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## NAAC PEER TEAM VISIT TO THE COLLEGE

The college has surpassed another milestone by successfully completing the third cycle, self study and assessment, by



NAAC. The assessment and accreditation process started in September 2017 when the college submitted the IIQA, reached its logical conclusion when the NAAC appointed Peer Team visited the college for an on-site assessment on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

The college had submitted the self study report online in October 2017. This online submission accounts for 70% of the accreditation by NAAC. For the remaining 30% of the accreditation, NAAC had appointed three veteran educationists : Dr. Shirish R Kulkarni, Vice Chancellor of Sardar Patel University, Vallabh

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## RHAPSODY

'Rhapsody', a series of competitions and programmes, was organized from the 13<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> of December, as a part of 70 years educational leadership celebrations, to give the present generation of students a platform to present their reflections on the values that Ahmednagar College has stood for. 'Rhapsody' was organized also to celebrate the manifold talents and skills of the students. More than 200 students from Ahmednagar Junior College and Senior College participated in Essay, Mehendi, Quiz, Selfie, Rangoli, Best out of waste, Elocution, Singing, Cricket, Basketball and Volleyball competitions. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2017 the winners were felicitated and congratulated by Dr. N. M. Aston, Chairman, BPHEs, and Dr R. J. Barnabas. Chief Guest Dr. N. M. Aston congratulated the students on their achievements and

encouraged them to take up new tasks in their future.



He also congratulated the entire Rhapsody team for organizing the 8 day celebration perfectly.

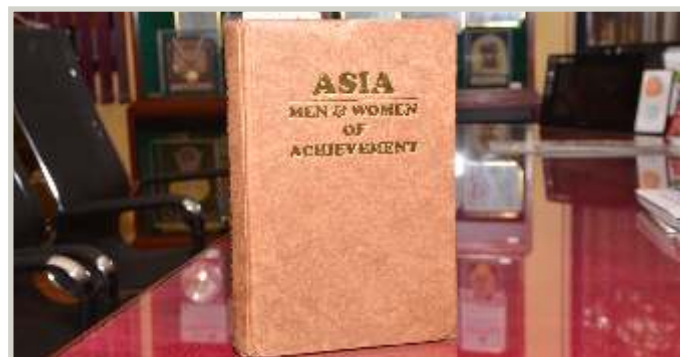


## THREE MORE AWARDS TO PRINCIPAL DR. R.J. BARNABAS

This year the glory of Ahmednagar College was escorted onto a newer, grander, pedestal, to dazzle before the international educational community when Principal Dr. R. J. Barnabas was conferred with three more International Awards :

- Asian Meritorious Education Excellence Award by Economic Growth Society of India
- Asia Men and Women of Achievement
- Global, Image of Asia International Award For Education Excellence

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Vidyanagar, Gujarat; Prof. Niranjan Roy, Professor and Dean, Dept. of Economics, Assam University, Silchar; and Dr. Payal Mago, Principal, Shaeed Rajguru College of Applied Sciences for Women, Delhi. Under the Chairmanship of Dr. Shirish Kulkarni, the Peer Team conducted the on-site assessment over two days during which they visited twelve academic departments and all facilities of the College. The Peer Team had separate meetings with the Principal, the Management, the IQAC, the heads of departments, the teaching and non-teaching staff members, alumni, parents and the students. The Peer Team also witnessed a cultural program presented by the students of the College.

The entire exercise went off in the most conducive manner. The Team expressed their happiness about their experience on the campus during the Exit Meeting. The College is now awaiting the outcome of this assessment and accreditation process.



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



I am very happy to present the 2018 issue of the "The Chronicle". The academic year 2017-18 kept us busy all through with so many exciting developments. Foremost among them was the fact that we were celebrating the 70 years of the founding of the College. Though we didn't want to have any flashy celebration, it was felt that it is an occasion that reminds us of the significance of the legacy we bear. Therefore, we designed some college-level activities focusing on showcasing the talents of the students. Retrospectively, I feel that "Celebrating 70 Years of Educational Leadership" was a sincere tribute to our Founder, Dr. Hivale, and all those who stood by him in fostering this College.

Right from the start, the year has been an eventful one. Honorable Vice Chancellor, a friend and well-wisher of the College, Dr. Nitin Karmalkar visited our premises and spoke to the staff and students. We signed a clutch of MoUs during the year for outreach activities, value-added courses and soft-skills training. We undertook the long-winding Self Study culminating in the visit by the NAAC appointed Peer Team in March 2018.

Reflecting over the year, I feel that we in Ahmednagar College keep returning to the founding goals of the institution – "Not Things but Men". Dr. Bhaskar Pandurang Hivale sacrificed his comfort of his career and the prospects of a life in metropolitan city not to merely run an educational institute. He wanted to be a change maker. He wanted the College he founded to be a catalyst in bringing about change in the lives of not only individuals but also, eventually, in the society at large. Hence, it is not surprising that we at Ahmednagar College frequently take up projects that directly or indirectly impact society.

I must also share with you how the year's activities have led me to reflect on the importance of collaboration. In these times of competitiveness, the virtues of cooperation are sometimes ignored. Indeed, I believe that it is through collaborative work that we can achieve more, and, more swiftly. Ahmednagar College hopes to build on this front in the next academic year by increasing the number of collaborative projects in research, outreach, student support, academics, etc.

Even as I satisfactorily look back on the year that has passed, I also feel excited to the opportunities and challenges the new academic year brings with it.

**May God bless this great institution of ours.**

**Dr. R J Barnabas**



## FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS



• Dr. Kamalakar Bhat , Dept. of English was appointed as the Vice Principal of the College in November 2017.

- Dr. Bhat's third collection of poems in Kannada "Jagada Jate Matukate" (A Word with the World) was published. He also published a book on Marathi poet Namdeo Dhasal in Kannada.



• Prof. Dr. B.M. Gaykar, Dept. of Botany, was appointed as the Vice Principal of the College in November 2017.

Dr. Sunil Kavade, Head of Department of Political Science, was awarded Ph. D. by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad. His thesis was "A Role of Christian



## Launching of Snehabandha



Principal Dr. R. J. Barnabas signed a Memorandum of Understanding with four prestigious NGOs on 2nd December 2017 as a social outreach venture, 'Snehabandha', open to the college students as well as the college alumni.

The MOU was signed with Dr. Rajendra Dhamane & Dr. Sucheta Dhamane, the founders of 'Mauli Pratishthan'; Mr.

Missionaries in Ahmednagar District: A Socio-Political Study of American Marathi Mission



- Dr. Santosh Deshmukh, Department of Chemistry, was awarded Ph.D. degree by Savitribai Phule Pune University. Topic of the Ph.D. was "Synthesis and

Biological evaluation of Chiral oxetanes, C-2 and C-3 alkynyl, 3-0 alkyl, chiral oxetane bicycles derived from L-Ascorbic acid. Synthesis of Phthalazinone derivatives via Pd-catalyzed cross coupling reactions."

- Dr. Sudhakar Shelar, Coordinator Marathi Research Centre has been elected as a member of Academic Council of Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune



Rajendra Pawar, founder of 'Navjeevan Pratishthan'; Mr. Raosaheb Zhaware, founder of 'Aadarsh Gramin Mahila Mandal' and Mr. Rafik Munshi, founder of 'Karmayogi Pratishthan'.



## FACULTY AWARDS



- Dr. N.R. Somwanshi, head of the Department of BIOTECHNOLOGY, "Samaj Bhushan Puraskar 2017".



- Prof. Dr. B. M. Gaykar, Dept. of Botany, has been awarded with the "INNOVATIVE ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND DEDICATED

TEACHING FACULTY AWARD" by Engineering Today in Association with Society of Engineers and Technicians, Kuala Lumpur, Malayasia in the International Convention held at Kuala Lumpur, Malayasia during 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2017.



- Dr. Abhijit Kulkarni, Dept. of Botany, has been awarded as "INNOVATIVE ACADEMIC

RESEARCH AND DEDICATED TEACHING FACULTY AWARD" by Engineering Today in Association with Society of Engineers and Technicians, Kuala Lumpur, Malayasia. In the

International Convention held at Kuala Lumpur, Malayasia from 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

- Dr. S. B. Iyyer Head, Department of Physics has been conferred with the Prestigious "International Doctor of Literature" (DLitt) by the University of DIAM, Nagaland, 1) The Glory of India Award 2017 from Best Citizen

Publishing House New Delhi. 2) "Rising men of India Award for the year 2017 3) "Mother Teresa Global Award for Excellence 2017 4) " Bharat Excellence Award for the year 2017"

- Dr. P. B. Shelke, Department of Physics received Bhaskar Raye award for best senior college Physics teacher from Indian Physics Association on 4th September 2017 at Department of Physics, Savitribai Phule Pune University.



## Felicitation of Team IQAC

- The IQAC Team comprising Dr. Kamalakar Bhat, Coordinator, and Members : Prof. Dr. B. M. Gaikar, Dr. Arvind Nagawade, Dr. R.P. Deshmukh, Dr. P.B. Shelke, Dr. P.C. Bederkar & Dr. Yogesh Yeole, were felicitated by Dr. N. M. Aston the Chairman of the BPHE Society's Management Committee for their continuous dedicated contribution towards representing the College before the NAAC Peer Team.





## COLLEGE DAY AND THE ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

The College Day which marked the culmination of the Seventy Years of Educational Leadership Celebrations was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 in which Padmashri Satish Aalekar was the chief guest. Dr. N. M. Aston, Chairman, BPHE



Society, Mr. Vishal Barnabas, Secretary, B P H E Society, former Principal D.M. Uzagare, Member, BPHE Society, graced the occasion with Hon. Principal Dr. R. J. Barnabas. This function saw wonderful cultural performances from the students of the college. There were solo and group dances and songs presented by our students. Chief

Guest Padmashri Satish Aalekar appreciated the performances. He inspired the students with his very enlightening speech.

The college had organized the Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018. Famous lyricist Mr. Raman Randive, was the chief guest. Academic, sports and extra-curricular prizes were given away at his hands at the ceremony. Mr. Raman



Randive, spoke on the occasion and noted the valuable contributions made by Ahmednagar College in the field of higher education.

## FOUNDER'S DAY

The 129<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of the founder of Ahmednagar College, Rev. Dr. B.P. Hivale, was celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018. Former Principal D. M. Uzagare, was the chief guest of the function. In his speech, Principal D.M. Uzagare expressed his gratitude towards the Founder Dr. Hivale. Principal Dr. R.J. Barnabas in his

foreword introduced the guest and all the heads of the three institutes paid tributes to the Founder offering a garland to his bust. Students, faculty and staff of entire BPHE Society fraternity were present on this occasion.



## STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS

**Kalyani Shinde**, an NSS volunteer, secured the second position in the elocution competition in 'Vidhyarthini Yuvak Mahotsav' on 4 October 17. She was selected for the University level.

**Premraj Parate**, Dept. of Psychology, won silver medal in Inter College Boxing Tournaments 2017 and qualified for Inter Zonal Boxing Tournaments

**Avanti Hoshing**, Dept. of Psychology, got 4<sup>th</sup> position in open category Holographic Poetry Competition

**Geetanjali Sinha**, Dept. of English, participated in a Women's Voter Literacy Programme organized by the Collector's Office, Ahmednagar.

**Kamaljeet Singh**, Dept. of English, participated and won the second rank in an elocution competition organized by the Students Welfare Dept., SPPU.

**Gopika Manoj**, Dept. of English, won the individual consolation prize and the

third in the group prize at the Sharada Trophy Debate competition held at Sarda college, Ahmednagar in September 2017.

**Ms. Sayali Kalamkar** was selected for all India wrestling competition.

**Ms. Sneha Patel** was selected in the Basketball team for Mahakrida tournament held at Dapoli

**Lokendra Singh** was selected in the University Basketball team for west zone Basketball tournament.

**Shankar Shinde** won the trophy in the inter collegiate poetry competition organized by B.Y.K. College of Commerce, Nashik for the Best Social Poem and the Best Poet.

**Prajakta Bhalsingh, Alfiya Rampurwala** students of the Computer Science Department stood First and Second respectively in the University third year examination.

## CELEBRATING 70 YEARS OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Seventy glorious years of Ahmednagar College in educational leadership was celebrated this year. The celebrations were organized to commemorate the devotion, dedication, determination and dynamism that was the spirit of the vision and mission of Ahmednagar College throughout the years.

The celebrations were crowned by the visit of the Hon. Vice-chancellor, SPPU, Professor (Dr.) Nitin Karmalkar, on 25th July 2017. He appreciated and applauded the various achievements and contributions of the college in the fields of education, research and social outreach over the years.





## NEWS FROM BBA

On 4th December 2017 the department of BBA organized an industrial visit as a part of business exposure to the students. The students visited Kontak Comforts Ltd. and Gal Aluminum Ltd. in Bhalawni.

Students of all the three years of B.B.A went for a five day Internship of Big Bazaar Maha Bachat Days. This internship gave them on ground experience of how business is done and



they received an Internship Certificate from the Future Generali group.

## NEWS FROM DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

An educational tour was organized by the Department for T.Y.B.Sc., M.Sc. Biotechnology students and teaching faculty to the Animal husbandry and Dairy sciences, M.P.K.V., Rahuri and Mauli Milk processing unit, Brahmani, Rahuri in September 2017.

The department of Biotechnology established the 'Bioinformatics Laboratory' for undergraduate and post graduate students. The laboratory was inaugurated by principal Dr. R.J.



Barnabas, Chief Course Coordinator Non Grant Courses, Dr. N.R. Somwanshi.

## NEWS FROM BOTANY DEPARTMENT

Students of M.Sc. Botany I and II visited MPKV, Rahuri. They visited different Departments such as Post Harvest Technology, Plant Pathology, Biotechnology and Dhanwantari Udyan.

A study tour to Harishchandra Gadh was organised for the study of flora. A study tour to Tamhini Ghat, Pune was also organized. A one day trip to Bhimashankar was organized for the study of vegetation, ethno-medicinally important plants and for the collection of Bryophytes and Pteridophytes.

A Photography Competition was



organized by the Post Graduate Department of Botany on 8th Feb. 2017. Students of different Colleges of Ahmednagar City participated in the competition.

## NEWS FROM CHEMISTRY

Dr. A. V. Nagawade was appointed as the head of department from 1 July 2017.

One additional division for organic chemistry was started on non-grant basis with a good response from aspirant students.

A guest lecture on 'Aspects of Nano Technology' by Dr. Bharat Kale, Director, CMET Pune was arranged on 10th Feb. 2018 for PG students



## COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT



A one day seminar was organized on 'Robotics' by Dr James English from Massachusetts, USA on 21th August 2017 to encourage students to study about new Robotic technology.

A one day State Level Symposium on "Recent Trends in Information Technology" was organized on 13th December 2017.



## CAREER GUIDANCE CELL

The Career Guidance Cell organized continuous lecture series for students enrolled for MPSC/UPSC Preliminary Examination. Dr. S. J. Kavade, Dr. Madhav Shinde, Prof. V. V. Nabde, Prof. F. B. Shaikh, delivered lectures at the Career Guidance Cell.

Mr. Ajay Mahadeo Salve, ex. student of the department of Political Science has cleared

MPSC examination for Executive Officer (Nagarpalika)

The following students of the department cleared the NET and SET Exam: Sachin Waghmare (SET and NET), Ganesh Sathe (SET), Ganesh Shelke (SET), Yuvaraj Mahadik (SET), Aishawarya Sagade (SET)



## NEWS FROM COMMERCE DEPARTMENT

Dr. D. B. More was given charge as the Head of commerce department.

The department was renovated and the inauguration of the renovated Department was held on 14.11.2017 at the hands of Principal Dr. R J Barnabas.

A variety entertainment programme, Euphoria 2018 was conducted.



## NEWS FROM ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Geetanjali Sinha participated in a Women's Voter Literacy Programme organized by the Collector's Office, Ahmednagar. Kamaljeet Singh participated and won the second rank in an elocution competition organized by the Students Welfare Dept., SPPU. Gopika Manoj won the individual consolation prize and the third in the group prize at the Sharada Trophy Debate competition held at Sarda college, Ahmednagar in September 2017.

The department staff & students



visited the NGO Savali and interacted with the founder Nitesh Bansode and the children of the orphanage.

## NEWS FROM ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT

The students of the department were taken for industrial visits to MIDC, Ahmednagar on 28 September 2017 to

Gajaraj Drycleaners and Progressive Elastomers.

## GYMKHANA NEWS

Ahmednagar College organized inter-collegiate Football (Men), Tennis (Men/Women) and Cricket (Men) tournaments and inter zonal Football (Men) tournament. Ms. Sayali Kalamkar was selected for all India

wrestling competition. Ms. Sneha Patel was selected in the Basketball team for Mahakrida tournament held at Dapoli. Lokendra Singh was selected in the University Basketball team for west Zone Basketball tournament.

## NEWS FROM GANDHIAN STUDIES CENTRE

The Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated International Youth Day and Birth Anniversaries of Swami Vivekananda And Rajmata Jijau Maa Saheb. Prof. Madhusudan Mule delivered lecture on "Mahatma Gandhi and Youth" on the occasion.

The death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi (Martyrs' Day) was observed. On this occasion renowned educationist and Gandhian thinker Prof. Shrikant Bedekar delivered a lecture on "Relevance of Mahatma Gandhi's Thoughts".

The Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated the birth anniversary of the competent and progressive civil ruler and great warrior King

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. On this occasion Dr. Sudhakar Shelar Head, Marathi Research Centre, Ahmednagar College, Ahmednagar delivered lecture on "Contribution of Shivaji Maharaj to Society".

Gandhian Studies Centre observed the death anniversary of Lokmanya Tilak and birth anniversary of Anna Bhau Sathe. The birth anniversaries of Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri were also celebrated.

The Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated International Women's Day. As an observance of the social responsibility towards society, the students of the Gandhian Studies Centre felicitated and appreciated the Women Staff of the Ahmednagar Traffic Control Office and Nursing staff and Women Administrative

Staff of Civil Hospital, Ahmednagar.

Gandhian Studies Centre organized the certificate course on 'Gandhi's Life, Principles and Thoughts' for the students of the college. 83 students from various faculties participated in this course.

A Peace Tree Plantation Programme was organized. Principal Dr. R. J. Barnabas planted a "Peace Tree" on the occasion of Nagasaki Day and prayed for World Peace. Gandhi Vichar Sansakar Pariksha 2017-18 was jointly organized by the Gandhian Studies Centre and the Gandhi Research Foundation, Jalgaon. 29 students from various faculties participated in this exam.

The occasion of the 128th Birth

Anniversary of Pandit Jawarlar Nehru was celebrated by the Centre.

A 'Sadbhavana Rally' was organized on 'Constitution Day'. The Centre focused on

increasing awareness about the Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Duties and Various Articles of the Constitution.

The centre observed Mahaparinirvan Din. On this occasion Dr. Sunil J. kavade Director, Gandhian Studies centre and Staff paid soulful tribute to Bharatratna Dr. B. R. Ambedkar.

Mr. Akshay Chaudhari and Mr. Balkrushna Kompale (TYBA) students of Gandhian Studies Centre participated in 14<sup>th</sup> State Level Camp on "To Know Gandhi" organized by Gandhian Studies Centre, JES's College, Jalna, from 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2018.







Convocation Ceremony 2018



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Vice-chancellor Visit



Vice-chancellor Visit



Rhapsody Prize Distribution Ceremony



Rhapsody Prize Distribution Ceremony



Christmas Celebration 2017



Christmas Celebration 2017



## GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

The department of Geography conducted the 22nd, 23rd, 29th and 30th Outreach Certificate Course which is organized by the Indian



Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), Government of India, Dehradun, on "UAV Remote Sensing and Applications", "Basic of Remote Sensing, Geographical Information System and Global Navigation Satellite System", "Hyperspectral Remote sensing and its Applications"

and "Geoinformatics for Forest Fire Management" respectively, during the academic year.

The department conducted a one day national workshop on "Popularization of Remote Sensing Based Maps and Geospatial Information" jointly organized by ISRS and ISRO on 11 August 2017. An intercollegiate Quiz Competition



was organized on Geography Day celebrated in Jan 2018.

## HINDI DAY CELEBRATION

Poetry reading and quiz competition was arranged on 18th and 25th September 2017. An essay competition was also organized by the Hindi dept.



## MICROBIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Bony Dasari from T.Y.B.Sc received an appreciation for his contribution to the website literature on tinytales.com in the form of poems and short text. Mr. Manik Deo from T.Y.B.Sc participated in the 57th state level drama competition in a full-length

drama, "Exit". He also participated in Sanskar Bharti's inaugural program where he gave a Bharatnatyam performance. His interview was held on 90.4 FM (Radio Nagar) on "Naatak aani Nrutya" on 16th October 2017.

## MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

The department conducted the National Level Madhava Mathematics Competition, organized by Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, T. I. F. R., Mumbai. 1642 students from 29 different Colleges of Ahmednagar district participated in the competition,



which was held on 7th January 2018.

The department organized a Mathematics Exhibition on 9th Feb. 2018 on Recreational Mathematics.

Mr. Shinde Abhijit Ashok of T.Y.B.Sc. and Mr. Wadekar Sushil Babasaheb of F.Y.B.Sc. students of Ahmednagar College, Ahmednagar stood first and second resp. in the Madhava Mathematics Competition from Ahmednagar region.

Mr. Shinde Akash, a student of T.Y.B.Sc. was selected for the Mathematical Training and Talent Search (MTTS) Programme which is conducted by the school of Mathematics and Statistics, University of Hyderabad.

## MARATHI DEPARTMENT

The Marathi Research Center organized a workshop, 'Prabhandhalekhan Karyashala' on 17.9.2017. Dr. Avinash Avalgaonkar and Dr. Sudhakar Shelar were the resource persons. 130 M.Phil. & Ph.D. students and 10 Research guides attended the workshop. 13.10.2017 was celebrated as 'Vaachan Prerna Din'.



## One Day State Level Training for Laboratory Staff

A one day state level training for laboratory staff was organized by the physics department on 13th January 2018. The chief guest for the session was Principal Dr.V.H. Raybagkar, Dr. Vivek Bobade was the guest speaker and Dr. G.Y. Rohokale was the resource person.





## Junior College

An **Essay and Poster Competition** was organized on 10th and 12th August 2017 to commemorate the Seventy Years of Educational Leadership of Ahmednagar College.

From the English medium Khan Kashaff Juned won the first prize, Bhargavi R. Barnabas won the second



prize and Madhur Kadam won the third prize. From the Marathi medium Rutuja Patole won the first prize, Utkarsha Gawade won the second prize and Pratidnya Kardile won the third prize. In the Poster Competition Khan Saniya F. won the first prize, Khan

## Launching of Solar Project

- 125 KW Solar Power Project Phase I launching in the presence of Management Board Members



Zaraak won the second prize, Munot Trishala won the third prize.

The College held **Ruth Bai Hiwale Elocution Competition** for the 17th year on 08 September. This was the first time the competition was held in English also.

The first group prize went to Ahmednagar College : Jyoti Rukwal and Vahbiz Damania, the second group prize went to Priyadarshani Junior College : Mahima Jaydev and Vaishanavi Bidwal.

The first individual prize went to Jyoti Rukwal.



## MoU with Satyam Tax Institute

MoU with Satyam Tax Institute Mumbai for Certified Course in GST Expert



## NSS

Prof. L.G.Ughade and Dr. Prakash Suryavanshi took the charge as Programme Officers for the academic year 2017-18.

The NSS students had taken up the election campaign in the college from 1 July 17 to 31 July 17.



*Sadbhawana Shapath, Samajik Ekya Shapath and Nadya Vachvinyasathi Shapath* was taken on 6th September 2017 on the college campus. An essay competition was organized for students on *Sadbhawana* and *Yuvak Vidhyarthi* on 6 September 17. An Elocution Competition was organized on the topic of 'Social Unity' and '*Bhartiya Sakshartechi Paristhiti*' on 16 September 17.

NSS *Vardhapan Din* was celebrated on 23 September 17.

A general awareness about blood donation and a street play for the same was taken up under the guidance of Mr. Sagar Unde of Jankalyan Raktpedhi, Ahmednagar on 23 September 17.

The NSS group of our college was selected at the Ahmednagar Zonal level '*Yuvak Mahotsav Chachni Shibir*' and they presented a street play '*Raktdaan - Jeevandaan*' was performed by the students from 9 to 14 Oct 2017 in various areas of the city. Kalyani Shinde, an NSS volunteer, secured the

second position in the elocution competition in '*Vidhyarthini Yuvak Mahotsav*' on 4 October 17 and was selected for the University level.

'*Vachan Prerna Din*' was observed on 13 October 17. Thirty students participated in reading activities on this day.

Special Camp was organized at Marnjarsumba from 14 December to 20



December 2017

NSS Volunteers of Ahmednagar College participated in the Pani Foundation's *Shramadan*, an initiative by famous actor and social activist Amir Khan, at Gardh Manjarsumba in May 2018 along with many other units from



all over the district. The famous Marathi actor and activist Girish Kulkarni guided and enlightened the students during this activity.



## POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Political Science and Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated 129th Birth Anniversary of Rev. Dr. B. P. Hivale Founder and First Principal of Ahmednagar College. Dr. Sunil J. Kavade Director, GSC, Staff and Students paid tribute to Rev. Dr. B. P. Hivale . On this occasion Dr. Sunil Kavade Director, GSC published a Brochure regarding the life of beloved Founder Rev. Dr. Bhaskar Pandurang Hivale. The students of Gandhian Studies Centre distributed the Brochure regarding the life of beloved Founder Rev. Dr. Bhaskar Pandurang Hivale.

Department of Political Science and Department of Geography jointly organized guest lecture for girls. Dr. Hema



Shelot (Yoga Teacher and Dietitian) was the chief guest for the programme. She discussed different problems of health and diet. Hon. Principal Dr. R.J. Barnabas felicitated Dr. Hema Shelot. This programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Sunil Kavade (Director, GSC) and Dr. Maya Unde (Head, Department of Geography).

Department of Political Science and Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated Birth Anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose.

Department of Political Science and Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated death anniversaries of V.D.Savarkar and Chandrashekhar Azad and also "*Marathi Rajbhasha Din*". On this occasion Dr.Sunil Kavade and Mr.Soham Deshmukh expressed their views.

The Department of Political Science observed '*Mahaparinirvan Din*'. Department of Political Science and Gandhian Studies Centre celebrated 127th Birth Anniversary of Bharatratna Dr. B. R. Ambedkar. The staff and students paid tribute to the great soul.

## PSYCHOLOGY EXHIBITION

Premraj Parate of TY BA won silver medal in Inter College Boxing Tournaments 2017 and qualified for Inter Zonal Boxing Tournaments. Avanti Hoshing got 4th position in open category Holographic Poetry Competition and participated in departmental Literature Festival held on 4-5 November 2017.

The department organized 'Psychology Exhibition' on 28 Feb. 2018



## NCC

- The Rank holders of this year are: Senior Under Officer (SUO) Manoj Bothe, Junior Under Officer (JUO) Shubham Pise, and Shweta Chauvan, all three have successfully attended last year's RDC-2017.
- Two cadets, Neelam Gaganmale (SW) and Shikha Shahid Nisar (SD) were selected for the Republic Day Camp (RDC) from 01 to 28 Jan., 2018, at Delhi.



- JUO Shweta Chauhan was selected for NCC Cadets Delegation visiting Bangladesh under the Youth Exchange Program during the period from 14th to 24th December, 2017; she is the only cadet from 17th MAH BN, Ahmednagar as well as from Aurangabad group of Maharashtra.
- This year the national level camps and Combined Annual Training Camps (CATC) were attended by the cadets at various places in India.
- SUO Kolapkar Prem qualified UPSC CDS- NCC Special Entry SSB-2016 and 17 and has been selected for OTA, IMA AFCAT (Air Force Common Admission Test) and joined IMA (Indian Military Academy), Dehradun (UK). He is under training at IMA (Indian Military Academy), Dehradun (UK)
- SUO Deshmukh Shirish has qualified

UPSC CDS - NCC Special Entry SSB-2017

- Guard of Honor was presented by our cadets to Col. Habber CO of 17th Mah



Bn, Ahmednagar on 14th June, 2017, Prof. (Dr.) Nitin R. Karmalkar Vice Chancellor, Savitribai Phule Pune University on 25th July during their visit to college and GC Br. B C Kalar and GC Br Jagdish Chandran group commander of Aurangabad.

- Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated by the NCC unit by organizing a Rally about awareness of tree plantation among the college students. 30 saplings were planted by the cadets on this occasion.





## NEWS FROM ZOOLOGY DEPARTMENT

S.Y.B.Sc. and T.Y.B.Sc. Zoology Study Tour was conducted during 29-31<sup>st</sup> January 2018. Visits were given to Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli and Apiculture Centre, Mahabaleshwar. 71 students participated in the said tour wherein the teachers Dr. Ivan Aranha, Dr. Avinash Vanjare and Dr. Rahul Gaikwad accompanied the students. A Study Tour of M.Sc. I and M.Sc. II Zoology students was conducted wherein the students underwent a 'Hands on Training Programme in Beekeeping' organised by Tanishq

Gramin Seva Kendra, Baghpeta at Balaji, Dist. Karoli & Dausa (Rajasthan) sponsored by National Bee Board (Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, New Delhi) during 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018 to 06<sup>th</sup> February 2018.



## NEWS FROM SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The staff of the department visited Ramkaran Sarda Boarding School, Ahmednagar, as a part of extension activity on 9 December 2017. The students of the Boarding School participated in the lectures and subsequent discussions.

The department organized an open poster exhibition on Child Abuse on 16th March, 2018



## REMEDIAL COACHING CLASSES

The Centre registered 80 students from various categories. Activities like lectures on various subjects including English Speaking Course, Course on Personality Development and Communication Skills, Competitive examinations, History, Sociology and Accountancy were conducted. The lectures were given by the faculty as well as the eminent scholars from various institutions.

Remedial Coaching Classes conducted a continuous lecture series of Competitive Examinations for the students of various

faculties. Prof. V.V. Nabde, Prof. Firoj Shaikh, Prof. Bhaskar Kasote delivered lectures in this lecture series. 46 students from various faculties participated in this activity.

Remedial Coaching Classes organized courses on 'Personality Development and Communications Skills' for the students. 36 students from various faculties participated in this activity. Prof. S. J. Kavade, Prof. Firoj Shaikh, delivered lectures in this lecture series.

## VISIT TO HISTORICAL MONUMENTS BY URDU DEPARTMENT

An educational visit was organized to Farya Baugh on 1 August 2017 and to the Tank Museum on 2 August 2017. A *Swatch Bharat Abhiyaan* was organized at the Tomb of Ahmed Nizam Shaha Bagroza Mahel on 3rd August 2017.



## WOMEN'S CELL

Women's Cell celebrated 187th Birth Anniversary of Savitribai Phule on 11th January 2018. Dr. Manda Wagh and Dr. Sunil Kavade delivered lectures on Kranti Joyti Savitribai Phule's struggle for Women's Rights. Short films on Savitribai Phule's life and work were screened for the students.

A talk for students was arranged on 22nd February, 2018 with Ms. Bhupali Nisal, Director of an NGO: Deepa Nisal Smruti Pratisthan, on "Struggle to achieve success in life".

A street play was presented by the students on the topic of Women's



Empowerment on 7th March 2018. International Women's Day was celebrated with a talk by Dr. Hema Selot on Women's Health and Naturopathy on 8 March 2018.

## NEWS FROM THEATER GROUP

The College Theater group participated in 'Natshresta Shahu Modak Karandak, Ahmednagar' held in Ahmednagar on 9 & 10 Sept. 2017. The group performed the drama 'Lagan', written and directed by Kuldeep Salve. The artists in the drama were Sneha Patel, Kshama Deshpande, Tejaswini Deshpande, Vaishanvi Bhakre, Pratik Pagare and Kuldeep Salve. In the technical section, lights and design was managed by Nikhil Bansode and music was given by Abhijeet Zagade. The prize "Sarvokrusht Vachik Abhinay Pratham"

was won by Kshama Deshpande and



"Sarvokrusht Abhinetri Pratham" was won by Sneha Patel.



R.C.D.A. Activities

- Basic computer training course was started at R.C.D.A. this year in



association with Poona Blind Men's Association Technical Training Institute (TTI) .

- Principal Dr. R.J. Barnabas gifted



the RCDA with a synthesizer to motivate and encourage the RCDA's students who were participating in the singing competition at TTI Pune

- The students of R.C.D.A. have achieved the following: Nanda Shelke has been appointed as a clerk in the Union Bank. Jyoti Tawale has been appointed as the supervisor of the Child Development Service of the Ahmednagar Zilla Parishad. Prasad More, a student of R.C.D.A. scored 86% marks in the 12th Board examination and stood second in the college.

- Sanjivani Karjule and Priyanka Nikalje were awarded laptops after



they passed the Basic Computer Examination held by Coimbatore Organization, Tamilnadu in 2017-18. Students of RCDA bagged the first prize in the Patriotic Song Competition organized by Rashtrabhasha Sabha, Pune in 2017-18.

- The Director of CSRD Dr. Suresh



Pathare along with student volunteers visited the RCDA, interacted with the students and also released the poster of the fortnight.

- This year onwards the Principal Dr. R.J. Barnabas has initiated a new tradition to celebrate the birthdays of each student of the RCDA on behalf of the college.



- The birth anniversary of the inventor of the Braille Script, Louis



Braille was celebrated at the RCDA and the fortnightly poster was released on the occasion at the hands of Mr. A.Y. Balid, Registrar.

- Dr. N.M. Aston, Chairman of BPHE Society's Management Council, Mr. Vishal Barnabas, Member of



Management visited the RCDA on the occasion of the release of the fortnightly poster.

NEWS FROM STATISTICS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Sanket Patekar, Statistician at Novartis Hyderabad and Mrs Meenakshi Patekar, Team Leader at CYTEL Hyderabad delivered a guest lecture on the topic "Job Opportunities in Statistics" on 2nd September 2017 for our students.



- Vice Chancellor, SPPU Prof.(Dr.) Nitin Karmalkar paid a special visit to the RCDA during his visit to the College for the Seventy years of educational leadership celebrations.
- The last fortnightly poster of the academic year was released by Dr. Swati R. Barnabas, Librarian, IMS. She also conducted a casual interactive session on the health care of the differently-abled with the students along with refreshments and also celebrated the birthday of a student. She also assessed the facilities available at the center.

