers need to cater to the same so that they also can reach to the best of their potential.



Expert Lecture on Children with Special Needs



Workshop on Individualised Education Plans (IEP)

Ms Laura Dias, a special educator, conducted a workshop on designing Individualised Education Plans (IEP). The students were oriented to the need and special aspects of IEP. They drew up IEPs under the supervision of Ms Steffie Dcosta and Ms Sonia Bombacha.



On 20 April 2023, Dr Mabel Pimenta, Counsellor and Former Principal of Pushpanjali College of Education conducted a session on Children with Special Needs (CWSN). She elucidated the characteristics of different types of learners and

also gave enriched inputs regarding how to identify and nurture the potential of such learners. She reinforced the fact that inclusive educators believe in valuing student differences and supporting their learning needs through the best possible way. The session helped the students to be committed to the cause of inclusive education.

Visit to National English ICSE school and Workshop on Charged Classrooms

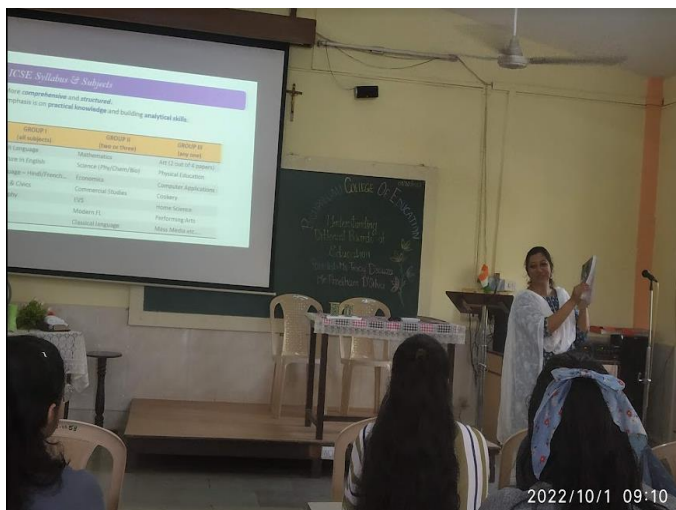


On 24 Sept 2022, students visited National English High School to experience how the school edifice and ambience contribute to experiential learning. Here students saw various learning resources that promote multisensory learning. Ms Gaurangini and Sir Shreeyash Shetty conducted the school tour and guided the students during this enriching experience. Ms Gaurangini also conducted a workshop on Charged Classrooms. She demonstrated many participatory activities that can energise and enliven a classroom thus providing the right ambience to learn in a stress free and stimulating environment.



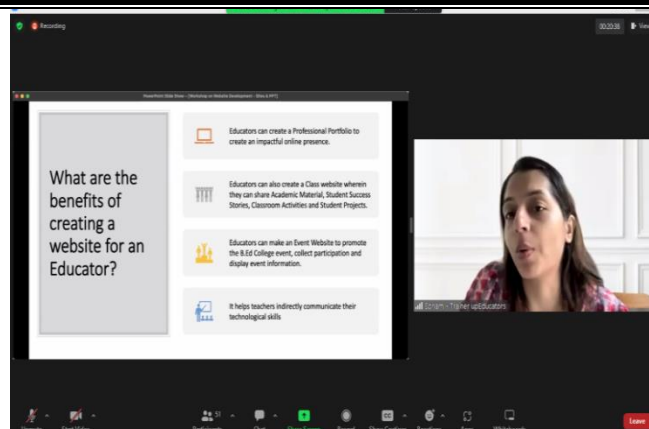
Understanding Different Boards of Education

On 1 Oct 2022, Ms Tracy D'Souza discussed the various aspects of ICSE Board while Mr Preetham D'Silva elucidated about IB and IGCSE Boards. The interaction with the experts helped to get insights into the syllabi, functioning and evaluation patterns of different Boards.



Workshop on Google Sites

On 21 November 2022, the IQAC organised a workshop on Creating an Educational website. The workshop was conducted in collaboration with upEducator, a Google Partner for Education. Resource Person Ms Sonam Chavan guided students and faculty to create a website, add carousel images and social media buttons and publish the website. The hands-on experience helped to create a platform that functions as a professional portfolio that can be used to showcase Academic Material, Student Success Stories, Classroom Activities & Student Projects. Ms Sonam Chavan also helped students to convert presentations to videos. The top performer of the workshop Ms Glysam Ferreira got a 100% scholarship for Google Certified Educator Certification Course.



Workshop on Puppet Making

A workshop in making Puppets was held on 7 Jan 2023. Ms Winona Gomes, Ms Alvira Ansari and Ms Lita Jameschettiar were the resource persons. Students made stick puppets, wool puppets, puppets from spare material like paper bags, card paper, cloth and ice cream cups. The resource persons also demonstrated how to use the puppets to narrate stories.



Workshop on Stress Management

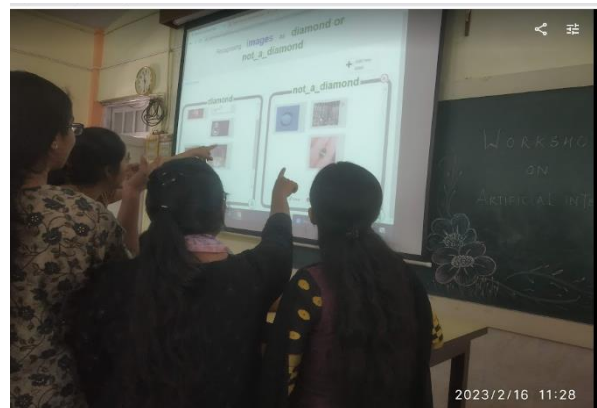
On 4 February 2023, our alumnus Ms Aishwarya Jadhav conducted a workshop on Stress Management. She led the participants to understand the stress cycle, identify stressors, differentiate between stress and eustress. The students learned techniques of pranayama and yogasanas which can help to address stress. Ms Aishwarya elucidated the need for teachers to handle their own stress with equanimity.



Workshop on Artificial Intelligence

A two day workshop on Artificial Intelligence was conducted by Dr Agnes Dcosta. The students learned the basics of AI and had hands-on experience in training a model for Machine Learning. They also explored some AI based

platforms like ChatGPT and had a discussion on the significance of AI in Education.



Art and Craft workshop

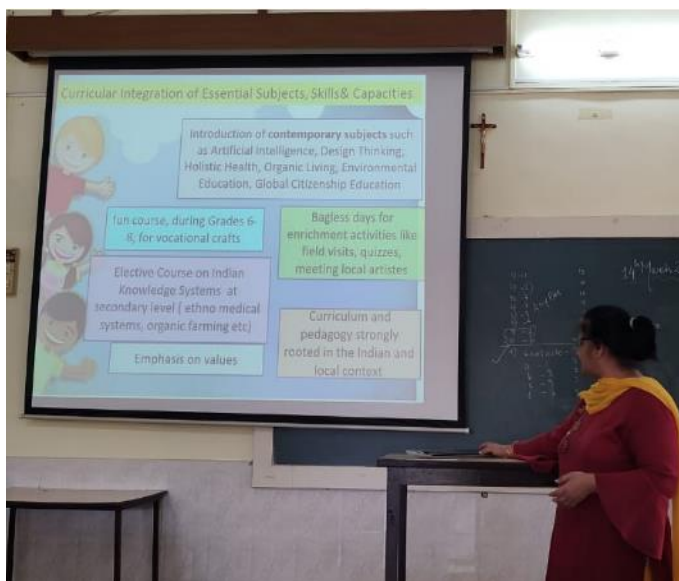


An Art and Craft Workshop was organised on 9 and 10 March 2023. Resource persons from Pidilite industries demonstrated clay moulding, T shirt painting, glass painting and a host of other art and craft based activities. The students showcased their creative products. Dr Sheetal Chaudhari and Sr Cheryl coordinated the workshop.



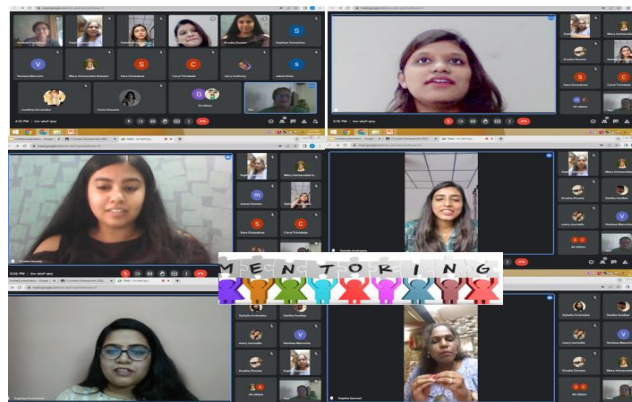
Expert session on NEP 2020

On 14 March 2023, Dr Agnes Dcosta elucidated the main features and the recommendations of National Education Policy (NEP 2020) to the students of F.Y.B.Ed. The role of the teacher, the changes envisaged in the curriculum and in assessment were also discussed.



Mentoring for internship

On 26 July 2022, five of our alumni addressed the FYBED students to guide them about the Internship programme. Ms. Erusha Dcosta discussed how English lessons can be made interactive and interesting. Ms. Sybella Andrades shared how History classrooms can be lively and animated. Ms. Sophiya Gonsalves elucidated how Mathematics can be made realistic while Ms. Sophia Samuel elaborated various ways to have interactive Science lessons. Ms. Sanika Asolkar shared tips to make Commerce lessons effective.



Student Council Elections

The Investiture Ceremony of the Student Council for 2022-24 batch was held on 8 Feb 2023. The Council members took their oath and received their badges from Principal Sr Delicia. The Student Council of the batch of 2021-23 conducted the assembly on the theme 'Leadership' and Ms Sara Gonsalves addressed the newly formed Student Council highlighting the significant role the Council plays in the smooth working of the college.



The Student Council of the 2022-24 batch comprise of Fr Alex, Ms Mary Blessy George, Ms Mansi Gohil, Ms Andrea Dsouza, Ms Riya Lopes, Ms Imaan Ranje.

Co curricular activities

A number of co curricular activities were organised and these helped students to showcase their talents and gain confidence.

Street Play Workshop



On 8 Feb 2023, Shri Juran Lopes and Shri Maxwell Rose were resource persons for a workshop on the presentation of Street Play. The students participated enthusiastically in the same as they learned how to use street play as a medium for spreading social awareness and

initiating social change. Dr Sheetal Chudhari and Ms Steffi DCosta coordinated the workshop.

Students scripted and presented street plays on relevant themes like Road Safety, Substance Abuse and Addiction to Devices. This competition was held on 28 March.



Talent Display

The students of FYBED showcased their versatile personalities as they presented energetic dances and charmed us with their melodious singing during the Talent Display programme held on 6 February 2023. . They displayed their culinary skills . They also displayed their art work in the form of painting, crochet work, craft articles, nail art, mehendi and articles made by recycling material.



Azadi ka Amritmohotsav





The 75th anniversary of India's Independence was observed through a series of programmes that highlighted the sacrifice of our freedom fighters. Students put up displays enacted historical events and presented the saga of Indian independence movement through their activities. These celebrations were spread over a week prior to 15 August.

Teachers' Day Programme



Teachers' Day was celebrated on 5 September through an assembly that focused on the significance of the day. Students expressed genuine feelings of appreciation for the hard work put in by the teachers. Thereafter a joint programme was organised with the other educational institutions in the campus.

Diwali Celebration

Diwali was celebrated through special assemblies that highlighted the significance of the different days of the festival. A diya decoration and lantern making competition saw the enthusiastic participation of the students. A food festival was organised and it gave us the joy of relishing delicacies from different parts of India.



Christmas Celebrations

Christmas was duly observed with a prayer service that showcased a tableau on the birth of Lord Jesus. This was followed by some carol singing. A joint celebration was hosted with our sister institutions and there was much fun and frolic as Santa Claus joined the celebrations.

Pushpanjali Day Celebrations

1 October is celebrated as Pushpanjali Day as it is the Feast of St Therese, the patroness of the college. A prayer service highlighting the virtues of St Therese was followed by a dance drama depicting her life. The Student Council under the mentorship of Dr Agnes Dcosta and Ms Steffie Dcosta organised the programme.



Republic Day 2023

Republic Day was observed on 26 January 2023 along with the other institutions run by the management. The flag was hoisted by Sr Julie, Principal of St Aloysius D.L.Ed College. Patriotic songs and speeches brought out the significance of the day. On 25 January Ms Mansi, Ms Rachel and Ms Jhanvi conducted a special assembly that explained the meaning of a Republic. A kahoot

quiz was conducted. Students prepared posters on themes related to Republic Day.



Special assemblies and student led presentations

Session on Indian Sign Language



Indian Sign Language (ISL) is used by hearing impaired people and those who cannot speak. An

informative and enriching session on ISL was conducted by Ms Supriya Pereira on 19 Sept 2022. She highlighted the difficulties faced by the deaf- mute through activities. Then she demonstrated different signs used in ISL and these were practised by the faculty and students.

Constitution Day

Constitution Day was observed on 26 Nov 2022. The assembly was organised by Itihaas History Club. Ms Vellina Dabre elucidated the significance of the day by tracing the important milestones in the history of the Indian Constitution. The Preamble was read by all and time was spent reflecting on the values enshrined in the same.



International AIDS Day



International AIDS Day was observed on 1 Dec 2022. Ms . Glysam Ferreira discussed the theme Putting Ourselves to the Test: Achieving Equity to end HIV and highlighted the need to be empathetic to HIV infected. A small

dramatization was enacted to dispel myths that are associated with AIDS.

World Human Rights Day

A special assembly was held to observe International Day of Human Rights. Ms Sania Furtado elucidated the significance of the day and explained the highlights of the UN Declaration of Human Rights. A reflective exercise was held to emphasize our role in protection of human rights.



World Braille Day

World Braille Day was observed on 4 Jan 2023. The students presented the life of Louis Braille and the events that led to the invention of Braille. Empathy towards persons with visual impairment was created. Awareness about vision impairment and the steps that can be taken to avail the condition of such persons was discussed. The presentation was conducted by Ms Glysam Ferreira, Ms Sabah Khan and Ms Naziya Khan.





National Youth Day

National Youth Day was observed on 12 January to commemorate the birthday of Swami Vivekananda, one of India's greatest spiritual and social leaders. Ms Sheryl Dcunha elucidated the theme of the day "Viksit Yuva-Viksit Bharat. The ideals and teachings of Swami Vivekananda were presented and the students reflected on social responsibility of youth.



World Health Day

World Health Day is observed on 7 April. The day was marked by a special assembly where Ms Glysam Ferreira and Ms Sharon Gonsalves led the audience into a deliberation on how health is affected by environment. Videos, statistical information and a quiz highlighted the theme for the year 'Health for All'.

Community Work

The students participated in many outreach activities and rendered service in a variety of ways.

Beach cleaning at Bhuigaon Beach : Beach cleaning activity was organized at Bhuigaon beach on 12 February 2023. Ms Zsuanna Ferrao an environmentalist and crusader for clean beaches galvanized the students into action by first orienting them about the need for clean beaches. Students cleaned the beach and the garbage of glass discards; plastic waste was separated for disposal by the local authorities. Ms Ferrao also explained the mangrove conservation project and elucidated how mangroves are an integral part of the local ecosystem





Safe disposal of Plastic

Plastic has become a menace as one-time plastic is used and thrown around. Plastic usage needs to be minimalized and there is need to opt for eco-friendly packaging material. With this end in view, students of FYBED spread awareness of the perils of plastic and also urged people to dispose plastic in a safe manner. Discarded household plastic was collected and handed over to Save the Earth Foundation which is an NGO that helps to convert plastic waste to eco bricks. This programme was organized on 25 March 2023 under the guidance of Dr Sheetal Chaudhari and Ms Steffi DCosta.



Remedial Classes

Students of SYBED organised remedial class for students studying in St Elizabeth Convent High school and taught them English and Mathematics. These students are from marginalised families and they lived in the school boarding. Fun activities and games were amply used to help them learn basic concepts in English grammar and Mathematics. Students of FYBED adopted the Each one Teach one programme to teach needy children in their vicinity.



Visit to Don Bosco Vikas Sanstha

Students and faculty visited Don Bosco Vikas Sanstha on 22 Nov 2022. Students conducted sessions on Life Skills for the students of the technical school. They interacted with the centre in charge and got first hand information about how skill development courses are helping those in geographically disadvantaged areas.





Jadui Pitara initiative

Jadui Pitara is an NCERT initiative and it includes content that is needed in any school for the Foundational Stage, it has toys, games, puzzles, puppets, posters, flashcards, story cards, playbooks for students, and handbooks for teachers. It is intended to be a learning experience that is designed to strengthen conceptual understanding amongst learners. Students prepared learning resources like flash cards, puppets, dioramas and manipulatives and presented the same to S.S Dhuri High School as part of the Jadui Pitara initiative.



Pushpaganit Mathematics Club activities

Students of Mathematics Pedagogy organized a Mathematics Fest on 23rd Sept 2022. They conducted the morning assembly highlighting the significance of Mathematics in daily life. A multimedia presentation on the life of Srinivasa Ramanujan threw light on his brilliant work. Games and activities based on Mathematics were conducted. Participants played Math Bingo. Tangrams were exhibited to showcase the aesthetic values inherent in Mathematics. Ms Angelina Nunes mentored the students.



On 15th Oct 2022, Pushpaganit Mathematics club organised a Mathematics trail to the Children's Park and Lake Garden, Tamtalao. Ms Angelina Nunes guided the students how Mathematics can be studied in a practical way by measurements and analysis. The trail was a learning experience to realize how real-world activities and interdisciplinary learning can lead to constructivist learning.



Rucha Club Activities

Hindi Day Celebrations

Hindi Day was observed on 14 September. Ms Flavia Pereira conducted the assembly. An action song enthused the gathering. Thereafter Ms Flavia highlighted the importance of the day as on 14 September 1949, the Constituent Assembly adopted Hindi as the official language of India.



Reading Day

15th Oct is celebrated as Reading Day or Vachan Prerna Divas to commemorate the birth anniversary of Late President A. P. J Abdul Kalam. Rucha Literature Club celebrated the day

with Ms Serene Almeida emphasizing the importance of reading. A video helped to understand the inspiring story of Dr Kalam's life. Ms Rovina DMello presented a review of the book 'Wings of Fire' and Ms Sancia Pereira presented the review of the book 'I am Malala'. A quiz on books written by Dr Kalam was conducted via Kahoot app.



Bhartiya Bhasha Diwas

11th Dec is the birth anniversary of poet Subramania Bharati, a pioneer of modern Tamil poetry who penned songs to kindle patriotism during the Independence movement. 11th Dec 2022 being a Sunday, the day was observed on 12th Dec as Bhartiya Bhasha Divas to create "language harmony" and develop a conducive environment for learning Indian languages. Ms. Prarthana Rajapkar highlighted the significance of the day and emphasized how languages have enriched our culture. During the past five

decades, many Indian languages have become extinct. Hence the need to conserve languages as duly discussed. The role of teachers in preserving the linguistic diversity and recommendations of NEP 2020 were deliberated upon.



Marathi Rajbhasa Diwas

27th February, the birth anniversary of well known Marathi poet Kusumagraj, is observed as Marathi Rajbhasa Diwas. Glimpses of the richness of Marathi culture were showcased by the students.

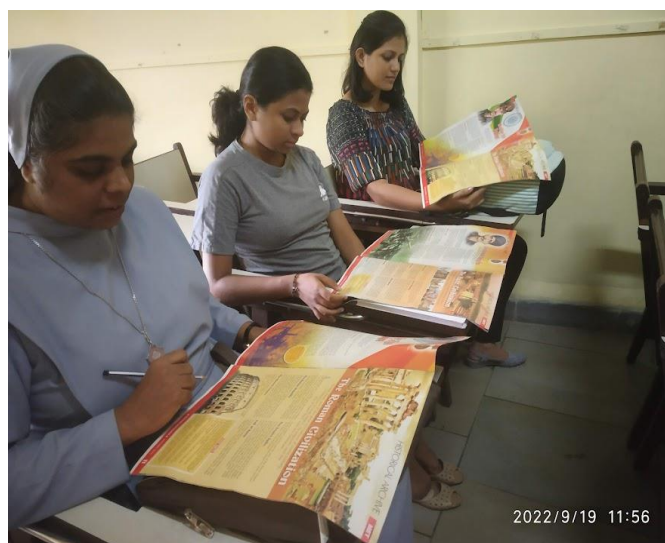


Itihaas History Club activities

Itihaas History Club organised a field trip to Vasai Fort. Dr Agnes Dcosta and Ms Noresca guided the students about the history of the fort which has seen significant events related to Portuguese, Maratha and British rule. The students observed the strong ramparts, the ruins of the citadel, churches and bastions and tried to reconstruct the past from the first hand sources.



Students of History pedagogy had an enriching time exploring how print media such as magazines and newspapers can support teaching-learning of History and Political Science. They identified articles that can enliven a History class and reflected over how these articles can be used by teachers to foster discussion and historical thinking.



Eureka Science Club activities

On 15 Oct 2022, Eureka Science Club organised a field trip to the Municipal Lake Gardens at Tamtalao. Dr Sheetal Chaudhari guided the students as they explored the flora and fauna of the place. Students identified various species and observed the lake ecosystem. The visit to the biogas plants on the premises was an enriching experience.



On 28 February Eureka Science Club conducted a special assembly to mark National Science Day. The significance of the day was explained. Activities depicting the application of science in daily life were demonstrated.



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Immensa Commerce Club Activities

On 15 Oct 2022, Immensa Commerce Club organized a field visit to Reserve Bank of India Museum at Churchgate. Ms. Steffi Dcosta guided the students to see how exhibits of the representative coinage of India, paper currency, gold bars as well as financial instruments help us learn. Later the students also visited Asiatic Library which has treasures of books and periodicals, ancient manuscripts, painted folios, coins, artefacts, maps and prints. The students also visited Bassien Catholic Co-operative bank to understand the functioning of the bank.



World Environment Day is observed on 5 June. As the day fell during the summer break, World Environment Day was duly observed on 4 July 2022 when the college reopened for Semester Two. Ms Yogita Singh presented her prize winning presentation to elucidate the theme 'Only One Earth'. She elaborated how one can invest in contributing to a clean environment. Ms. Sara Almeida conducted a quiz tactfully integrating her award-winning poster to raise awareness about environmental responsibilities.

World Water Day

World Water Day 2023 was observed through a special assembly hosted by Ms Supriya Pereira and Ms Sweenal Pereira. The assembly focused on SDG 6 Water and Sanitation for all by 2030. Activities, reflections, slogan writing and a quiz motivated everyone to be an active participant in water conservation. A pledge to conserve water was also taken by all.



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Vasundhara Environmental Club Activities



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Session on Waste Management

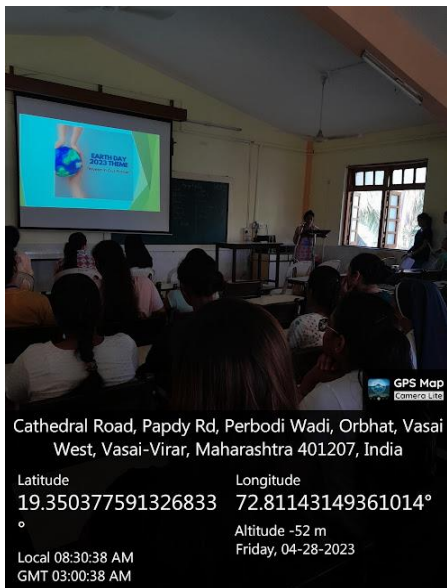
A session on Waste Management was conducted by Ms Diya Vadukkoot and Ms Bindi Shah. They explained the need for waste management through a series of activities. Ms Bindi Shah demonstrated how household kitchen waste can be easily converted to fertile compost. Ms Diya shared her interview with a local Municipal worker to highlight how citizens can contribute to

a clean environment by following simple waste management practices. A brief summary of the waste management in the town was presented.



World Earth Day

World Earth Day is annually observed on 22 April. A special programme was held to mark the day on 28 April 2023. Ms Sherona DMello, Ms Arpita Andrandes and Ms Jobina Rumao highlighted the significance of the day, shared tips towards sustainable living and conducted a Kahoot quiz on the topic.



Aweshan Cell Activities



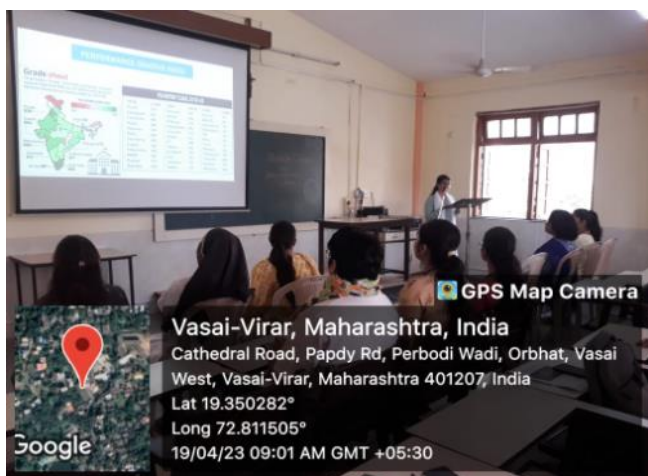
Paper Reading Sessions

Anweshan Research Cell organised a Paper Reading Session on 20 Sept 2022. Sr Jerry Anthony presented her paper on ‘Problems faced by teachers during online teaching’ and Ms Sweenal Pereira presented her paper on ‘Experience of students during online class’. The presenters presented the analysis of the data collected and also share their conclusions from the studies.



On 8 May 2023, the college felicitated former faculty member Dr Angelina Nunes, former librarian Dr Pradnya Bhosekar and alumni Dr Reshma Rodrigues and Dr Mildred Gonsalves for the successfully completing their doctoral researches. They also presented a gist of their research findings and thus enlightened the audience on various topics.

Student led symposium



Students presented data analysis of the education scenarios in different Indian states. The series was conducted from 17 to 21 April 2023. Ms Blessy, Ms Maan, Ms Richita, Ms Shruti and Ms Nisha analysed the data based on the Performance Grading Index (PGI) scores. They also showcased some innovative experiments in education followed in some states.

Student led seminars were held in the Course Environmental Education where Ms Sara Gonsalves spoke on Stockholm conference, Ms Alvira Ansari discussed the Inter-Governmental Conference for

Climate Change and Ms Ciola Pen and Ms Yogita Singh elucidated Project Tiger. The session was held to mark fifty years of Project Tiger.



In the Course Knowledge and Curriculum, the educational contribution of different philosophers was explored through student led seminars.

To commemorate Intellectual Property Rights Day and spread awareness on the same Fr Alex Simon elucidated the various aspects of Property Rights and dwelt on the theme for 2023 'Women and IP: Accelerating innovation and creativity.'



Action research

During the academic year 2022-23, students conducted Action research on the following topics:

- Study of Effectiveness of 7E approach in learning Science (guided by Dr Sheetal Chaudhari)
- Study of Art based strategies in Learning History (guided by Dr Agnes DCosta)
- Games based pedagogy in teaching Grammar (guided by Sr Delicia Fernandes)
- Experiential Learning in Mathematics (guided by Ms Steffi DCosta)
- Awareness of Cybersecurity and safety among students of Thomas Baptista Junior College (guided by Ms Sonia Bombacha)

On 13th May 2023, students presented the research findings of their action research conducted during the year.

Electoral Literacy Club

PUSHPANJALI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

ORGANISES

DIGITAL POSTER MAKING COMPETITION

THEME: ELECTORAL LITERACY

SUB THEMES:

1. DEMOCRACY- THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE
2. MY VOTE IS MY RIGHT/ THE VALUE OF A VOTE
3. INCLUSIVE ELECTION- EVERY VOTE COUNTS THE SAME
4. ETHICAL AND INFORMED VOTING

5. VOTER EDUCATION- AN UNDERMINED NECESSITY

Submission deadline: 15th May, 2023

Submit to: steffi.dcosta@pushpanjalicollege.com



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The Electoral Literacy Club of the college organized a special programme on 12th May 2023 where the significance of exercising one's vote were discussed. The role of Election Commission of India and our very own responsibilities as voters were elucidated by Ms. Cheryl and Ms. Jessica. Students participated in a Digital Poster Competition based on the theme. The programme was carried out under the guidance of faculty member Ms. Steffi D'costa.

Activities of Streevani Women's Development Cell

International Women's Day was observed on 8 March 2023. The theme for the year DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality was elaborated during the assembly conducted by Ms. Rachel Gomes. A short video prepared by the students was showcased. This was followed by short enactments on the lives of empowered women.




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Placement Cell Activities

Pushpajot Placement Cell organized placement activities. Ms Divya Tiwari, Ms Pinky Tripathi and Ms Kiran Menon of Thakur Ramnarain Public School visited the college for placement interviews on 25th November 2022. Ms Jaya Sharma and Ms Bina Raikar from Seth Vidyamandir conducted interviews on 22nd December 2022. Ms Steffi DMello Vaidya and

team represented Rustomjee Cambridge IGCSE School and conducted interviews on 19 January 2023 and Mr Zubin and team from I Global School visited the college on 15th March 2023 for interviews. Prior to the Placement interviews, Dr Agnes DCosta conducted a session on writing a CV and also guided the students regarding online applications. Ms Yogita Singh demonstrated how to create a LinkedIn profile.



The quality related programmes conducted under the aegis of IQAC include conducting Value-Added Certificate Courses, motivating students to take up self-study courses by Central Institute of Educational Technology (CIET), organizing in house programmes for faculty development.

An orientation session to details of Curriculum Planning was held on 8 April 2023 where Dr Agnes Dcosta elucidated the process of curriculum planning, the significance of CLOs and PLOs and documentation needed in this aspect.

The IQAC was continually involved in quality enhancement through conducting need-based analysis, procuring and analyzing feedback, mentoring the faculty with respect to quality measures and using contemporary ways to enhance the effectiveness of all curricular transactions.

MoU with St Teresa's Institute of Education

As part of the MoU signed with St Teresa's Institute of Education in January 2022, both institutions collaboratively conducted the following programmes for quality enhancement.

International Webinar on Revisiting Education – Holistic Development Through Empowered Minds

On 6th May 2023 the Alumni Associations of St. Teresa's Institute of Education, Santacruz and Pushpanjali College of Education, Vasai jointly organized an international webinar on the theme Revisiting Education – Holistic Development



IQAC News

IQAC meetings were held on 6 August 2022, 28 Sept 2022 and 15 February 2023. The members deliberated on various aspects of Quality Assurance. The AQAR of 2020-21 was submitted on 23 June 2022 and was accepted by NAAC on 27 June 2022. The Plan of Action for 2022-23 was discussed.

Through Empowered Minds. The webinar was attended by approximately 200 Principals, teacher educators, teachers in schools and colleges and student-teachers. Mr John Leonard, teacher in North Carolina school enlightened the participants on the topic 'Innovations in Education in the view of Digital Transformation' as he emphasized the need to dovetail technology into the teaching learning process. Dr Gauri Hardikar, Counsellor threw light on 'Emerging Importance of Holistic Wellbeing of Students and Faculty' where she elucidated how life skills can be an integral part of education to ensure holistic wellbeing. In the third session, Ms Upasana spoke on 'Quality Concerns in School Education - Towards a Transformative Curriculum' where she spelt out how teachers guided by NEP 2020 can contribute to creating a transformative curriculum. The webinar was effectively managed by the alumni of the two institutions.

Webinar on Preparing for 4th cycle of NAAC

On 4 March 2023, the IQACs of St. Teresa's Institute of Education, Santacruz and Pushpanjali College of Education, Vasai jointly organised a webinar on the theme 'Preparing for the 4th cycle of NAAC Accreditation'. The resource person was Dr Sunita Wadikar, Former Principal of MES Pillai's College of Education and Research. About 75 faculty members from Higher Education Institutions benefitted from the webinar as it fostered an intellectual discussion about NAAC Assessment and Accreditation



Workshops conducted under the MoU

Dr Agnes DCosta conducted a workshop on Artificial Intelligence in Education on 20 April 2023 for the students of St Teresa's Institute of Education. On 25th April she addressed the students on NEP 2020. Dr Cerena Dcunha of St Teresa's Institute of Education conducted a workshop in English Grammar for the students of Pushpanjali College of Education. On 28 April 2023, Dr Shakuntala Nighot of St Teresa's Institute of Education. conducted a workshop on 'Literature Search and Reference Management'. She explained how a platform like N-LIST could be leveraged to support research & learning. Platforms like DOAJ, Shodhganga, Google Scholar, NDLI and ERIC were elaborated. The session was indeed very enlightening and helped to gain rich insights into the world of E resources. Dr Shakuntala mentored the librarian Ms Sharmila Colaco regarding quality enhancement in the library.

Sr Delicia Fernandes is a member of the CDC of St Teresa's Institute of Education while Dr Sr Tanuja Waghmare is a member of the CDC and Dr Cindrella DMello is a member of the IQAC of Pushpanjali College of Education.

International Webinar on Revisiting Education: Holistic Development Through Empowered Minds

As part of the MoU, St Teresa's Institute of Education and Pushpanjali College of Education jointly organized an international webinar on the theme Revisiting Education: Holistic Development Through Empowered Minds. The webinar held on 6 May 2023 was attended by

over 180 faculty from Higher Education Institutes, Teacher Education Institutes, school teachers and student- teachers.

Students' Achievements

Ms Yogita Singh won the First place for her presentation submitted to G.H.G Khalsa College Amristar at a national level competition organised on the occasion of World Environment Day. She won the first place for slogan writing at a national level competition organized on the theme 'Only One Earth' by SNDT University's Dept of Family Management. Ms Yogita also won the third place for her poster at a national level competition organized by Pillai's College of Education and Research on the occasion of World Human Rights Day.

Ms Sara Gonsalves won the first place for her poster at a national level competition organized on the theme 'Only One Earth' by SNDT University's Dept of Family Management.



Ms Yogita Singh's prize winning poster

Ms Rovina DMello won the first place at an inter collegiate Essay writing competition organized by St. Teresa's Institute of Education.

Ms Mansi Gohil won the third prize for a slogan writing competition organized by Pillai's College of Education and Research on the occasion of International Women's Day.

Teacher Eligibility Test Achievement

We are extremely happy to share that ten of our students have passed their Central Teacher Eligibility Test (CTET) held in January 2023. We congratulate our successful students Ms Monalisa Almeida, Ms Serene Almeida, Ms Noresca Pereira, Ms Diya Vadukkoot, Ms Flavia Pereira, Ms Bindi Shah, Ms Rovina DMello, Ms Madhuri Vartak, Ms Siddhi Divekar and Ms Caryl Trinidad. They were mentored by Dr Agnes DCosta.

Alumni News

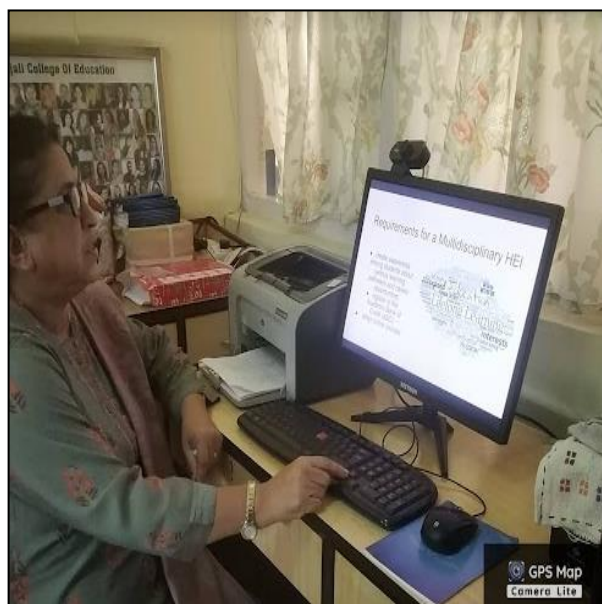
We are very proud of our alumnus Ms Mildred Dabre of the 2016-18 batch who was awarded a Ph.D in Mathematics by the University of Mumbai.

We are also proud of Mr Maxwell Lopes whose book Meera Shyam Rangi Rangali was published by Majestic Publishing House. The book was released in March 2022.

Faculty Enrichment Programmes

Round table on UGC guidelines on multidisciplinary institutions

On 2 September 2022, UGC released the guidelines to transform higher education institutions into multidisciplinary institutions. The Principal and faculty studied the document and had a discussion on 8 Sept. Academic collaboration between institutions through clusters of HEIs, promotion of multi-disciplinary education and research in online and offline modes were some topics discussed.



Workshop on Google websites

Principal in charge Sr Delicia Fernandes and faculty members Dr Sheetal Chaudhari, Dr Agnes Dcosta, Ms Sonia Bombacha, Ms Steffi DCosta and Sr Cheryl Gladis attended a Workshop on Website Development conducted by up Educators, a Google for Education Partner Company on 21 Nov 2022.

Faculty News

Two candidates who had registered for Ph.D under Dr Mabel Pimenta successfully defended their thesis. Ms Sarika Rawat, Principal N.G. Vartak School and College, Virar and Mr Dilip Salvi of Mangaon were awarded their Ph.D degrees. Congratulations to Dr Mabel Pimenta, Dr Sarika Rawat and Dr Dilip Salvi.

Dr Sheetal Chaudhari has rendered her expertise to autonomous colleges and helped in setting question papers and moderating answer scripts.

Sr Delicia Fernandes successfully completed a Faculty induction programme organised at UGC HRDC University of Mumbai from 16 May to 16 June 2022.

Dr Sheetal Chaudhari, Dr Agnes DCosta and Sr Delicia Fernandes attended online workshops on Four Year Degree Programme with Multiple Entry Exit, Pursuing two academic programmes simultaneously and Twinning of programmes. The workshops were organised on 18 July 2022 by UGC HRDC University of Mumbai. They also attended workshops on Academic Bank of Credits and Educational Framework for Global Citizenship in Higher Education organised by UGC HRDC University of Mumbai on 19 July 2022.

Dr Sheetal Chaudhari and Dr Agnes Dcosta attended an online workshop on Art Integrated teaching in Mathematics organised by St Xavier's Institute of Education on 30 July 2022.

Dr Agnes DCosta has attended the following training sessions

- Game based learning organized by CIET and Niti Aayog from 20-24 June 2022
- Digital pedagogy organized by CIET in collaboration with UNESCO MGIEP from 25-29 July 2022
- Multimedia resources for Teaching, learning and assessment organized by Central Institute of Educational Technology, NCERT from 22-26 August 2022
- 'Teaching and Learning of Mathematics in endemic and beyond' organised by St Xavier's Institute of Education on 27 August 2022
- Virtual laboratories for Teaching, learning and assessment organized by Central Institute of Educational Technology, NCERT from 26-30 September 2022
- online training on "Let's be a Cyber Warrior" organized by CIET-NCERT in collaboration with

CyberPeace Foundation from October 25-28, 2022

- online training on “Accessible Digital Resources and Assistive Technologies” organized by Central Institute of Educational Technology, NCERT from 21-25 November 2022
- two-day workshop on Gamekit and Actively Learn conducted by SNTD Women University’s Dept of Educational Technology on 19th and 20th January 2023
- online training on “Learning Management System (LMS) to enhance Teaching-Learning Process” conducted by Central Institute of Educational Technology from 23rd to 27th Jan 2023
- online training on “Media Literacy” organized by Central Institute of Educational Technology, NCERT in collaboration with Indian Institute of Mass Communication from 20-24 February 2023

Papers published by Faculty

The faculty presented the following papers at various conferences.

During the NAAC Sponsored National Level webinar ‘Quality assurance in the Light of NEP2020’ organized by Pushpanjali College of Education on 15th September 2022 the following papers were presented and published

Dr Mabel Pimenta presented a paper on Multidisciplinary Education in NEP 2020: A Theoretical overview.

Dr Sheetal Chaudhari presented a paper on Academic Bank of Credits for Nurturing Holistic Multidisciplinary Education

Ms Angelina Nunes presented a paper on Teacher Education Institutions as hubs for innovation.

Dr Agnes DCosta presented a paper on Perception of School Teachers regarding NEP 2020.

Sr Delicia Fernandes presented a paper on Nurturing Digital Competencies among teachers.

Dr Agnes DCosta attended a National webinar on Aligning Assessments to NEP 2020 organised by Smt Kapila Khandwala College of Education, Santacruz on 1 and 2 Feb 2023 and presented a paper on ‘Student Led Assessments: Making students leaders of their own learning’.

Dr Agnes Dcosta attended an International Conference on Enriching Education: Integrating SEE Learning organized by Bombay Teachers’ Training College on 6 March 2023 and presented a paper on ‘Building a Culture of Compassion in the Classroom’.

Ms. Steffi D’costa presented a paper on DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for gender equality and was published in the Educreator research journal.

Ms. Sonia Oscar Bombacha presented a paper on Role of Digital Literacy in Women Empowerment and was published in the Educreator research journal.

Faculty as Resource Persons

On 11 November 2022, Dr Sheetal Chaudhari was invited to judge the Science exhibition organised at Thomas Baptista Jr College, Papdy.

Dr Agnes Dcosta was resource person for the following events

- session for parents of students of Carmelite Convent English High School on ‘Parenting- A Scientific Art’ on 18 July 2022
- session for Class IX and X students of Carmelite Convent English High School on ‘Be the architect of your life’ on 28 July 2022
- Workshop on ‘Learning through Cyberspace’ for participants of Faculty Induction Programme organized by

AUGCHRDC Mumbai on 12 November 2022.

- Workshop on ‘Contemporary Trends in E-Learning’ for the benefit of faculty and students of Sarada Kurup College of Education, Ghansoli held on 31 March 2023.
- a workshop on the topic ‘Engaging Learners through Constructivist Ways’ for the teachers of St Thomas ICSE School, Deotalao on 3 April 2023.

On the occasion of Diocesan Youth Day held on 8 Oct 2022, Dr Agnes DCosta addressed the youth of Vasai on the topic ‘Breaking Barriers Building Bridges’.

On 17 March 2023, Dr Agnes DCosta was the resource person for a Research Methodology Course conducted by ICCSR and Pillai’s college of Education and Research where she oriented the participants to Interviews and Surveys as Research Tools.

Rest in peace Sancia!

On 4 January 2023, our student of S.Y.B.Ed Ms Sancia Pereira was called to her heavenly abode. Ms Sancia was an extremely talented person who actively participated in cultural events. Her poems, quotes on Instagram and her podcasts on Spotify are evidence of her deep thoughts. We miss you, Sancia. May your soul find eternal peace.