BPHE Society's Ahmednagar College Ahmednagar **Annual Report** <u>2021 - 2022</u>

The first part of the Annual Report for the academic year 2021 - 2022. Unlike the previous years, this year has been completely different. Due to the prevailing pandemic and extended lockdown, the College has been conducting online classes for both the Junior and Senior wing. The admission process was also conducted online keeping in mind the safety of the students. Admissions are still in process. Recently the offline classes have started at full strength.

The College has submitted a proposal to the SPPU to start Research Centre in Psychology from the next academic year. The Local Inquiry Committee visit is expected in January, 2022. The College will be submitting a proposal in the next phase to start Research Centres in Economics and Hindi.

It's a matter of great pride to inform you all that around 150 students from the PG Departments of Microbiology, Biotechnology, Physics, Maths, Bio-Chemistry, Organic-Chemistry, Drug-Chemistry and Computer Science were placed in Campus Interviews. Companies such as TCS, Infosys, Mindtree, Cognizant, Wipro, Capegemini, Jubilent Biosys Ltd, Syngene International, Cleanchem Laboratory etc held their placement drive in the Campus. 21 students of the College cleared SET/NET Exams. 14 students have obtained Ph.D Degrees from our Research Centre.

We are happy to inform you that the Savitribai Phule Pune University has certified the Innovation and Startup Cell of our College as per the norms of Innovation, Incubation and Linkages.

At the behest of the Savitribai Phule Pune University, the College organized the CAS placement camp on 04th September, 2021 for all the teachers of Ahmednagar district who were eligible to be placed in the new pay scales. 58 teachers attended the aforesaid camp from all over Ahmednagar District.

The College in collaboration with Patanjali Yog Centre, Ahmednagar organized an online One Month Yoga Camp. This camp was open for all under the IQAC initiative of the College. Shri. Gautam Gambhire, Director of School Education, Pune Region was the Chief Instructor of the Camp. On the occasion of International Yoga Day the College had organized a Yoga Demonstration on 21st June, 2021. Dr. K K Kanojia was the chief Instructor.

Under the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan program the College had carried out many activities such as International Women Day, Anti Terrorism Day - Oath Taking, Shiv Swarajaya Din. On the occasion of Hiroshima Day One Department One

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tree a unique activity was organized under the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. 40 saplings were planted. The students of the College had participated in a National Regional Level Video and Poster making completion organized by the Govt of India. Ms. Aishwarya Yemul student of F.Y.B.Com secured 03rd prize in the same.

Keeping abreast with the current scenario the Student Welfare Dept and the NSS Wing of the College jointly organized a Covid Vaccination Drive in the Campus on 28th October, 2021. 52 staff and students were vaccinated under this drive.

The dept of Commerce had organized National Chartered Accountant Day on 01st July, 2021. CA Amit Firodiya and CA Sandeep Desarda were the Guest Speakers.

The dept of Political Science organized a lecture series on the topic Recent Perspective in Political Science. Hon. Judge Kolse Patil was one of the 4 Guest Speakers.

The dept of Geography organized a lecture series on the occasion of National River Day and Sustainable Tourism Day on 26th and 27th September, 2021 respectively.

The dept of Psychology organized a lecture on the topic "Stress Management" on the occasion of World Mental Health Day on 10th October, 2021.

The dept of Physics organized Akshay Urja Divas on 20th August, 2021. Two Guest Lectures and a student Panel discussion was organized by the dept. The dept also organized a two day workshop on 'Solar PV Design and Setup' on 11th and 12th December, 2021.

The dept of Maths organized a District Level Talk on "Introduction to Machine Learning with Python" on 18th October, 2021.

The dept of Statistics organized a lecture series on "Career Opportunities in Statistics" on 25th September, 2021.

The dept of Biotechnology organized a lecture series on the occasion of World Food Day on 21st October, 2021. Ms. Shital Shinde delivered a talk on the topic 'Post Covid Nutritious Diet' and Mr. Sandesh Marathe from IIT Mumbai, talked on the topic "Research in Food Bioactivities and Functional Foods".

The Govt of Maharashatra under its AIDS Niyantaran Sanstha had organized a district level quiz competition. The students of our College Mr. Kartik Pawar and Mr. Ganesh Toge secured 03rd Prize.

The RCDA Wing of the College organized few activities for the physically challenged students of the College. To name a few a lecture on "Career

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Opportunities for Physically Challenged" was organized on 29th August, 2021. Dr. Darshana Jain was the guest speaker.

Ms. Firdoz Sayyed, student of FYBA has been selected for the Republic Day Camp to be held at New Delhi.

The NCC cadets of the College organized a small prayer meet on 10th December, 2021 to pay homage to the CDS – Gen. Bipin Rawat and other Army Personnel of our Country who passed away in a tragic helicopter crash on 08th December, 2021.

The College organized an Eye Check Up camp in the campus in the month of June.

RESEARCH

Research has been the key area of our College for some time now. I feel proud to mention that in the field of research we have been doing exceedingly well as research plays a significant role in the academic arena of the college. In the 8 research centers of the College 148 students have registered to complete their doctoral studies. 58 out of 81 Senior College Staff members have Ph. D degrees and 27 of them are recognized Ph. D Guides.

Many teachers are contributing towards research publications in reputed national and international journals and have also attended international and national level seminars/workshops etc. and presented papers therein.

STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

It's a matter of great pride to announce that Dr. A E Gawade, Head Dept of Microbiology and Dr. S R Bale, Associate Professor, Dept of Botany have been awarded Indian Patent from the Govt of India. This is the first of its kind accomplishment in the history of Ahmednagar College.

Dr. V S Kadam, Head dept of History, Dr. S L Chavan, Dept of Hindi and Dr. P B Shelke, Head dept of Physics have been promoted to the post of Professor under CAS. At present we have 17 full time Professors in the College and quite a few are expected to be promoted as Professors as they have fulfilled all the conditions and are waiting for the CAS committee to come.

Prof. Dr. Richa R Sharma, Head dept of Hindi received an award from the Uttar Pradesh Govt for her Book "Vaishvikaran ke aaiyne me Hindi Patrakarita'.

Prof. Dr. C V Joshi, Head dept of Marathi received Markandaya Guru Gaurav Puraskar.

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Prof. Dr. S K Shelar, dept of Marathi received an award from the Padamashree Vikhe Patil Foundation for his contribution in the field of Marathi Literature.

Dr. S K Mohapatra, Head dept of Sociology received Shikshak Ratna award from the Bharatiya Yuva Vikas Samiti, Uttar Pradesh.

Dr. Ravikiran Late, Assistant Professor Dept of Physics has been awarded Ph.D from the Savitribai Phule Pune University.

Dr. S N Razak, Head Dept of Computer Science has been given an extension of two more years as the Vice Principal of the College from 01.07.2021 to 30.06.2023.

Dr. M H Shinde, Assistant Professor dept of Economics has been appointed as the Chairman of Examination for a period of 3 years wef. 01.10.2021.

Dr. R D Tak, Professor Dept of Chemistry has been appointed as the new College Examination Officer for a period of 3 years wef. 01.10.2021.

Dr. D D Gaikwad, Assistant Professor Dept of Chemistry has been appointed as an Assistant to the College Examination Officer for a period of 3 years wef. 01.10.2021.

Prof. D G Bhalsing, Associate Professor Dept of Zoology has been appointed as the Head of the Dept of Zoology in pursuant to the superannuation of Dr. N R Somwanshi wef. 01.09.2021.

Prof. Rajashri V Bhope has been appointed as the Coordinator of the Dept of Biotechnology wef. 01.09.2021.

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