### 1. Mahatma Phule Jayanti: 11th April 2021

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Mahatma Phule Jayanti as per Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, the Library Staff members paid their respect to the great reformer Mahatma Phule.

Jyotirao Govindrao Phule was an Indian social activist, thinker, anti-caste social reformer and writer from Maharashtra. Principal Sir said how Mahatma Phule's work extended to many fields, including eradication of untouchability and the caste system and for his efforts in educating women and exploited caste people. Mahatma Phule and his wife, Savitribai Phule, were pioneers of women education in India. He, along with his followers, formed the Satyashodhak Samaj (Society of Truth Seekers) to attain equal rights for people from exploited castes. People from all religions and castes could become a part of this association which worked for the upliftment of the oppressed classes. Mahatma Phule is regarded as an important figure in the social reform movement in Maharashtra. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the Library Staff members who were present during the program.

Regards,



### 2. Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti: 14th April 2021

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti on 14.4.2021 as per Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, Prof.Subhash Karekar, Dr. Harsh Gaikwad, Dr.Milind Bodke, other teachers, Office Staff and the Library Staff members paid their respect to Bharat Ratna Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar. The jayanti celebrations was attended by all staff members in an online mode through Google Meet Platform.

Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir in his speech mentioned that Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, also known as Babasaheb Ambedkar was an Indian jurist, economist, politician and social reformer, who inspired the Buddhist movement and campaigned against social discrimination towards the untouchables. He was British India's Minister of Labour in Viceroy's Executive Council, a member of the Constituent Drafting committee, independent India's first Minister of Law and Justice, and considered the chief architect of the Constitution of India. Dr.B.R. Ambedkar was the first Indian to pursue a doctorate in economics abroad and played a key role in establishment of Reserve Bank of India in 1935. B.R. Ambedkar's autobiography is used as a textbook in the Columbia University. Babasaheb Ambedkar fought for three years to get the comprehensive Hindu Code Bill passed which gave several important rights to women. In 1990, the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award, was posthumously conferred upon Ambedkar. Dr.Ambedkar is the only Indian whose statue is attached to Karl Marx in the London Museum.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the all the faculty members who were present during the program.

Regards, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.







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### Events Conducted in the Library during April 2021 3. Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Jayanti: 30th April 2021



On 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Mod-College ern of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Rashtrasant Tukdoii Maharai as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir. Principal Sir mentioned that Tukdoji Maharaj was born in Amravati District of Maharashtra and was a disciple of was a disciple

of Aadkoji Maharaj. Tukdoji Maharaj was involved in social reforms in the rural regions of Maharashtra, including construction of roads. He wrote Gramgeeta which describes means for village development. Many of the development programs started by him have continued to work efficiently after his death. Tukdoji Maharaj once attended a World Religions and World Peace Conference in Japan. Saint Tukdoji Maharaj performed rigorous penance and spiritual exercises in self-realisation. He also was a great orator and a musician who composed more than 3000 bhajans (spiritual poems) in Hindi and Marathi, having performed for the spiritual teacher Meher Baba in 1937 and 1944. He has also written many articles on Dharma, society, nation and education. He studied the existing reliaious sects and other schools of thought and discussed religious and secular problems of the devotees. He was determined to re-define socio-Spirituality and revitalise and awaken the nation. Saint Tukdoji Maharaj worked immensely for the Status of Women in Society. In 2005, the Nagpur University was renamed to Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University. Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Sant Tukdoji Maharaj. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,

### 1. Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti -14th May 2021

On 14th May 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Mahatma Basweshwar. Principal Sir mentioned that Mahatma Basveshwar was an Indian 12th-century statesman, philosopher, poet, social reformer and Lingayat saint in the Shiva- focussed Bhakti movement, and Hindu Shaivite social reformer during the reign of the Kalyani Chalukya/Kalachuri dynasty. Mahatma Basveshwar spread social awareness through his poetry, popularly known as Vachanaas. He rejected gender or social discrimination, superstitions and rituals but introduced Ishtalinga necklace, with an image of the Shiva Linga to every person regardless of his or her birth, to be constant reminder of one's bhakti (devotion) to Shiva. As the chief minister of his kingdom, he introduced new public institutions such as the Anubhava Mantapa (or, the "hall of spiritual experience"), which welcomed men and women from all socio- economic backgrounds to discuss spiritual and mundane questions of life, in open. He is also known as **Bhaktibhandari** (literally, the treasurer of devotion), **Basavanna**. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.



### 2. Anti Terrorism Day- 21st May 2021

On 21<sup>ST</sup>May 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 observed 'दहशतवाद व

हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवस' as per the Maharashtra Government GR. Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff took the pledge of 'दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवस'.

Principal Sir mentioned that the objective of the day is to promote national harmony, mitigate terrorism, and unity among people of all caste, creed, and gender. The day is observed in order to wean away the youth from terrorism and cult of violence by highlighting the sufferings of common people and showing as to how it is prejudicial to the national interest. The official announcement of National Anti-Terrorism Day was made after the assassination of India's seventh Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on 21 May 1991. He was killed in Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu in a campaign by a terrorist. Then, under the V.P. Singh government, the centre has decided to observe 21st May as Anti-Terrorism Day.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

#### Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian

<u>दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवसाच्या निमित्ताने घ्यावयाची प्रतिज्ञा.</u> " आम्ही, भारताचे नागरिक, आपल्या देशाच्या अहिंसा व सहिष्णूतेच्या परंपरेविषयी दृढ निष्ठा बाळगून याद्वारे, सर्व प्रकारच्या दहशतवादाचा व हिंसाचाराचा आमच्या सर्व शक्तिनिशी मुकाबला करण्याची गांभीर्यपूर्वक प्रतिज्ञा करत आहोत. आम्ही प्रतिज्ञा करतो की, आम्ही सर्व मानवबंधूमध्ये शांती, सामाजिक एकोपा आणि सामंजस्य टिकवू व वर्धिष्णू करु, तसेच मानवी जिवित आणि मूल्ये धोक्यात आणणाऱ्या विघटनकारी शक्तीचा प्रतिकार करु. "

#### PLEDGE

We, the people of India, having abiding faith in our country's tradition of non-violence and tolerance, hereby solemnly affirm to oppose with our strength, all forms of terrorism and violence. We pledge to uphold and promote peace, social harmony, and understanding among all fellow human beings and fight the forces of disruption threatening human lives and values.



### 3. Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti- 28th May 2021

On 28th May 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Veer Savarkar.

Principal Sir mentioned that Vinayak Damodar Savarkar is remembered as a lawyer, a poet, an author, a social reformist, a freedom fighter among other things. He was a versatile person with a command in every subject matter he dealt with. Veer Savarkar had unique qualities with very straightforward thoughts based on rational and scientific thinking. He never hesitated to pinpoint age -old wrong practices in the society and had unapologetic, uncompromising nationalism. Veer Savarkar's patriotism was also demonstrated by his unique characteristic as a social reformer.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.ShantashreeSengupta,

Librarian



## 4. Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti- 31st May 2021

On 31<sup>st</sup>May 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Ahilyadevi Holkar.

Principal Sir mentioned that Maharani Ahilyabai Holkar was the Holkar Queen of the Maratha Malwa kingdom, India. Rajmata Ahilyabai was born in the village of Chondi in Jamkhed, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra. She moved the capital to Maheshwar south of Indore on the Narmada River.She was noted for her piety, for her administrative ability, for her keen interest in all her people and for an extraordinary amount of building holy sites all over the country. Her rule of Malwa in the 18th century is still cited as a model of benevolent and effective government. Her greatest achievement was to rebuild the Kashi Vishwanath Temple in 1780, which was dedicated to Shiva; the presiding deity of the city of Varanasi, one of the holiest Hindu sites of pilgrimage.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.



1. Shivswarajya Din– 6th June 2021

मॉडर्न महाविद्यालयात शिवस्वराज दिन उत्साहात साजरा

पुणे:६ जून २०२१

मॉडर्न कला विज्ञान आणि वाणिज्य महाविद्यालय शिवाजीनगर (स्वायत्त)पुणे ५ येथील आय क्र्यु ए सी विभाग आणि ग्रंथालय आणि माहिती केंद्र यांच्या वतीने शिवस्वराज दिन साजरा करण्यात आला.

या प्रसंगी महाविद्यालयातील उपप्राचार्य श्री.नरेंद्र नायडू यांनी छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराजांच्या शिवराज्याभिषेक दिनाविषयीचा इतिहास सांगून छत्रपतींच्या कार्याविषयी माहिती सांगितली.आपल्या कर्तृत्त्वानं शत्रूला थरथर कापायला भाग पाडणाऱ्या छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराज यांची किमया किती थोर आहे हे लहानथोरांपासून सर्वांनाच ज्ञात आहे. महाराजांची कारकिर्द ही प्रत्येकाला हेवा वाटेल आणि उर अभिमानानं भरुन येईल अशी आहे.अशाच या कारकिर्दीतील, जीवनप्रवासातील एक दिवस म्हणजे शिवराज्याभिषेक दिन असल्याचे श्री.नरेंद्र नायडू यांनी स्पष्ट केले.

शिवाजी महाराजांच्या आयुष्यातील विविध खडतर प्रसंग ,त्यांना जिजामाता यांनी केलेले मार्गदर्शन याचा आढावा संस्थेचे सचिव आणि महाविद्यालयाचे उपप्राचार्य प्रा.शामकांत देशमुख यांनी घेतला. शिवनेरीवरील शिवाई देवीच्या नावावरून महाराजांचे नाव शिवाजी ठेवण्यात आले असे ते म्हणाले. मराठी साम्राज्याचे महान संस्थापक, गरीब जनतेचे कैवारी, महामानवतावादी, करुणामई महाराज हे आपल्या प्रजेला कोणत्याही प्रकारचा त्रास होवू नये म्हणून दक्ष असत असे ते म्हणाले. छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराजांचा जन्म शिवनेरीवर झाला, तर त्यांना देवाज्ञा रायगडावर झाली, त्यांच्या शिवराय या नावात या दुर्गांचा उल्लेख आला असल्याचे त्यांनी सांगितले.

याप्रसंगी महाविद्यालयाचे प्राचार्य डॉ.राजेंद्र झुंजारराव यांनी छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराजांच्या कार्याविषयी आपले विचार व्यक्त केले. अतिशय दूरदृष्टीने छत्रपतीनी शत्रूशी तह केले आणि आपले साम्राज्य विस्तारत नेले .आजच्या काळात महाराजांची ही दूरदृष्टी आपल्या प्रत्येकाला नवी शिकवण देणारी आहे असे त्यांनी नमूद केले. संत तुकाराम महाराज हे शिवाजी महाराजांच्या गुरुस्थानी होते. प्रजेच्या हितासाठी रात्रंदिवस झटणारे छत्रपती हे आपल्याला मिळालेले एक दैवी वरदान असल्याचे ते म्हणाले.

कार्यक्रमाच्या शेवटी महाराष्ट्रातील गड -किल्ल्यांची माहिती सांगणारा लघुपट प्रदर्शित करण्यात आला. हा लघुपट ग्रंथपाल डॉ.शांतश्री सेनगुप्ता यांनी तयार केला होता. या कार्यक्रमाचे आयोजन ग्रंथालयाच्या ग्रंथपाल डॉ.शांतश्री सेनगुप्ता आणि त्यांच्या सहकाऱ्यांनी केले होते. यावेळी ग्रंथालयाच्या वतीने छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराजांवरील प्रकाशित ग्रंथाचे प्रदर्शन भरवण्यात आले होते. हा कार्यक्रम online पद्धतीने सर्वासाठी खुला होता. कार्यक्रमाचे सूत्रसंचालन श्री.अमित साळुंखे यांनी केले. तर कार्यक्रमाचे आभार एन एस एसचे कार्यक्रम अधिकारी श्री.प्रभाकर वऱ्हाडे यांनी मानले. या कार्यक्रमाच्या नियोजनात आय क्यु ए सी समन्वयक आणि महाविद्यालयाच्या उपप्राचार्य डॉ.अंजली सरदेसाई यांनी सहकार्य केले .

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या कार्यक्रमाला प्रोग्रेसिव्ह एज्युकेशन सोसायटीचे कार्याध्यक्ष मा.प्रा.डॉ.गजानन एकबोटे, संस्थेच्या सहसचिव प्रा.ज्योत्स्ना एकबोटे यांचे मार्गदर्शन लाभले. या कार्यक्रमाचे आयोजन कोविड -१९ च्या पार्श्वभूमीवर सुरक्षित अंतर राखून सर्व प्रकारची काळजी घेवून करण्यात आले होते. या कार्यक्रमाला जिमखाना प्रमुख श्री.विक्रम फाले, दीपक कुटे, प्रबंधक श्री.गणेश साठे, ग्रंथालयीन सहकारी, एनसीसी आणि एनएसएस अधिकारी ,उपप्राचार्य आणि इतर महाविद्यालयीन सहकारी उपस्थित होते.



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# 2. Maharana Pratap Jayanti– 12th June 2021

On 12th June 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Maharana Pratap Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Maharana Pratap. Principal Sir mentioned that Maharana Pratap was one of the greatest Indian warriors. He was the ruler of Mewar, a province in Modern Day Rajasthan. Maharana Pratap was famous as a fearsome warrior and an excellent combat strategist. He protected the Mewar region against repeated onslaughts from the Mughals. He was titled as "Mewari Rana" and was notable for his military resistance against the expansionism of the Mughal Empire and was known for his participation in the Battle of Haldighati and Battle of Dewair.

Amit Salunke proposed the vote of thanks. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

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### 4. Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj Jayanti– 26th June 2021

On 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe and Library Staff paid their respect to Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj.

Principal Sir mentioned that Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj of the Bhonsle dynasty of Marathas was a Raja and the first Maharaja of the Indian princely state of Kolhapur.Rajarshi Shahu was considered a true democrat and social reformer. Shahu Maharaj was an able ruler who was associated with many progressive policies during his rule. From his coronation till his demise, he worked for the cause of providing primary education to all regardless of caste and creed. He made great efforts to abolish the concept of caste segregation and untouchability. He introduced reservation system in government jobs for untouchable castes. He also worked towards betterment of the condition of women in his empire. He legalised widow remarriage in 1917 and made efforts towards stopping child marriage.Shahu Maharaj was a great patron of art and culture, encouraging music and the fine arts. He supported writers and researchers in their endeavours. He installed gymnasiums and wrestling pitches and highlighted the importance of health consciousness among the youth.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.ShantashreeSengupta, Librarian.



### 1. Vasantrao Naik Jayanti: 01st July 2021

On 01<sup>st</sup> July 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of VasantraoNaik as per the Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Vasantrao Naik.

Principal Sir mentioned that Vasantrao Naik was the longest serving Chief Minister of Maharashtra. He is considered as the father of the Green Revolution in Maharashtra. The industrialization of Maharashtra is largely the legacy of his progressive industrial policies.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards,

Dr.ShantashreeSengupta,

Librarian.



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### 2. Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak Jayanti–23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

On 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir.

Principal Sir mentioned that Bal Gangadhar Tilak who was born as Keshav Gangadhar Tilak, was an Indian nationalist, teacher, and an independence activist. He was one third of the 'Lal Bal Pal' triumvirate. Bal Gangadhar Tilak was the first leader of the Indian independence movement. Tilak was one of the first and strongest advocates of Swaraj("self-rule") and a strong radical in Indian consciousness. He is known for his quote in Marathi: "Swarajya is my birthright and I shall have it!"

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



### 1. Sahityaratna Annabhau Sathe Jayanti–01<sup>st</sup> August 2021

On 01<sup>st</sup> August 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Sahityaratna Annabhau Sathe as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir.

Principal Sir mentioned that Annabhau Sathe who was born as Tukaram Bhaurao Sathe, was a social reformer, folk poet, and writer from Maharashtra, India.AnnabhauSathe's use of folkloric narrative styles like powada and lavani helped popularise and make his work accessible to many communities. He wrote several novels in Marathi language.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Sahityaratna Annabhua Sathe. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards,

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

Librarian.



### 2. Krantisingh Nana Patil Jayanti – 03rd August 2021

On 03rd August 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Krantisingh Nana Patil as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir.

Principal Sir mentioned that Nana Patil, who was popularly known as क्रांतिसिंह (meaning 'Revolutionary

Lion'), was an Indian freedom fighter and Member of Parliament representing Beed District of Marathwada region. He was a source of inspiration for the people. Krantisinh Nana Patil established a parallel government in the district of Satara.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, College NCC (Naval Wing) Programme Officer Dr. Ashok Kamble and Library Staff paid their respect to Krantisingh Nana Patil. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards,



### 3. Sadbhavna Diwas (सद्भावना दिवस)- 20 th August 2021

On 20th August 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 observed 'Sadbhavna Diwas', the Birth Anniversary of Ex-Prime Minister of India Bharat Ratna Late Rajiv Gandhiji as per the Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh, Head, Department of Computer Science; Vice Principal and Secretary, Progressive Education Society, Pune-5, we took the Sadbhavna Diwas Pledge. Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir gave a brief summary of the notable innovative work initiated by Late Shri. Rajiv Gandhi like Computerisation and ICT Development. Sir also explained that this day is observed as 'Sadbhavana Diwas' or Harmony Day' with an objective to encourage national integration, peace, affection, Indian and communal harmony among the people of all religions. The program was conducted in the Library by following the Physical Distancing principle in the COVID-19 situation. I am thankful to the Library

Staff who were present during the program.

From-

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

Librarian.

### सद्भावना दिवस प्रतिज्ञा

''मी अशी प्रतिज्ञा करतो / करते की, मी जात, वंश, धर्म, प्रदेश किंवा भाषा विषयक भेद न करता

सर्व भारतीय जनतेचे भावनिक ऐक्य आणि सामंजस्य यासाठी काम करीन. मी आणखी अशी प्रतिज्ञा करतो

/करते की, आमच्यामधील वैयक्तिक किंवा सामुहिक स्वरूपाचे सर्व प्रकारचे मतमेद मी हिंसाचाराचा अवलंब

न करता विचार विनिमय करून व संविधानिक मार्गानी सोडवीन."



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Events Conducted in the Library during September 2021

### 1. Raje Umaji Naik Jayanti – 07th September 2021

On 07th September 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary

of Raje Umaji Naik (राजे उमजी नाईक) as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir.

Principal Sir mentioned that Raje Umaji Naik who is honorofically known as Vishwa Krantiveer Narveer Raje Umaji Naik, was an Indian revolutionary who as one of the earliest freedom fighter of India, challenged the British Rule in India around 1826 to 1832.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Raje Umaji Naik. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



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Events Conducted in the Library during September 2021

2. Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Jayanti Antyoday Diwas 25th September 2021

On 25<sup>th</sup> September 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Pandit Deendyayal Upadhyay Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR. Today's day is also known as 'AntyodayDiwas'."Antyodaya" means uplifting the poorest of the poor.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta ;Dr. Nisha Bhandare, Head, Department of Marathi ; Prof. Mrs. Pooja Paratne, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics and Library Staff paid their respect toPanditDeendayalUpadhyayji.

Principal Sir mentioned that Deendayal Upadhyaya was an Indian politician and thinker of right-wing Hindutva ideology espoused by the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), and leader of the political party Bharatiya Jana Sangh (BJS), the forerunner of BharatiyaJanata Party (BJP). Integral humanism was a set of concepts drafted by Upadhyaya as political program and adopted in 1965 as the official doctrine of the Jan Sangh. Principal Sir mentioned that Integral humanism was a set of concepts drafted by Upadhyayaji as political program which was adopted in 1965 as the official doctrine of the Jan Sangh. Upadhyayaji considered that it was of utmost importance for India to develop an indigenous economic model with a human being at center stage.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the all the faculty members who were present during the programme.

Regards,



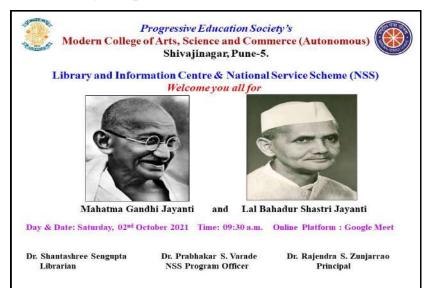
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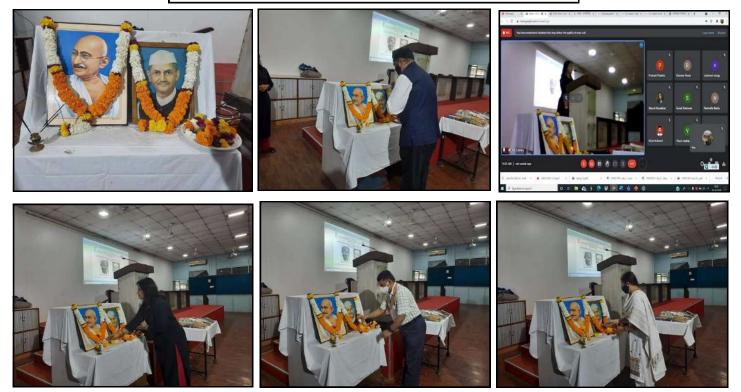
Events Conducted in the Library during October 2021

Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti: 2nd October 2021

The Library and Information Centre and NSS Unit of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversaries of the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhiji and 2nd Prime Minister of India Lal Bahadur Shastriji.

The event was organised under the guidance of Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir following all the COVID-19 safety guidelines. Principal Sir excellently expressed his views on the great work done by Mahatma Gandhiji and Lal Bahadur Shastriji. Sir also explained what all we can learn from the lives of the two great personalities.





# Events Conducted in the Library during October 2021

### Maharashi Valmiki Jayanti: 20th October 2021

On 20th October 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Maharashi Valmiki Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Maharshi Valmiki.

Principal Sir mentioned that according to mythology, Valmiki was born as Ratnakar and was a dacoit at one point in time. He would rob and kill people until one day, he met Narada Muni and under his influence, Valmiki got transformed into an ardent devotee of Lord Rama. Valmiki's meditation continued for years and was so profound that ants had created mounds around him during his meditation. From here, he got the title of 'Valmiki', which means, born from an ant mound. Later on, Valmiki wrote the story of Lord Rama, which came to be known as *Ramayana*.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the all the faculty members who were present during the programme.

Regards,



### Events Conducted in the Library during October 2021

### Indira Gandhi Punyatithi va Rashtriya Sankalp Diwas & Vallabhbhai Patel Jayanti va Rashtriya Ekya Diwas: 31st October 2021

On 31.10.2021 as per the Government of Maharashtra Circular, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, observed Indira Gandhi Death Anniversary (also known as Rashtriya Sankalp Diwas) and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Jayanti (also known as Rashtriya Ekta Diwas). College NSS Programme Officer Prof.Dr.Prabhakar Varade, Prof.Pooja Paratane and Prof. Pratul Gadagkar from Department of Mathematics were also present during the event in the library.

Principal Sir started the programme with \*Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge\*.In his speech, Principal Sir mentioned the points which we can learn from Iron Man Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Iron lady & India's first and only Woman Prime Minister Mrs.Indira Gandhi.

The program was conducted in the Library by following the Physical Distancing principle in the COVID-19 situation.

I am thankful to the Library Staff who organised and were present during the program. From-

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,



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# Events Conducted in the Library during November 2021

### 1. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Jayanti: 14th November 2021

As per the Government of Maharashtra Circular, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, observed the Birth Anniversary of First Prime Minister of India Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. In his speech, Principal Sir mentioned that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, was an Indian anti-colonial nationalist, secular humanist, social democrat and author who was a central figure in India during the middle third of the 20th century. He was a principal leader of the Indian independence movement in the 1930s and 1940s. Upon India's independence in 1947, Nehru served as the country's Prime Minister for 17 years. He promoted parliamentary democracy, secularism, and science and technology powerfully during the 1950s, influencing India's arc as а modern nation. The program was conducted in the Library by following the Physical Distancing principle in the COVID-19 situation.

I am thankful to the Library Staff who organized and were present during the program. From-



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### Events Conducted in the Library during November 2021

### 2. Birsa Munda Jayanti: 15th November 2021

On 15.11.2021- as per the Government of Maharashtra Circular, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, observed the Birth Anniversary of Birsa Munda. In his speech, Principal Sir mentioned that Birsa Munda was an Indian tribal freedom fighter, religious leader, and folk hero who belonged to the Munda tribe. He spearheaded a tribal religious movement that arose in the Bengal Presidency (now Jharkhand) in the late 19th century, during the British Raj, thereby making him an important figure in the history of the Indian independence movement. His life story, full of gallant efforts to fight injustice and oppression, represents a strong voice of resistance against colonialism. Sir mentioned that fearless Birsa Munda lived a short life of just 25 years but it was full of courage and determination. The program was conducted in the Library by following the Physical Distancing principle in the COVID-19 situation. I am thankful to the Library Staff who organised and were present during the program.

From-



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# Events Conducted in the Library during November 2021

### 3.Indira Gandhi Jayanti va Rashtriya Ekatmata Din: 19th November 2021

On 19.11.2021- as per the Government of Maharashtra Circular, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 under the guidance of Prof. Narendra Naidu, Vice - Principal, Faculty of Science and Head, Department of Zoology observed Indira Gandhi Birth Anniversary (also known as Rashtriya Ekatmata Diwas).

Naidu Sir started the programme with Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge.

In his speech, Prof. Narendra Naidu Sir shared his personal experiences, thoughts and mentioned the points which we can learn from Iron lady and India's first and only Woman Prime Minister Mrs.Indira Gandhi.

The program was conducted as per the valuable guidance of Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir in the Library by following the Physical Distancing principle in the COVID-19 situation.

I am thankful to the Library Staff who organised and were present during the program.

From-



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# Events Conducted in the Library during November 2021

### 4. Samvidhan Divas: 26th November 2021

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 on 26.11.2020 under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir celebrated Constitution Day (National Law Day), also known as Samvidhan Divas. Samvidhan Diwas is celebrated in India on 26 November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. On 26 November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, and it came into effect on 26 January 1950. The Government of India declared 26 November as Constitution Day on 19 November 2015 by a gazette notification. The Prime Minister of India, Hon'ble Shri. Narendra Modi made the declaration on 11 October 2015 while laying the foundation stone of the Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's 'Statue of Equality' memorial in Mumbai. 26th November was chosen to spread the importance of the constitution and to spread thoughts and ideas of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar.

The programme which was organised in the College Assembly Hall, commenced with paying respect to Bharat Ratna Dr.B.R.Ambedkar and the Constitution Preamble. It was followed by 'Buddha Vandana'. Brief introduction about 'Indian Constitution Day' was presented by College Librarian Dr.S.S.Sengupta. Respected Principal Sir read the Preamble of the Constitution of India which was followed by the faculty members and students present in the hall. Books on the Constitution of India were also displayed in the Assembly Hall. Principal Sir addressed us regarding the importance of Samvidhan for the Nation and in our Life. Sir also highlighted the important contribution and ideologies of Bharat Ratna Dr.B.R.Ambedkar and what we all can learn from his life.

Amit Salunke, Library Staff presented the vote of thanks for the programme.

All the precautions of COVID-19 were taken during the programme.

I am thankful to the teaching and non-teaching faculty members, library staff members, Office Staff and Department of Computer Science who were present for the programme.

Regards,



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# **Events Conducted in the Library during December 2021**

Bharat Ratna Dr. B R.Ambedkar Mahaparinirvan Diwas: 6th December 2021

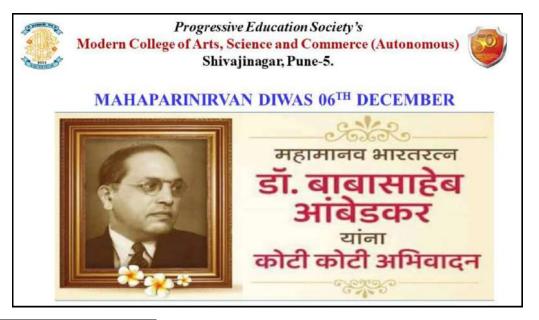
The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar,Pune-5 today on 06th December 2021 Mahaparinirvan Diwas organised programme to pay respect to Mahamaanav Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar.

Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Teaching and Non-teaching Staff and Library Staff members paid Shraddhanjali to the Father of the Constitution of India Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar. Buddha Vandana Trisharan Panchsheel was also offered.

Principal Sir explained the great contribution of the Great Indian Jurist, Economist, Politician and Social Reformer Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar. Prof.Subhash Karekar and Dr.Milind Bodke presented poems on life and works of the Multi-faceted Number One Scholar of the World Dr.B.R.Ambedkar (as recognized by Columbia University in August 2013).

Dr.Shantashree Sengupta did the comparing of the program and offered the Vote of Thanks. Books on Dr.B.R.Ambedkar were also displayed.

All the precautions related to COVID-19 were followed during the programme. Regards,





# **Events Conducted in the Library during December 2021**

### Sant Santaji Jagnade Maharaj Jayanti: 8th December 2021

On 08th December 2021, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern college of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Sant Santaji Jagnade Maharaj as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir. Sant Santaji Jagnade Maharaj was one of

fourteen cymbal(झांज) players employed by Shri Tukaram Maharaja, a prominent Marathi Sant.

Prof.Dr.Ashok Kamble, Vice Principal and Head, Department of Commerce highlighted the preachings of Sant Jagnade Maharaj. Kamble Sir mentioned that when Sant Tukaram Maharaj's manuscripts were destroyed by some people, Santaji Maharaj rewrote the Abhanga of Sant Tukaram Maharaj from his memories and restored their original glory.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards,



### 1. Savitribai Phule Jyanti: 3rd January 2022

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern college of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of First Women Teacher of India 'Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule' today on 3rd January 2022 as per the guidelines in Government of Maharashtra Resolutions. Savitribai Phule was a social reformer, educationalist, and poet from Maharashtra. Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, College Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Savitribai Phule.

Principal Sir briefly addressed the great contributions of Savitribai Phule regarding how she demanded dignity for all women, for which she, along with her husband Jyotirao Phule worked their entire lives. The principles of humanity, equality, liberty and justice were of utmost importance to her. During a time when women education was not thought of, she ignited a spark that led to equality in education. In 2021, the Government of Maharashtra declared 3rd January to be celebrated as Women's Education Day (Mahila Shikshan Din)

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards,



2.Jijau Maa Saheb Jayanti and Swami Vivekananda Jayanti : 12th January 2022

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversaries of Jijau Maa Saheb and Swami Vivekanand on 12.01.2022.

Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, College Librarian Dr.Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Jijau Maa Saheb and Swami Vivekanand.

Principal Sir briefly addressed the great contributions of Jijau Maa Saheb who was known to be an influential and determined woman. Jijau Maa Saheb was an embodiment of self-respect and virtue. Famed for her fore-sight, Jijabai was herself an able warrior and administrator. She passed down her quality traits to the growing Shivaji, and instilled within him a sense of duty, courage and fortitude to overcome any hardship arising. Under her guidance and care, Shivaji Maharaj developed within him a human touch that saw him harbor a great respect for all women, religious tolerance, and justice, along with the love for his country, his religion and his quest for freedom of Maharashtra. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj owes his greatness to the inspiration of his mother who dedicated her life to bringing up her son to become one of the greatest rulers of the Maratha Empire.

Swami Vivekananda, was an Indian Hindu monk, a chief disciple of the 19th-century Indian mystic Ramakrishna Paramhans. He was a key figure in the introduction of the Indian philosophies of Vedanta and Yoga to the Western world. His vast knowledge of Eastern and Western culture as well as his deep spiritual insight, fervid eloquence, brilliant conversation, broad human sympathy made an irresistible appeal to the people in contact with him, who heard him and read about him. He is best known in the World for his groundbreaking speech to the 1893 World's Parliament of Religions in which he introduced Hinduism to America and called for religious tolerance and an end to fanaticism.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards,





# 3.Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti (Parakram Diwas) and Balasaheb Thackeray Jayanti: 23rd January 2022

On 23.1.2022, as per the Government of Maharashtra Resolutions, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 125th Birth Anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and Birth Anniversary of Late Balasaheb Thackeray.

Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta gave brief introduction about today's program. Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, NSS Program Officer Dr.Prabhakar Varade were present during the program and paid their respect to the great leaders.

Principal Sir addressed about the work done by both the leaders.

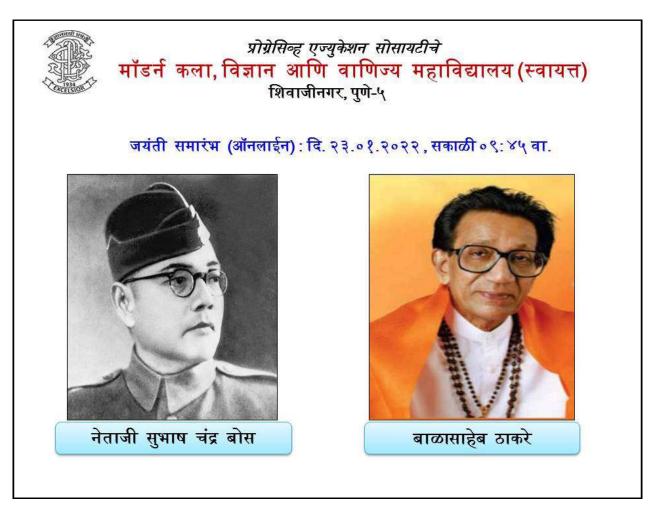
In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, the program was attended by the Vice-Principals, teaching and non-teaching staff members and students on Google Meet Platform.

I am thankful to Dr.P.S.Varade Sir for presenting the Vote of Thanks. I am also thankful to Dr. Vaijayanti Jadhav for taking the Online Screenshots and to the Library Staff Members who were present during the program.

Regards,

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

Librarian.

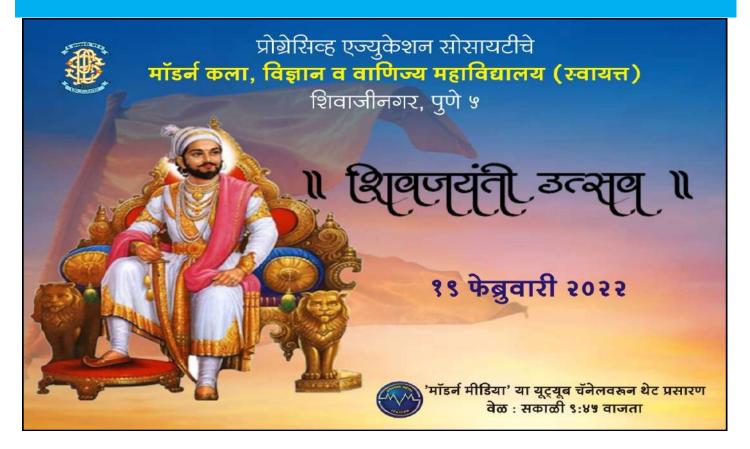


### 1.Sant Sevalal Maharaj Jayanti-15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

On 15th February 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Sant Sevalal Maharaj Jayanti as per the Maharashtra Government GR. Sant Sevalal Maharaj was the great revolutionary of India who fought the first independent war in India against the British celibate throughout his life. Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, College, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Sant Sevalal Maharaj. Principal Sir briefly addressed the preachings of Sant Sevalal Maharajji and summarised the 22 Principles of Sant Sevalal Maharaj given for Banjara life related to nature, environment, family, respect for women, life, community and humanity. All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



# **Events** Conducted by the Library during February 2022



### 2. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti: 19th February 2022

On the occasion of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti the Library and Information Centre of Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce Progressive (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 under the guidance of Principal Dr.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir celebrated Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti. Vice Principal Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir, Vice Principal and IQAC Coordinator Dr.Anjali Sardesai, Prof. S.S.Thengadi, Dr. Abhay Shende, Shri. Prakash Sable teaching and non-teaching staff and students were present for Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir addressed the gathering by highlighting the the celebrations. courageous success stories of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, impact of Jijau Maa Saheb on Shivaji Maharaj, teachings and importance of Dadoji Kondadeo, Shri Ramdas Swami and Tukaram Maharaj on life of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir briefly explained how the teachings of Shivaji Maharaj related to Management, Equal status to Women, Importance of Devotion, Dedication, Courage still hold their importance in present day. Sir also presented a beautiful poem on Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.NSS Programme Officer Dr.Prabhakar Varade presented the Vote of Thanks.Our Library Staff Shri.Amit Salunke anchored the program. The event was joined online by the College Faculty Members and Students on Google Meet platform. All the precautions of COVID-19 pandemic situation were taken.

From-

Dr.Shantashree Sengupta,

### 3.Sant Gadge Baba Jayanti and Sant Ravidas Maharaj Jayanti- 23rd February 2022

On 23rd February 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune -5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of 'Sant Gadge Maharaj' and 'Sant Ravidas Maharaj' as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir.

Debuji Zhingraji Janorkar, who is popularly known as Gadge Baba, was born in a small village Shengaon of district Amravati, Maharashtra, India on 23rd February 1876.

Principal Sir mentioned that Sant Gadge Baba was a great saint of 19th century and is known for his social services. Sant Gadge Maharaj was a mendicant-saint and social reformer from the Indian state of Maharashtra. He lived in voluntary poverty and wandered to different villages promoting social justice and initiating reforms, especially related to sanitation. He was a holy saint who worked for helpless and poor. Community-service became the base of his teachings of Baba.

Sant Gadge Baba's teachings were:

- 1. Give food to the hungry.
- 2. Give shelter to the needy.
- 3. Protect the environment.

Principal Sir also mentioned that Sant Ravidasji was an Indian mystic poet-sant of the Bhakti movement and founder of Ravidassia religion during the 15th to 16th century CE. He was a guru (teacher) in the region of Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and mainly Punjab and Haryana. The Adi Granth of Sikhs, and Panchvani of the Hindu warrior-ascetic group Dadupanthis are the two oldest attested sources of the literary works of Ravidas. He was a poet-saint, social reformer and a spiritual figure. Ravidas's devotional Verses were included in the Sikh scriptures known as Guru Granth Sahib. The Panch Vani text of the Dadupanthi tradition within Hinduism also includes numerous poems of Ravidas. He taught removal of social divisions of caste and gender, and promoted unity in the pursuit of personal spiritual freedoms.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Library Staff and the students paid their respect to Sant Ravidas Maharaj.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members and students who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian. संत गाडगे बाबा जयंती एवं संत रविदास महाराज जयंती (तिथीनुसार)



#### 1. Yashwantrao Chavan Jayanti: 12th March 2022

On 12th March 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Yashwantrao Chavan Jayanti as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Non-teaching Staff Members and Library Staff paid their respect to Late Yashwantrao Chavan ji.

Principal Sir mentioned that Yashwantrao Balwantrao Chavan was a great Indian politician who served as the last Chief Minister of Bombay State and the first of Maharashtra after latter was created by the division of Bombay state. He was a strong leader, co-operative leader, social activist and writer. He was popularly known as Leader of Common People. He advocated social democracy in his speeches and articles and was instrumental in establishing co-operatives in Maharashtra for the betterment of the farmers. Principal Sir also mentioned the various Posts held by Late Yashwantrao Chavan like Minister of Home Affairs, Minister of External Affairs, Minister of Finance and Minister of Defence.

I am thankful to the library staff members who organised and were present during the programme. Regards,









### 2. Shaheed Din (Martyr's Day): 23rd March 2022

On 23rd March 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 observed 'Shaheed Din' (Martyr's Day) as per the Maharashtra Government Regulations. 23rd March is remembered as the day when three brave freedom fighters namely Bhagat Singh, Shivaram Rajguru and Sukhdev Thapar were hanged by the British.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir; Dr. Nisha Bhandare, Head, Department of Marathi ; Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, and Library Staff paid their respect to the 03 freedom fighters.

Principal Sir mentioned that 23rd March is celebrated as Martyr's Day to remember the sacrifice of three extraordinary freedom fighters of India. On 23rd March 1931 three freedom fighters of our Nation were hanged to death namely Bhagat Singh, Shivaram Rajguru and Sukhdev Thapar by the British. They are the source of inspiration for the youth of India. At such a young age, they came forward and for the independence they fought with bravery. So, to pay homage to these three revolutionaries Martyr's Day is celebrated on 23rd March. Sir mentioned that Bhagat Singh together with his companions Rajguru, Sukhdev, Azad, and Gopal fought for the assassination of Lala Lajpat Rai. Bhagat Singh became an inspiration for youngsters due to his daring adventures. He with his companions on 8th April, 1929 threw bombs over the Central Legislative Assembly by reading the slogan "Inquillab Zindabad". And for this, a murder case was charged against them. On 23rd March, 1931 in the Lahore Jail they were hanged. Their body was cremated at the banks of the Sutlej River.

I am thankful to the staff members and students who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.



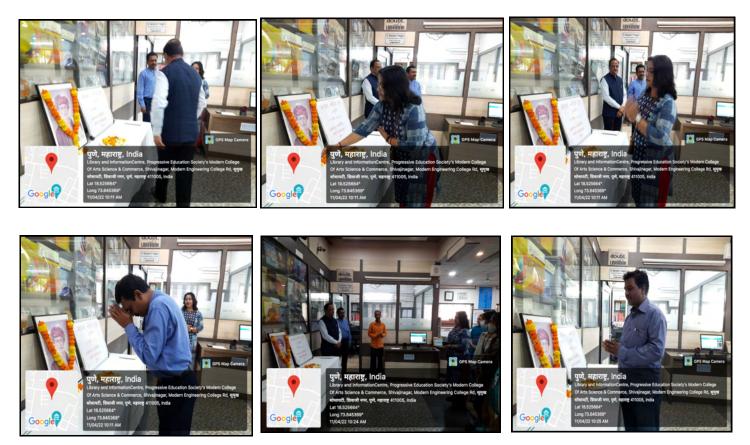
### 1.Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jayanti: 11th April 2022

On 11.04.2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jayanti as per Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, Prof. Dr. Milind Bodke, Department of Electronics, Library Staff members and the students paid their respect to the great reformer Mahatma Phule. Jyotirao Govindrao Phule was an Indian social activist, thinker, anti-caste social reformer and writer from Maharashtra. Principal Sir said how Mahatma Phule's work extended to many fields, including eradication of untouchability and the caste system and for his efforts in educating women and exploited caste people. Mahatma Phule and his wife, Savitribai Phule, were pioneers of women education in India. He, along with his followers, formed the Satyashodhak Samaj (Society of Truth Seekers) to attain equal rights for people from exploited castes. People from all religions and castes could become a part of this association which worked for the upliftment of the oppressed classes. Mahatma Phule is regarded as an important figure in the social reform movement in Maharashtra.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to Prof. Dr.Milind Bodke, Library Staff members and students who were present during the program.

Regards,



# **Events Conducted by the Library during April 2022**

2.Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti: 14th April 2022

Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti on 14.04.2022.

The celebrations of the 'Knowledge Day' started from Wednesday, 13.04.2022 by organising 'READATHON' (14 hours Abhyas Abhiyan) from 06:30 a.m. to 08:30 p.m. Several students, teaching and non -teaching staff participated in the Reading Movement which aims to inculcate reading habits.

On Thursday, 14.04.2022, in the presence of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao; Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh, Secretary, P.E.Society and Vice Principal; Prof.Dr. Ashok Kamble, Vice Principal, Faculty of Commerce; Prof. Subhash Karekar, Prof.Dr. Harsh Gaikwad, Prof. Dr. Milind Bodke, Dr. Prabhakar Varade, College Registrar Ganesh Sathe, teaching and non-teaching staff members and students were present for the program and paid respect to Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar. A short movie made by ABP Majha Channel was played by Prof. Ashok Kamble, NCC Officer on Dr.B.R.Ambedkar.

Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir presented the Biography of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar and Principal Sir also expressed his views on the multifaceted personality and the First Law Minister of Independent India.

All the participants of the 14 Hours Abhyas Abhiyan were presented with Certificate of Participation.

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta did comparing of the Program and Mr. Amit Salunke have the Vote of Thanks. Regards,



### 3.Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Jayanti: 30th April 2022

On 30th April 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated the Birth Anniversary of Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir.

Principal Sir mentioned that Tukdoji Maharaj was born in Amravati District of Maharashtra and was a disciple of was a disciple of Aadkoji Maharaj. Tukdoji Maharaj was involved in social reforms in the rural regions of Maharashtra, including construction of roads. He wrote Gramgeeta which describes means for village development. Many of the development programs started by him have continued to work efficiently after his death. Tukdoji Maharaj once attended a World Religions and World Peace Conference in Japan.

Saint Tukdoji Maharaj performed rigorous penance and spiritual exercises in self-realisation. He also was a great orator and a musician who composed more than 3000 bhajans (spiritual poems) in Hindi and Marathi, having performed for the spiritual teacher Meher Baba in 1937 and 1944. He has also written many articles on Dharma, society, nation and education. He studied the existing religious sects and other schools of thought and discussed religious and secular problems of the devotees. He was determined to re-define socio-Spirituality and revitalise and awaken the nation. Saint Tukdoji Maharaj worked immensely for the Status of Women in Society. In 2005, the Nagpur University was renamed to Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University. Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

Prof. Dimple Bhatia, Department of Psychology and Library Staff paid their respect to Sant Tukdoji Maharaj. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



### 1.Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti: 03rd May 2022

On 03rd May 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Vice-Principal Faculty of Arts and Head, Department of Psychology Prof. Dr. Amruta Oke Madam, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Mahatma Basweshwar.

Oke Madan mentioned that Mahatma Basveshwar Maharaj was an Indian 12th-century statesman, philosopher, poet, social reformer and Lingayat saint in the Shiva-focussed Bhakti movement, and Hindu Shaivite social reformer during the reign of the Kalyani Chalukya/Kalachuri dynasty. Mahatma Basveshwar spread social awareness through his poetry, popularly known as Vachanaas. He rejected gender or social discrimination, superstitions and rituals but introduced Ishtalinga necklace, with an image of the Shiva Linga to every person regardless of his or her birth, to be a constant reminder of one's bhakti (devotion) to Shiva. As the Chief Minister of his kingdom, he introduced new public institutions such as the Anubhava Mantapa (or, the "hall of spiritual experience"), which welcomed men and women from all socio-economic backgrounds to discuss spiritual and mundane questions of life, in open. He is also known as Bhaktibhandari (literally, the treasurer of devotion), Basavanna. The community he helped form is also known as the Sharanas. Basava taught that every human being was equal, irrespective of caste, and that all forms of manual labor was equally important.

I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta,



### 2.National Anti-terrorism Day (दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवस): 21st May 2022

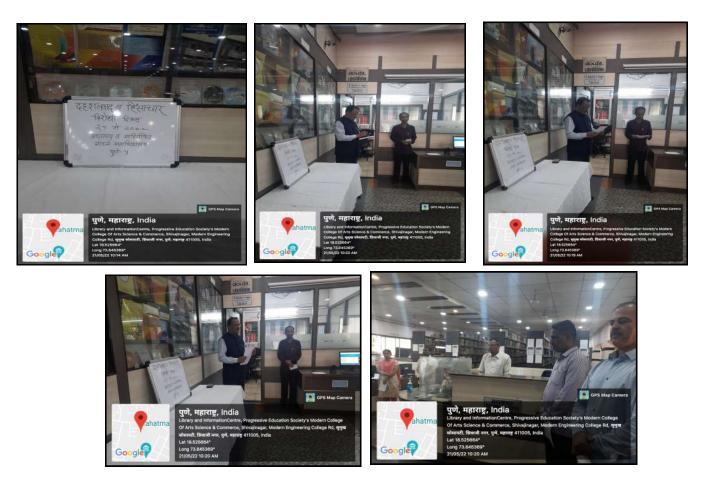
On 21st May 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 observed National Anti-terrorism Day (दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवस) as per the Maharash-tra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir and the Library Staff took the pledge of 'दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवस'.

Principal Sir mentioned that the objective of the day is to promote national harmony, mitigate terrorism, and unity among people of all caste, creed, and gender. The day is observed in order to wean away the youth from terrorism and cult of violence by highlighting the sufferings of common people and showing as to how it is prejudicial to the national interest.

The official announcement of National Anti-Terrorism Day was made after the assassination of India's seventh Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on 21 May 1991. He was killed in Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu in a campaign by a terrorist. Then, under the V.P. Singh government, the centre has decided to observe 21st May as Anti-Terrorism Day.

All the rules of physical distancing were followed during the programme. I am thankful to the library staff members and students who were present during the programme.



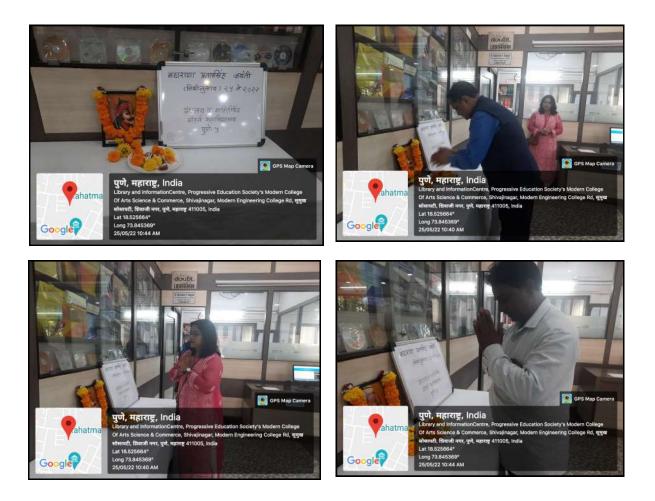
### 3.Maharana Pratap Singh Jayanti: 25th May 2022

On 25th May 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Maharana Pratap Singh Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Maharana Pratap.

Principal Sir mentioned that Maharana Pratap was one of the greatest Indian warriors. He was the ruler of Mewar, a province in Modern Day Rajasthan. Maharana Pratap was famous as a fearsome warrior and an excellent combat strategist. He protected the Mewar region against repeated onslaughts from the Mughals. Maharana Pratap was titled as "Mewari Rana" and was notable for his military resistance against the expansionism of the Mughal Empire and was known for his participation in the Battle of Haldighati and Battle of Dewair.

I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



### 4.Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti: 28th May 2022

On 28th May 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Veer Savarkar.

Principal Sir mentioned that Vinayak Damodar Savarkar is remembered as a lawyer, a poet, an author, a social reformist, a freedom fighter among other things. He was a versatile person with a command in every subject matter he dealt with. Veer Savarkar had unique qualities with very straightforward thoughts based on rational and scientific thinking. He never hesitated to pinpoint age-old wrong practices in the society and had unapologetic, uncompromising nationalism. Veer Savarkar's patriotism was also demonstrated by his unique characteristic as a social reformer.

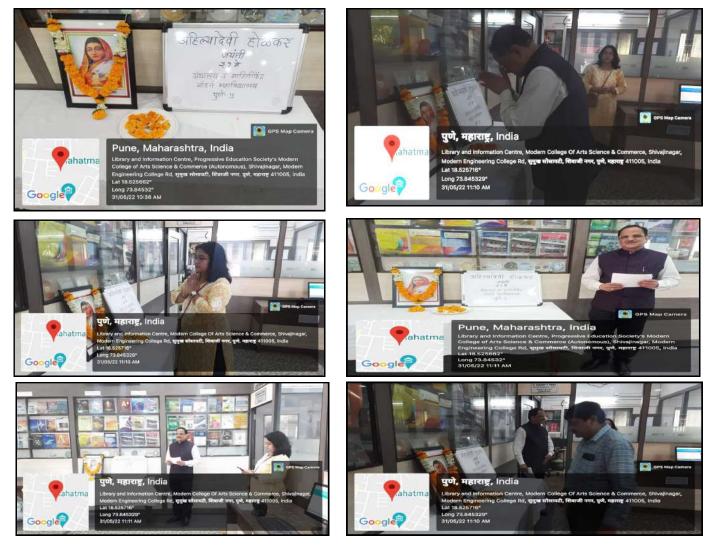
I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



### 5. Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti: 31st May 2022

On 31st May 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, NSS Programme Officer Dr. Prabhakar Varade and Library Staff paid their respect to Ahilyadevi Holkar. Principal Sir mentioned that Maharani Ahilyabai Holkar was the Holkar Queen of the Maratha Malwa kingdom, India. Rajmata Ahilyabai was born in the village of Chondi in Jamkhed, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra. She moved the capital to Maheshwar south of Indore on the Narmada River. She was noted for her piety, for her administrative ability, for her keen interest in all her people and for an extraordinary amount of building holy sites all over the country. Her rule of Malwa in the 18th century is still cited as a model of benevolent and effective government. Her greatest achievement was to rebuild the Kashi Vishwanath Temple in 1780, which was dedicated to Shiva; the presiding deity of the city of Varanasi, one of the holiest Hindu sites of pilgrimage. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme. Regards,



### 1.Shiv Swarajya Din: 06th June 2022

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 today on 06th June 2022 celebrated 'Shiv Swarajya Din' as per the Government of Maharashtra GR. Shiv Swarajya Din is the day of Coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

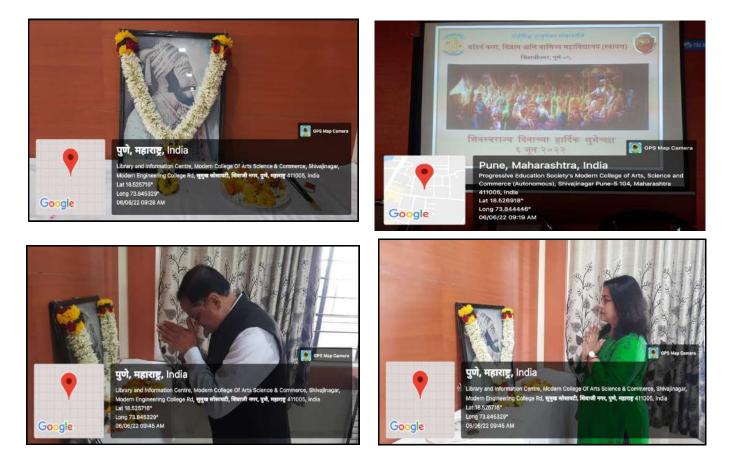
The event started with Maharashtra Geet. Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao ; Vice Principal and Head, Department of Commerce Dr. Vijay Gaikwad; Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta ; NCC Program Officer Prof. A.V. Kamble ; Head, Department of Marathi Dr. Nisha Bhandare; Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe ; Shri. Namdeo Mahade paid their respect to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. Principal Sir guided the audiences regarding the legacy of Shivaji Maharaj, his upbringing, work, contribution, achievement, management, leadership, war strategies, several battles and coronations etc.

Mrs. Sarika Sable, Clerk-Library did PowerPoint presentation of Forts won and built by Shivaji Maharaj. I am thankful to Dr. Vaijayanti Jadhav, Department of Marathi for providing the Maharashtra Geet.

Library Staff Shri. Amit Salunke did comparing of the event and presented the Vote of Thanks. The event got over with Rashtrageet gayan.

The program was successfully organised with the help of the Library Staff and Department of Computer Science.

Regards, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.



### 2. Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj Jayanti: 26th June 2022

On 26th June 2022, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj.

Principal Sir mentioned that Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj of the Bhonsle dynasty of Marathas was a Raja and the first Maharaja of the Indian princely state of Kolhapur. Rajarshi Shahu was considered a true democrat and social reformer. Shahu Maharaj was an able ruler who was associated with many progressive policies during his rule. From his coronation till his demise, he worked for the cause of providing primary education to all regardless of caste and creed. He made great efforts to abolish the concept of caste segregation and untouchability. He introduced reservation system in government jobs for untouchable castes. He also worked towards betterment of the condition of women in his empire. He legalised widow remarriage in 1917 and made efforts towards stopping child marriage. Shahu Maharaj was a great patron of art and culture, encouraging music and the fine arts. He supported writers and researchers in their endeavours. He installed gymnasiums and wrestling pitches and highlighted the importance of health consciousness among the youth. I am thankful to the library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

