1.Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jayanti: 11th April 2023

On 11.04.2023, 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, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, 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 mentioned 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.

I am thankful to the Teachers, Library Staff members and students who were present during the program.









2.Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti: 14th April 2023

Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti on 14.04.2023.

The celebrations of the 'Knowledge Day' started from Thursday, 13.04.2022 by organising 'READATHON' (14 hours Abhyas Abhiyan) from 07:00 a.m. to 09:00 p.m. Several students, teaching and non-teaching staff participated in the Reading Movement which aims to inculcate reading habits.

On Friday, 14.04.2023, in the presence of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao; Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh, Secretary, P.E.Society and Vice Principal; Dr.Vijay Gaikwad, Vice Principal, Faculty of Commerce; Dr. Anjali Sardesai, Vice Principal; Prof. Subhash Karekar, Dr. Harsh Gaikwad, 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.

Dr. Vilas Kamble, Head, Department of Geography spoke about various work done by Dr.B.R.Ambedkar's life.

Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir explained the strong bond of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar with Libraries and Education. 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.

BARTI, Pune and Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Teaching and Non-teaching Sanghatna, Pune presented several Reference Sources by and on Bharat Ratna Dr.B.R.Ambedkar. 3 Students of M.A.Political Science also presented Books.

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta did comparing of the Program, Library Staff Mr. Amit Salunke recited a poem on Dr.B.R. Ambedkar and Prof. Tanaji Sonawane gave the Vote of Thanks.



14 Hours Abhyas Abhiyan











































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3.Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti: 22nd April 2023

On 22nd April 2023, 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 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.







4.Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Jayanti: 30th April 2023

On 30th April 2023, 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, Vice-Principal Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, and Library Staff paid their respect to Sant Tukdoji Maharaj.

Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad 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.

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







1.Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Jayanti: 14th May 2023

On 14.05.2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Jayanti as per the Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. R S Zunjarrao Sir, Vice-Principal Prof.Dr.Vijay Gaikwad, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, NSS Program Officer Dr. Prabhakar Varade, Deputy COE Dr. Yugandhar Shinde, Library Staff members and students paid their respect to Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj.

Principal Sir mentioned that, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj was the eldest son of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and the second Chhatrapati of the Maratha Empire. Sir also briefed about the early life, military expeditions and conflicts, governance, innovations and literary contributions of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj. Sambhaji Maharaj composed several books during his lifetime. The most notable is 'Budhbhushanam' written in Marathi and Sanskrit.

I am thankful to all the Staff Members and students who were present during the program.













2.National Anti-terrorism Day: 21st May 2023

On 21st May 2023, 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 Maharashtra 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 who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

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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.

दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवसाच्या निमित्ताने घ्यावयाची प्रतिज्ञा.

"आम्ही, भारताचे नागरिक, आपल्या देशाच्या अहिंसा व सिहष्णूतेच्या 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."













3.Maharana Pratap Singh Jayanti (तिथिनुसार): 22nd May 2023

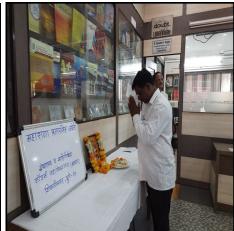
On 22nd May 2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Maharana Pratap Singh Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir 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 organised and were present during the programme.











4.Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti: 28th May 2023

On 28th May 2023, 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, 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.









5.Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti: 31st May 2023

On 31st May 2023, 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.

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









1. Shiv Swarajya Din: 06th June 2023

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 2023 celebrated 'Shiv Swarajya Din' as per the Government of Maharashtra GR. Shiv Swarajya Din is the day of Coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

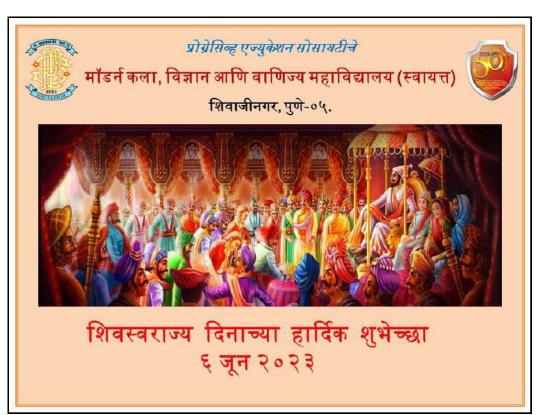
The event started with Maharashtra Rajya Geet. Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao; Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar; Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta; Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe; Office Superintendents Shri. Rajendra Yemul and Mrs. Bharati Bhosale paid their respect to Chhatrapati Shivaji 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.

Shri. Ganesh Sathe emphasised on the importance of celebration of 350th Shivrajyabhishek all over Maharashtra and India.

Mrs. Sarika Sable, Clerk-Library did PowerPoint presentation of Forts won and built by Shivaji Maharaj.

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.





























2. Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj Jayanti: 26th June 2023

On 26th June 2023, 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 and students who were present during the programme.









1. Vasantrao Naik Jayanti: 01st July 2023

On 01st July 2023, 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 Vasantrao Naik 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 (1963-1975). 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.

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











2.Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak Jayanti: 23rd July 2023

On 23rd July 2023, 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. Bal Gangadhar 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, Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak.

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













Events Conducted in the Library during August 2023

1. Sahityaratna Annabhau Sathe Jayanti:01st August 2023

On 01st August 2023, 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. Annabhau Sathe's use of folkloric narrative styles like powada

(पोवाडा) and lavani(लावणी) helped popularise and make his work accessible to many communities. He wrote several novels in Marathi language.

I am thankful to Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar, NSS Coordinator Dr. Prabhakar Varade, Dr. Vaijayanti Jadhav, Department of Marathi, and library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

















Events Conducted in the Library during August 2023

2. Krantisingh Nana Patil Jayanti – 03rd August 2023

On 03rd August 2023, 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 (क्रांतिसिंह नाना पाटील) 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. In the British Era, Krantisingh 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, Dr. Philomena Fernandez (Department of Commerce, Business Administration Campus), Library Staff and students paid their respect to Krantisingh Nana Patil.

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



















Events Conducted in the Library during August 2023

3. Sadbhavna Diwas: 20th August 2023

On 20.08.2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 observed 'Sadbhavna Diwas'(सद्भावना

दिवस), 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 Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, Vice-Principal Faculty of Arts Dr. Amruta Oke and Library Staff Members took the Sadbhavna Diwas Pledge.

Dr. Amruta Oke Madam gave a brief summary of the notable innovative work initiated by Late Shri. Rajiv Gandhi like Computerisation and ICT Development. Madam also explained that this day is observed as 'Sadbhavana Diwas' or Harmony Day' with an objective to encourage national integration, peace, affection, and communal harmony among the Indian people of all religions.

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

Regards Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

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 मतभेद मी हिंसाचाराचा अवलंब न करता विचार विनिमय करून व संविधानिक मार्गानी सोडवीन."







1. Raje Umaji Naik Jayanti: 7th September 2023

On 07th September 2023, 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 Resolution.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Faculty of Arts Vice-Principal Dr. Amruta Oke Madam, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, library staff and students paid their respect to Raje Umaji Naik.

Dr. Amruta Oke Madam 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.

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













2. Keshav Sitaram alias Prabodhankar Thackeray Jayanti: 17th September 2023

On 17th September 2023, 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 Keshav Sitaram alias Prabodhankar Thackeray 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 Prabodhankar Thackeray was an Indian social reformer who campaigned against superstitions, untouchability, child marriage and dowry. He was also a prolific author. Sir also said that Keshav Thackeray wrote in the Marathi language and started a fortnightly magazine named 'Prabodhan ("Enlighten")', which is the origin of his pen name Prabodhankar.

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

I am thankful to all who were present during the programme.



















3. Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Jayanti: 25th September 2023

(पंडीत दिनदयाळ उपाध्याय जयंती - अंत्योदय दिवस)

On 25th September 2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government Resolutions. Today's day is also known as 'Antyoday Diwas'. "Antyodaya" means uplifting the poorest of the poor.

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

Principal Sir mentioned that Deendayal Upadhyayaji 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 Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Integral humanism was a set of concepts drafted by Upadhyayaji as political program and adopted in 1965 as the official doctrine of the Jan Sangh. Principal Sir also 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. Upadhyayaji considered that it was of utmost importance for India to develop an indigenous economic model with a human being at center stage.

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













1. Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti: 2nd October 2023

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 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.

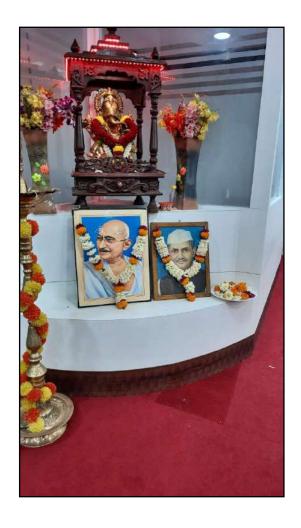
Principal Sir excellently expressed his views on the great work done by Mahatma Gandhiji and Lal Bahadur Shastriji. Sir also explained what all we can learn from the lives of the two great personalities.

Vice-Principals, HoDs, NSS and NCC Program Officers, Teaching Staff, Non teaching Staff and Students attended the program.

The NSS Volunteers did Shram Daan also on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti.

We are thankful to the teaching and non-teaching staff members who were present for the program.

From-Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.







2. Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam Jayanti: 15th October 2023

On 15.10.2023, on the Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, 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.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir organised program to pay respect to Dr.A.P.J Abdul Kalam. As a tribute to the great scientist, in 2010, United Nations declared Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's birthday as the 'World Students' Day' to honour his hardwork, dedication and determination that comprises his remarkable life. In 2016, the Government of Maharashtra also declared celebrating 'Vaachan Prerna Din' i.e. 'Reading Inspiration Day' as a tribute to the great man.

Principal Sir in his speech highlighted the philosophies, contribution towards Space Research in India and involvement in India's civilian space programme and military missile development efforts of The Missile Man of India Dr. A.P.J.Abdul Kalam.

We also displayed books on and authored by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

I am thankful to Vice Principal Dr. Shubhangi Puranik, NSS Coordinator Dr. Prabhakar Varade and library staff members who were present for the program and paid their respect to the great scientist.

From-

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

Librarian.









3. Display of New Books: 21st October 2023

On 21.10.2023, under the guidance of P.E.Society Chairman Hon'ble Prof. Dr. G. R. Ekbote Sir; Secretary Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir; Joint Secretary and Chairperson CDC, Prof. Dr. Jyotsna Ekbote Madam; Principal Dr. R.S. Zunjarrao Sir, the Library and Information Centre of Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 organised the 'Display of New Books'.

With blessings of Maa Saraswati, the Book Display was inaugurated at the august hands of Principal Sir, in presence of all the Vice-Principals. The display which consisted of reference books and popular reading books, received overwhelming response from the teaching and non-teaching staff members of all the 26 Departments.

We are thankful to all for visiting the Display of Books and making it a memorable day for us.

I am thankful to my library team for all the support and untiring efforts for the week long preparation of the event.



















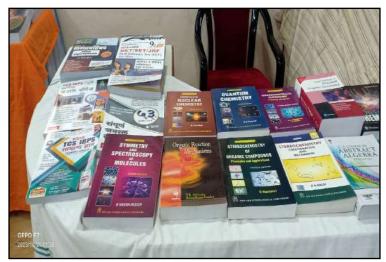
















































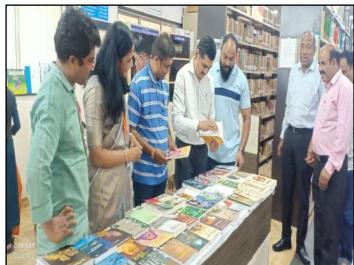
















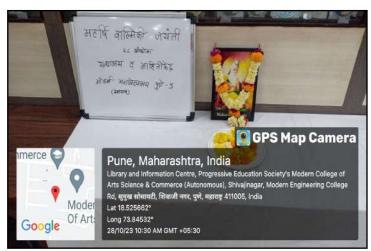
4.Maharshi Valmiki Jayanti: 28th October 2023

On 28th October 2023, 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, Vice-Principal Faculty of Arts Dr. Amruta Oke, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Maharshi Valmiki. Dr. Amruta Oke Madam mentioned that 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".

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









5. Indira Gandhi Punyatithi and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Jayanti: 31st October 2023

On 31.10.2023- 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).

After brief introduction by Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir took the 'Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge' which was followed by all the attendees. In his speech, Principal Sir mentioned several 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.

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

Regards Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.



राष्ट्रीय एकात्मता शपथ

" मी गांभीर्यपूर्वक शपथ घेतो/ घेते की, देशाचे स्वातंत्र्य आणि राष्ट्रीय एकात्मता अबाधित राखण्यासाठी व दृढ करण्यासाठी मी निष्ठापूर्वक काम करीन" मी अशीही प्रतिज्ञा करतो/करते की, मी कधीही हिंसाचाराचा अवलंब करणार नाही. तसेच मी सर्व धार्मिक, भाषिक किंवा प्रादेशिक मतभेद व तंटे किंवा इतर राजकीय वा आर्थिक गाऱ्हाणी शांततामय आणि सांविधानिक मार्गाने सोडविण्याचा प्रयत्न चालू ठेवीन.

















1.Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jayanti: 11th April 2023

On 11.04.2023, 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, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, 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 mentioned 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.

I am thankful to the Teachers, Library Staff members and students who were present during the program.









2.Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti: 14th April 2023

Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti on 14.04.2023.

The celebrations of the 'Knowledge Day' started from Thursday, 13.04.2022 by organising 'READATHON' (14 hours Abhyas Abhiyan) from 07:00 a.m. to 09:00 p.m. Several students, teaching and non-teaching staff participated in the Reading Movement which aims to inculcate reading habits.

On Friday, 14.04.2023, in the presence of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao; Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh, Secretary, P.E.Society and Vice Principal; Dr.Vijay Gaikwad, Vice Principal, Faculty of Commerce; Dr. Anjali Sardesai, Vice Principal; Prof. Subhash Karekar, Dr. Harsh Gaikwad, 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.

Dr. Vilas Kamble, Head, Department of Geography spoke about various work done by Dr.B.R.Ambedkar's life.

Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir explained the strong bond of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar with Libraries and Education. 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.

BARTI, Pune and Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Teaching and Non-teaching Sanghatna, Pune presented several Reference Sources by and on Bharat Ratna Dr.B.R.Ambedkar. 3 Students of M.A.Political Science also presented Books.

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta did comparing of the Program, Library Staff Mr. Amit Salunke recited a poem on Dr.B.R. Ambedkar and Prof. Tanaji Sonawane gave the Vote of Thanks.



14 Hours Abhyas Abhiyan











































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3.Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti: 22nd April 2023

On 22nd April 2023, 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 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.







4.Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Jayanti: 30th April 2023

On 30th April 2023, 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, Vice-Principal Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, and Library Staff paid their respect to Sant Tukdoji Maharaj.

Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad 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.

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







1.Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Jayanti: 14th May 2023

On 14.05.2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Jayanti as per the Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. R S Zunjarrao Sir, Vice-Principal Prof.Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, NSS Program Officer Dr. Prabhakar Varade, Deputy COE Dr. Yugandhar Shinde, Library Staff members and students paid their respect to Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj.

Principal Sir mentioned that, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj was the eldest son of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and the second Chhatrapati of the Maratha Empire. Sir also briefed about the early life, military expeditions and conflicts, governance, innovations and literary contributions of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj. Sambhaji Maharaj composed several books during his lifetime. The most notable is 'Budhbhushanam' written in Marathi and Sanskrit.

I am thankful to all the Staff Members and students who were present during the program.













2.National Anti-terrorism Day: 21st May 2023

On 21st May 2023, 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 Maharashtra 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 who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

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.

दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवसाच्या निमित्ताने घ्यावयाची प्रतिज्ञा.

"आम्ही, भारताचे नागरिक, आपल्या देशाच्या अहिंसा व सिहष्णूतेच्या 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."













3.Maharana Pratap Singh Jayanti (तिथिनुसार): 22nd May 2023

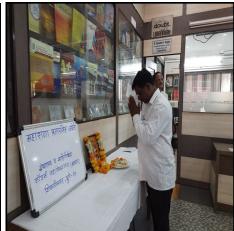
On 22nd May 2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Maharana Pratap Singh Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir 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 organised and were present during the programme.











4.Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti: 28th May 2023

On 28th May 2023, 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, 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.









5.Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti: 31st May 2023

On 31st May 2023, 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.

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









1. Shiv Swarajya Din: 06th June 2023

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 2023 celebrated 'Shiv Swarajya Din' as per the Government of Maharashtra GR. Shiv Swarajya Din is the day of Coronation of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

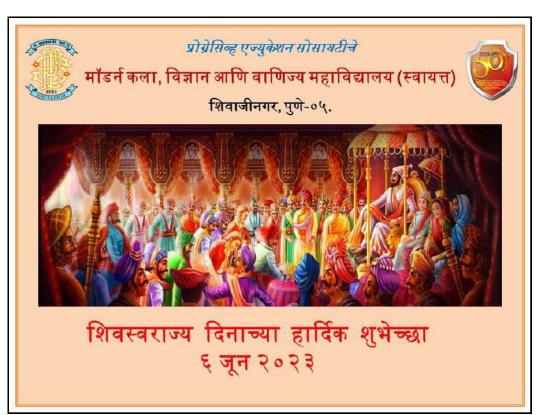
The event started with Maharashtra Rajya Geet. Principal Dr.Rajendra Zunjarrao; Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar; Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta; Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe; Office Superintendents Shri. Rajendra Yemul and Mrs. Bharati Bhosale paid their respect to Chhatrapati Shivaji 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.

Shri. Ganesh Sathe emphasised on the importance of celebration of 350th Shivrajyabhishek all over Maharashtra and India.

Mrs. Sarika Sable, Clerk-Library did PowerPoint presentation of Forts won and built by Shivaji Maharaj.

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.





























2. Rajarshi Shahu Maharaj Jayanti: 26th June 2023

On 26th June 2023, 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 and students who were present during the programme.









1. Vasantrao Naik Jayanti: 01st July 2023

On 01st July 2023, 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 Vasantrao Naik 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 (1963-1975). 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.

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











2.Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak Jayanti: 23rd July 2023

On 23rd July 2023, 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. Bal Gangadhar 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, Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak.

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













Events Conducted in the Library during August 2023

1. Sahityaratna Annabhau Sathe Jayanti:01st August 2023

On 01st August 2023, 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. Annabhau Sathe's use of folkloric narrative styles like powada

(पोवाडा) and lavani(लावणी) helped popularise and make his work accessible to many communities. He wrote several novels in Marathi language.

I am thankful to Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar, NSS Coordinator Dr. Prabhakar Varade, Dr. Vaijayanti Jadhav, Department of Marathi, and library staff members who were present during the programme.

Regards, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

















Events Conducted in the Library during August 2023

2. Krantisingh Nana Patil Jayanti – 03rd August 2023

On 03rd August 2023, 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 (क्रांतिसिंह नाना पाटील) 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. In the British Era, Krantisingh 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, Dr. Philomena Fernandez (Department of Commerce, Business Administration Campus), Library Staff and students paid their respect to Krantisingh Nana Patil.

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



















Events Conducted in the Library during August 2023

3. Sadbhavna Diwas: 20th August 2023

On 20.08.2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 observed 'Sadbhavna Diwas'(सद्भावना

दिवस), 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 Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, Vice-Principal Faculty of Arts Dr. Amruta Oke and Library Staff Members took the Sadbhavna Diwas Pledge.

Dr. Amruta Oke Madam gave a brief summary of the notable innovative work initiated by Late Shri. Rajiv Gandhi like Computerisation and ICT Development. Madam also explained that this day is observed as 'Sadbhavana Diwas' or Harmony Day' with an objective to encourage national integration, peace, affection, and communal harmony among the Indian people of all religions.

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

Regards Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

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 मतभेद मी हिंसाचाराचा अवलंब न करता विचार विनिमय करून व संविधानिक मार्गानी सोडवीन."







1. Raje Umaji Naik Jayanti: 7th September 2023

On 07th September 2023, 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 Resolution.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Faculty of Arts Vice-Principal Dr. Amruta Oke Madam, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, library staff and students paid their respect to Raje Umaji Naik.

Dr. Amruta Oke Madam 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.

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













2. Keshav Sitaram alias Prabodhankar Thackeray Jayanti: 17th September 2023

On 17th September 2023, 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 Keshav Sitaram alias Prabodhankar Thackeray 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 Prabodhankar Thackeray was an Indian social reformer who campaigned against superstitions, untouchability, child marriage and dowry. He was also a prolific author. Sir also said that Keshav Thackeray wrote in the Marathi language and started a fortnightly magazine named 'Prabodhan ("Enlighten")', which is the origin of his pen name Prabodhankar.

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

I am thankful to all who were present during the programme.



















3. Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Jayanti: 25th September 2023

(पंडीत दिनदयाळ उपाध्याय जयंती - अंत्योदय दिवस)

On 25th September 2023, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated 'Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Jayanti' as per the Maharashtra Government Resolutions. Today's day is also known as 'Antyoday Diwas'. "Antyodaya" means uplifting the poorest of the poor.

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

Principal Sir mentioned that Deendayal Upadhyayaji 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 Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Integral humanism was a set of concepts drafted by Upadhyayaji as political program and adopted in 1965 as the official doctrine of the Jan Sangh. Principal Sir also 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. Upadhyayaji considered that it was of utmost importance for India to develop an indigenous economic model with a human being at center stage.

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













1. Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti: 2nd October 2023

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 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.

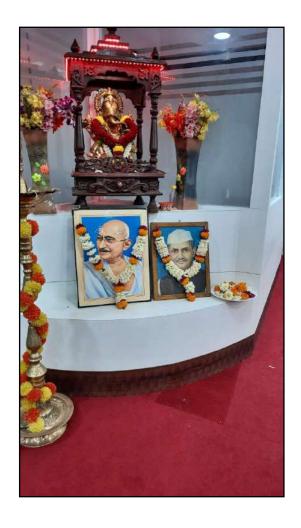
Principal Sir excellently expressed his views on the great work done by Mahatma Gandhiji and Lal Bahadur Shastriji. Sir also explained what all we can learn from the lives of the two great personalities.

Vice-Principals, HoDs, NSS and NCC Program Officers, Teaching Staff, Non teaching Staff and Students attended the program.

The NSS Volunteers did Shram Daan also on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti.

We are thankful to the teaching and non-teaching staff members who were present for the program.

From-Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.







2. Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam Jayanti: 15th October 2023

On 15.10.2023, on the Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, 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.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir organised program to pay respect to Dr.A.P.J Abdul Kalam. As a tribute to the great scientist, in 2010, United Nations declared Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's birthday as the 'World Students' Day' to honour his hardwork, dedication and determination that comprises his remarkable life. In 2016, the Government of Maharashtra also declared celebrating 'Vaachan Prerna Din' i.e. 'Reading Inspiration Day' as a tribute to the great man.

Principal Sir in his speech highlighted the philosophies, contribution towards Space Research in India and involvement in India's civilian space programme and military missile development efforts of The Missile Man of India Dr. A.P.J.Abdul Kalam.

We also displayed books on and authored by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

I am thankful to Vice Principal Dr. Shubhangi Puranik, NSS Coordinator Dr. Prabhakar Varade and library staff members who were present for the program and paid their respect to the great scientist.

From-

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta,

Librarian.









3. Display of New Books: 21st October 2023

On 21.10.2023, under the guidance of P.E.Society Chairman Hon'ble Prof. Dr. G. R. Ekbote Sir; Secretary Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir; Joint Secretary and Chairperson CDC, Prof. Dr. Jyotsna Ekbote Madam; Principal Dr. R.S. Zunjarrao Sir, the Library and Information Centre of Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 organised the 'Display of New Books'.

With blessings of Maa Saraswati, the Book Display was inaugurated at the august hands of Principal Sir, in presence of all the Vice-Principals. The display which consisted of reference books and popular reading books, received overwhelming response from the teaching and non-teaching staff members of all the 26 Departments.

We are thankful to all for visiting the Display of Books and making it a memorable day for us.

I am thankful to my library team for all the support and untiring efforts for the week long preparation of the event.



















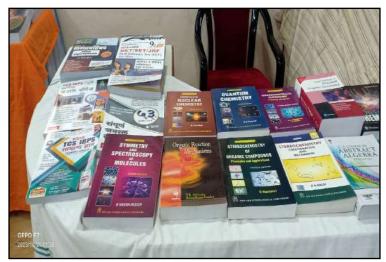
















































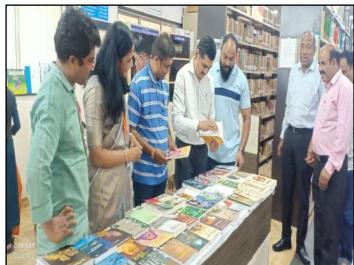
















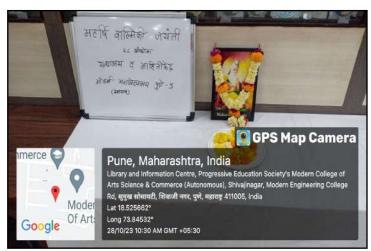
4.Maharshi Valmiki Jayanti: 28th October 2023

On 28th October 2023, 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, Vice-Principal Faculty of Arts Dr. Amruta Oke, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and Library Staff paid their respect to Maharshi Valmiki. Dr. Amruta Oke Madam mentioned that 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".

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









Events Conducted in the Library during October 2023

5. Indira Gandhi Punyatithi and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Jayanti: 31st October 2023

On 31.10.2023- 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).

After brief introduction by Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir took the 'Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge' which was followed by all the attendees. In his speech, Principal Sir mentioned several 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.

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

Regards Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.



राष्ट्रीय एकात्मता शपथ

" मी गांभीर्यपूर्वक शपथ घेतो/ घेते की, देशाचे स्वातंत्र्य आणि राष्ट्रीय एकात्मता अबाधित राखण्यासाठी व दृढ करण्यासाठी मी निष्ठापूर्वक काम करीन" मी अशीही प्रतिज्ञा करतो/करते की, मी कधीही हिंसाचाराचा अवलंब करणार नाही. तसेच मी सर्व धार्मिक, भाषिक किंवा प्रादेशिक मतभेद व तंटे किंवा इतर राजकीय वा आर्थिक गाऱ्हाणी शांततामय आणि सांविधानिक मार्गाने सोडविण्याचा प्रयत्न चालू ठेवीन.





Events Conducted in the Library during October 2023













1.Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Jayanti: 14th November 2023

On 14.11.2023- 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 during the 1950s, powerfully influencing India's arc as a modern nation.

Sir also mentioned that on 14 November every year as a tribute to the birthday of India's First Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, Children's Day is celebrated. He is lovingly known as Chacha Nehru among children. Nehruji advocated for children to have all-rounded education that would build a better society in the future and considered children as real strength of a nation and foundation of society.

I am thankful to Prof. Sanjay Thengadi, Vice Principal and Head, Department of Physics and Library Staff who organised and were present during the program.









2.Birsa Munda Jayanti:15th November 2023

On 15.11.2023- 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.

I am thankful to Prof. Sanjay Thengdi, Vice-Principal and Head, Department of Physics, and Library Staff who were present during the program.









3.Indira Gandhi Birth Anniversary (Rashtriya Ekatmata Din): 19th November 2023

On 19.11.2023- 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 Principal Dr. R.S.Zunjarrao, observed 'Indira Gandhi Birth Anniversary (also known as Rashtriya Ekatmata Diwas)'.

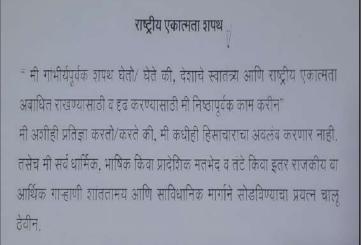
Principal Sir started the programme with 'Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Pledge'.

In his speech, Principal Sir shared his 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 in the library. I am thankful to the Library Staff who organised and were present during the program.

From-Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.





















4. Constitution Day of India: 26.11.2023

The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 today on 26.11.2023 under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir celebrated "Constitution Day (National Law Day), also known as Sanvidhan Divas." Sanvidhan Divas is celebrated in India on 26th 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 Bharat Ratna Swar Samragyi Lata Mangeshkar Hall, commenced with paying respect to Bharat Ratna Dr.B.R.Ambedkar and the Constitution Preamble. 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.

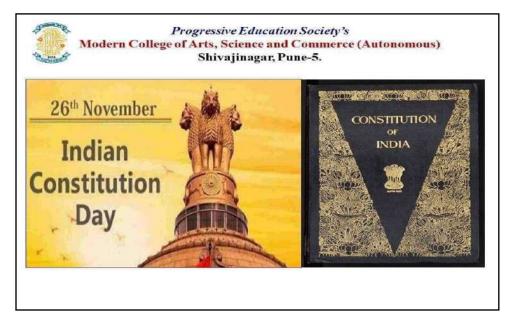
Prof.S.Inamdar, Department of Political Science briefly highlighted the chronological events in the making of constitution. It was followed by the video presentation of 'Making of Constitution' a 10 series presentation of Rajyasabha TV. Prof. A V.Kamble, Department of Electronic Science showed the 10th episode of the series which made us all witness the historic creation of Indian Constitution.

Principal Sir addressed us regarding the importance of Sanvidhan 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.

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta did the compering and presented the vote of thanks for the program.

I am thankful to Vice Principal Prof. S.S.Thengadi, Vice Principal Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Registrar Shri.Ganesh Sathe, teaching and non-teaching faculty members, and library staff members who were present for the programme.

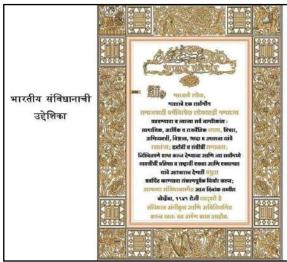
Regards, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.

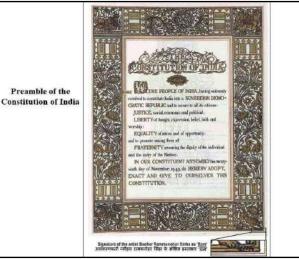
















































































1. Bharat Ratna Dr. B R.Ambedkar Mahaparinirvan Diwas: 6th December 2023

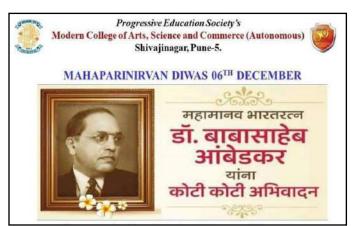
The Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar,Pune-5 today on 06.12.2023 Mahaparinirvan Diwas organised programme to pay respect to Mahamaanav Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar.

Respected Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, all Vice-Principals, HoDs, Teaching and Non-teaching Staff, Library Staff members and students 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. Ashok Kamble, NCC Coordinator presented a short film (of ABP Majha) on life and works of Granth-Premi Multi-faceted Number One Scholar of the World Dr.B.R.Ambedkar (as recognized by Columbia University in August 2013).

Dr. Milind Bodke, Asst. Professor, Department of Electronic Science offered a Marathi Song on Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar.

Dr. Shantashree Sengupta did the comparing of the program and offered Vote of Thanks.





















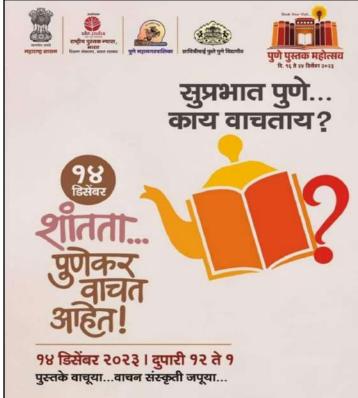
2. Sant Santaji Jagnade Maharaj Jayanti: 8th December 2023

On 08th December 2023, 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. Principal Sir highlighted the preachings of Sant Jagnade Maharaj. He 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.



Pune Book Festival 16th to 24th December 2023







शांतता पुणेकर वाचत आहेत:१४.१२.२०२३

14.12.2023: शांतता पुणेकर वाचत आहेत, Exceptional event under the Pune Book Festival to promote Book Reading Culture

Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 under the guidance of P.E.Society Chairman Hon'ble Prof.Dr. Gajanan Ekbote Sir; Secretary Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir; Joint Secretary and CDC Chairperson Prof. Dr. Jyotsna Ekbote Madam; Deputy Secretary Prof. Dr. Nivedita Ekbote Madam and Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir observed the शांतता पुणेकर वाचत आहेत session in which the college students and staff participated with great enthusiasm.

This is one of the events under the Pune Book Festival which is coordinated by Hon'ble Shri. Rajesh Pande

The Book Reading Session witnessed the presence of Shri. Yuvraj Malik, Director, National Book Trust, New Delhi; Dr. Sanjay Chakne, Principal, T.J.College, Khadki; Prof. Bageshri Manthalkar Madam, Management Council Member, SPPU. Yuvraj Malik Sir delivered a thought provoking, motivational speech on the importance of books and reading.

We were fortunate to have Shri. Yuvraj Malik Sir for a visit to our Library and Information Centre. He appreciated the Book Stacking, Periodicals Section, Services provided for the users, overall arrangement and Library Automation.









शांतता पुणेकर वाचत आहेत:१४.१२.२०२३













3. Atal Bihari Vajpayee Jayanti: 25th December 2023

On 25.12.2023- 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 Atal Bihari Vajpayee'.

In his speech, Principal Sir mentioned that Atal Bihari Vajpayee was an Indian politician who was the 10th Prime Minister of India. He was one of the co-founders and a senior leader of the BJP. He was also a renowned poet and a writer. During his tenure as prime minister, India carried out the Pokhran-II nuclear tests in 1998. Atal Bihari Vajpayee's government introduced many domestic economic and infrastructural reforms, including encouraging the private sector and foreign investments, reducing governmental waste, encouraging research and development and privatisation of some government owned corporations.

In 2014, Prime Minister Hon'ble Shri. Narendra Modi declared that Atal Bihari Vajpayee's birthday, 25 December, would be marked as Good Governance Day. In 2015, he was conferred India's highest civilian honour, the Bharat Ratna, by the president of India, Pranab Mukherjee.

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









4. Veer Bal Diwas: 26th December 2023

On 26.12.2023- 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 'Veer Bal Diwas'.

Vice-Principal Faculty of Commerce Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Teaching and non-teaching Staff paid their respect to the Sahebzades. In his speech, Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad mentioned that Veer Bal Diwas is observed in honour of the "Sahibzadas", the four sons of Guru Gobind Singh Ji. Last year on January 9 2022, on the birth anniversary of Guru Gobind Singh, Prime Minister of India Hon'ble Shri. Narendra Modiji declared that December 26 would be observed as 'Veer Bal Diwas' in remembrance of the Sikh guru's sons' martyrdom. This day commemorates the martyrdom day of the Sahibzadas Zorawar Singh and Fateh Singh. On this day Mughal forces under Aurangzeb's order killed Sahibzada Zorawar Singh, who was just six years old, and Fateh Singh, who was only nine. Zorawar Singh and Fateh Singh were the youngest sons of Guru Gobind Singh Ji. They were held captive by the Mughal army and were forced to convert to Islam. The two young Sahibzadas refused to convert and expressed their love for their religion and were allegedly sentenced to death by bricking alive. I am thankful to the Library Staff who were present during the program.







5. Panjabrao Deshmukh Jayanti: 27.12.2023

The Library and Information Centre of P.E.Society's Modern College of Arts Science and Commerce Autonomous Shivajinagar Pune-5 today observed the Birth Anniversary of Dr.Panjabrao Deshmukh as per the Government of Maharashtra Resolution.

Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao, staff members and students paid their respect to the great leader.

Principal Sir mentioned that Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh also known as Bhausaheb Deshmukh was a social activist and a leader to farmers in India. He was the Minister of Agriculture in the first cabinet of Jawaharlal Nehru in 1952.

He dedicated his talent and energy for the formulation and implementation of the policies that would bring prosperity to agriculture and the agriculturist. He established the Bharat Krishak Samaj and launched a campaign called Food for Millions in 1955. He introduced the Japanese method of rice cultivation in 1958 and organized the World Agriculture Fair in 1959.

Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh started the process of establishing agricultural universities across the country and supported agricultural education and research. He appeared for poor peasants in many cases at the district court of Amravati. In 1931 he established Shivaji Education Society at Amravati. This education society grew to become the second largest in Maharashtra.

I am thankful to Dr. Nisha Bhandare, Head, Department of Marathi; Dr. Rupesh Bansode, Department of Commerce; library staff members and students for attending the programme.







1.Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Jayanti: 3rd January 2024

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 3.1.2024 as per the guidelines in Government of Maharashtra Resolutions. Savitribai Phule was a social reformer, educationalist, and poet from Maharashtra.

Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Vice Principal Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Vice Principal Dr. Anjali Sardesai, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe, Teaching and Non-teaching Staff and students 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)'.

Dr. Nisha Bhandare, Head, Department of Marathi presented a Marathi Poetry on Savitribai Phule.

Ms. Usha Kamble (Alumni of Department of Marathi, Modern College, Pune-5), working with Dr. Babasaheb

Ambedkar Research and Training Institute, Pune, nicely presented One-act Play on 'होय मी सावित्री बोलतय'. This was her 396th stage performance on the topic.

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























2. Jijau Maa Saheb Jayanti and Swami Vivekananda Jayanti : 12th January 2024

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 12.01.2024.

Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, Vice-Principal Dr. Shubhangi Puranik, College Librarian Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Teachers, Library Staff and students paid their respect to Jijau Maa Saheb and Swami Vivekanand.

Principal Sir 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. The National Youth Day is being celebrated every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.

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

















3. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti (Parakram Diwas) and Balasaheb Thackeray Jayanti: 23rd January 2023

On 23.1.2024, 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 the Birth Anniversaries of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and Late Balasaheb Thackeray. Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, Faculty of Arts Vice-Principal Dr. Amruta Oke, Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian, Teachers, Library Staff Members and students paid their respect to the great leaders.

Dr. Amruta Oke Madam addressed about the life, work done by both the leaders and their contribution. I am thankful to the Library Staff Members for organising the programme.





















1. Sant Sevalal Maharaj Jayanti: 15th February 2024

On 15th February 2024, 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, Faculty of Commerce Vice-Principal Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, 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. I am thankful to the teaching faculty members of the Department of Hindi, library staff members, who were present during the programme.









2. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti: 19th February 2024

On the occasion of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti 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 Principal Dr.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir celebrated the birth of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in College Assembly Hall. Vice Principals Prof.Shamkant Deshmukh, Prof.Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Prof.Sanjay Thengadi, Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe, all HODs, teaching staff, non-teaching staff and students were present for the celebrations. The program started with 'Maharashtra Rajyageet'.

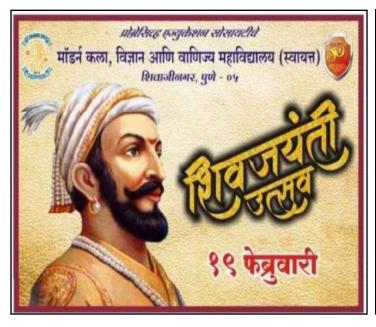
Principal Dr.R.S.Zunjarrao Sir, Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir and Prof. Sanjay Thengadi Sir addressed the gathering by highlighting the courageous success stories of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, impact of Jijau Maa Saheb on Shivaji Maharaj, teachings and importance of Dadoji Kondadeo, Shri Ramdas Swami and Tukaram Maharaj on life of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Principal 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.

Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir mentioned how Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj is the true 'Management Guru' in true sense and mentioned the Theory of POSDCORB. Sir concluded his speech by mentioning "Shivaji Maharaj also known as SHIVRAI was born in SHIVneri and left for his heavenly abode in RAIgad."

Shri.Amit Salunke, Clerk, Library anchored the program and presented the Vote of Thanks.

From-Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.











































3. Balshastri Jambhekar Jayanti : 20th February 2024

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 Balshastri Jambhekar on 20.02.2024 as per the Government of Maharashtra Resolution.

Principal Dr.Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir, College Librarian Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Teachers and Library Staff paid their respect to Balshastri Jambhekar, who is also known as Father of Marathi Journalism for his efforts in starting journalism in Marathi language with the first newspaper in the language named 'Darpan' in the early days of British Rule in India.

Principal Sir mentioned that during the British Rule in India, Balshastri Jambhekar understood the power of print media and was sure that if the British were to be overthrown and freedom was to be attained, then it was essential to awaken the masses and the print media was the most useful tool for the same. Balshastri Jambhekar understood the importance of public libraries. He founded 'The Bombay Native General Library'. He also started 'Native Improvement Society', of which 'Student's Literary and Scientific Society' was an offshoot. Intellectual giants like Dadabhai Navroji and Bhau Daji Lad drew inspiration through these institutions. Dadabhai Naoroji, Atmaram Pandurang and many other prominent scholars, future activists were Bal Shastri's pupils at the Elphinstone College. In 1840 he published first Marathi monthly, Digdarshan (meaning direction in English). He edited this magazine for 5 years. Digdarshan published articles on various subjects including physics, chemistry, geography, history etc.

He had mastery in many languages including Marathi, Sanskrit, English and Hindi. Apart from that he also had a good grasp of Greek, Latin, French, Gujarati and Bengali.

He was the first Indian to have published research papers in the quarterly journal of the Asiatic Society. He was the first person to print Dnyaneshwari in 1845. It was known as the first ever-printed version. He was also well known as the first professor of Hindi in the Elphinston College, Mumbai. He also worked as Director of the Colaba Observatory. He wrote books like Neetikatha (stories on morality), Encyclopedic History of England, English grammar, History of India and Mathematics based on Zero.

I am thankful to Dr. A.E.Sonawane, Associate Professor, Department of Geography and the library staff members who were present during the programme.





4.Sant Gadge Baba Jayanti: 23rd February 2024

On 23rd February 2024, 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' 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 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.

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 Gadge Baba.

Shri. Amit Salunke, Clerk, Library presented the Vote of Thanks.

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





5.Sant Ravidas Maharaj Jayanti : 24th February 2024 (तिथिनुसार)

On 24.02.2024, 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 Ravidas Maharaj as per the instructions in Government of Maharashtra's GR under the guidance of Principal Dr. R.S.Zunjarrao Sir.

Vice-Principal Dr. Amruta Oke; Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta; Library staff and students paid their respect to Sant Ravidas ji Maharaj.

Dr. Amruta Oke 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.

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









Pune Pustak Parikrama (पुणे पुस्तक परिक्रमा) 7.3.2024

As an initiative of Progressive Education Society's Hon'ble Chairman Prof. Dr. G. R. Ekbote Sir, Secretary Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir, Joint Secretary Prof. Dr. Jyotsna Ekbote Madam, Deputy Secretary Prof.Dr. Nivedita Ekbote Madam, Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao Sir, on 7.3.2024, the Library and Information Centre of the Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 invited the Mobile Library Bus of the 'Pune Pustak Parikrama' (पुणे पुस्तक परिक्रमा).

The 'Pune Pustak Parikrama' was inaugurated on 27.2.2024 on the occasion of Marathi Bhasha Gaurav Din in the Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. The Mobile Library Bus is in joint collaboration of Ministry of Education, Govt. of India; National Book Trust, New Delhi and the Pune Book Festival, with a noble objective to promote reading and writing culture. The Book Sale and Exhibition was inaugurated by Respected Principal Dr. R. S. Zunjarrao Sir in presence of Secretary, P. E. Society and Vice-Principal Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh Sir. The exhibition received overwhelming response from teaching, non-teaching faculty members and students.

Pune Pustak Parikrama (पुणे पुस्तक परिक्रमा) 7.3.2024













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1. Yashwantrao Chavan Jayanti: 12th March 2024

On 12th March 2024, 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, Vice-Principal Prof. Sunil Doiphode; Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta; Library Staff Members 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 and students who were present during the programme.









2. Shaheed Din: 23rd March 2024

On 23rd March 2024, 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, Vice Principal Prof. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, and Library Staff paid their respect to the 03 freedom fighters. Dr. Vijay Gaikwad 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 Sutlei River.

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





1.Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jayanti: 11th April 2024

On 11.04.2024, 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, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta and 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 mentioned 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.

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









2. Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti:13th & 14th April 2024

Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Bharat Ratna Dr.Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti on 14.04.2024.

The celebrations of the 'Knowledge Day' started from Saturday, 13.04.2024 by organising 'READATHON' (14 hours Abhyas Abhiyan) from 07:00 a.m. to 09:00 p.m. Several students, teaching and non-teaching staff participated in the Reading Movement which aims to inculcate reading habits.

On Sunday, 14.04.2024, in the presence of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra Zunjarrao; Prof. Shamkant Deshmukh, Secretary, P.E.Society; Prof. Sanjay Thengadi, Vice Principal, Faculty of Science; Vice Principal; Dr.Vijay Gaikwad, Vice Principal, Faculty of Commerce; Junior College Vice Principal Prof. Sunil Doiphode; Junior College Supervisor Prof. Subhash Karekar, Dr. Harsh Gaikwad, 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 explained the strong bond of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar with Libraries and Education. 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. Vilas Kamble, Head, Department of Geography presented several Reference Sources by and on Bharat Ratna Dr.B.R.Ambedkar.

Dr. Nisha Bhandare, Head, Department of Marathi, did comparing of the Program, Library Staff Mr. Amit Salunke gave the Vote of Thanks.







































































3. Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Jayanti: 30th April 2024

On 30.04.2024, 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, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, and Library Staff paid their respect to Sant Tukdoji Maharaj.

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 Tukdoji Maharaj Nagpur University.

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









1.Mahatma Basweshwar Jayanti: 10th May 2024

On 10.05.2024, 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 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.







2.Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Jayanti: 14th May 2024

On 14.05.2024, the Library and Information Centre of Progressive Education Society's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune-5 celebrated Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Jayanti as per the Government of Maharashtra GR.

Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. R S Zunjarrao Sir, Librarian Dr. Shantashree Sengupta, Library and Gymkhana Staff members paid their respect to Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj.

Principal Sir mentioned that, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj was the eldest son of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and the second Chhatrapati of the Maratha Empire. Sir also briefed about the early life, military expeditions and conflicts, governance, innovations and literary contributions of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj. Sambhaji Maharaj composed several books during his lifetime. The most notable is 'Budhbhushanam' written in Marathi and Sanskrit.

I am thankful to all the Staff Members who were present during the program.









3. National Anti-terrorism Day: 21st May 2024

On 21st May 2024, 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 Maharashtra Government GR.

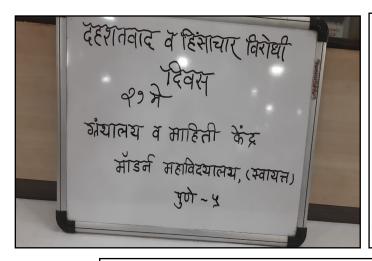
Under the guidance of Respected Principal Dr. Rajendra S. Zunjarrao Sir and the Library Staff took the pledge of 'दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवस'.

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.

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

Regards, Dr.Shantashree Sengupta, Librarian.



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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.

दहशतवाद व हिंसाचार विरोधी दिवसाच्या निमित्ताने घ्यावयाची प्रतिज्ञा.

" आम्ही, भारताचे नागरिक, आपल्या देशाच्या अहिंसा व सिहण्यूतेच्या 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 विधिष्णू करु, तसेच मानवी जिवित आणि मूल्ये धोक्यात आणणाऱ्या विघटनकारी शक्तीचा प्रतिकार करु."













4. Swantantrayveer Savarkar Jayanti: 28th May 2024

On 28th May 2024, 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, 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.







5. Ahilyadevi Holkar Jayanti: 31st May 2024

On 31st May 2024, 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, Registrar Shri. Ganesh Sathe, Non-teaching staff members 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 staff members who were present during the programme.





