

Department of Geography (2015-16)

The department of Geography regularly organizes the various activities, programs related to the syllabus. All the teachers use ICT for the easy and effective learning in different classes for various topics. Following are the activities conducted by the department in year 2015-2016.

- With an ice breaking session through geographical games, introduction session was organized for TYBA Geography students. This session helps to clear the basic concepts in Geography and create interest in the subject among the students. Total 66 students taken Geography as major subject in TYBA. in the academic year 2015-16.

Results:

- Once again the glory of result achieved by the department. Out of 50 students appeared for TYBA- Semester VI examination in March 2015, 6 are awarded by O Grade, 16 students got A grade, 13 students with B grade, 7 with C grade.
- Ms. Rujuta Govande with 83.37% stood first in the College. Mr. Shriram Mandal stood second with 82.10%.

Guest Lecture and Workshop:

- A one day workshop on “Time Management and Goal Setting” was conducted for TYBA students in association with the Counseling Cell, Joshi Bedekar College.
- Asst. Prof. Shivaji Naik delivered a guest lecture for TYBA Politics students, to guide them on “Regional Profile of Maharashtra”

Screening of Documentaries: following are the documentaries screened in the TYBA geography students. These documentaries are related to the topics related to the syllabus.

- The British Empire in Color: Chapter-India.
- A documentary on Real AVATAR MINE-Story on Sacred Mountain was shown on 11th December 2014.

Research Projects:

As a part of the syllabus in the subject of Research Methodology, The students of TYBA have prepared the research project in various socio, economic and environmental issues. The teachers of the department helped and guided the students in the preparation of the research projects. Following is the list of project titles.

- Rice Farming-Case study on Khardi
- Formation of SOIL Its Horizon n Properties.

- विकासात्मक प्रकल्पांचा भिवंडी तालुक्यातील भूमी उपयोजनावर झालेला परिणाम :हायवे दिवा आणि गुंदवली चा घटना अभ्यास.
- फ्लेमिंगो पक्षी : शिवडी येथील घटना अभ्यास.
- येउर येथील आदिवासी जीवनशैलीचा अभ्यास.
- घोडबंदर रस्त्यावरील शहरीकरण.
- ठाणे -नेरूळ ट्रान्स--- हार्बर रेल्वे रूळाजवळील शेतीचा अभ्यास.
- सुधागड -पाली क्षेत्रातील पर्यटन क्षेत्राचा आढावा.

Parents Meeting:

Every year the Department conducts parents-teachers meeting to fill up the communication gap. This year also the parents' meeting was conducted on 8th August 2015. The dialogue between the parents and teachers helps improve the learning environment of the students. The problems and queries of the parents are addressed in the meeting.

Field Visits, Surveys, Treks:

- Following Field visit organized to collect primary data for the research project for the students in the months of July and August 2015.
 - ✓ Neral Matheran.
 - ✓ Highway diva-Bhiwandi taluka.
 - ✓ Sudhagad pali, District Raigad.
 - ✓ Mumbra devi.
 - ✓ Flamingo habitat Shiwree mudflats., Mumbai.
 - ✓ Navi Mumbai Trans-harbor railway line area.
- On 5th July 2015, a trek was organized to Vikatgad, Neral in collaboration with Nature Club.
- TYBA students have conducted Socio-Economic survey of Alimghar village, Bhiwandi Taluka on 15th September 2015. The students surveyed 150 houses of the village through questionnaire and observation technique. The students prepared the report of the same.
- A field visit to Patta fort in Kalsubai Range, Akole taluka Ahmednagar(the highest terrain region in Maharashtra) was organized for TYBA Geography students by the department on 1st February 2016. The main objective of this visit is to show them the different landforms, wind mills, tribal agriculture and lifestyle.
- On 8th February 2016, 6 students visited Padagha-Lonad the site of Hariyali NGO as a part of group project. Where students observed and collected the information of Joint

programme of forest management of Hariyali and Forest Department. The successful implementation of water and soil conservation methods also observed by the students.

- On 9th February 2016, another group of 9 students along with teachers visited Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Museum (former the Prince of Wales Museum) in Mumbai, where exhibition gallery of Natural History Society appreciated by the students. They also visited Kala Ghoda Arts Festival.
- On 12th February 2016, 10 students visited Ranichi Baug to attend flowers,vegetables and plants exhibition organised by Bruhamumbai Mahanagarpalika . Students also visited Bhau Daji Lad exhibition centre.
- On 16th February 2016, 15 students visited Paryavaran Dakshata Mnadal . Mammoli , Murbad Centre as part of field visit to widened the knowledge of plant identification and bio-compost making process.
- On 20th February 2016, 14 students visited to Exhibition of flowers and plants organized by organized by Navi Mahanagar Palika at Nerul.

Celebration of Geography :

This year geography day was celebrated on 14th January 2016 in a different way. TYBA students visited the Ayurvedic Garden in the campus. They were informed about the different Ayurvedic plants and their uses Students also presented information on various native plants in the classroom. Further the students were divided into four groups. They played geographical games to clear the basic concepts of Geography, especially regional geography.

Seminars/Workshops:

The teachers in the department are actively involved the field of research. Following is the list of the research paper presented and published in various seminars and conferences.

Asst. Prof. Mrs Archana R. Doifode

- Presented a paper on “Rural Tourism and Conservation of Biodiversity” at 2 days National Level Interdisciplinary Conference On Tourism, Natural Resources and Biodiversity , at Arts and Commerce College, Phondaghat; published in Konkan Geographers ISSN2277- 4858, Vol.12, Sept 2015.

Asst. Prof. Shivaji Naik

- Research paper entitled “Catastrophic Theme: Emergence, Development and Issues in Indian Cinema. Presented at National Conference organized by Joshi-Bedekar College, Thane on 9th and 10th January 2016.
- Presented a research paper entitled “Indigenous Agriculture: Development Narratives and Issues- A Case Study of Bitika Village in Akole in Kalsubai Hill Range.” Sponsored by

BCUD , Pune University- two day national conference organized by MSG College, Malegao Camp,Nashik on 29th and 30th January 2016.

Asst. Prof. Vineetha Nair

- Presented a paper on “Responsible Tourism – a case study of Kumarakom in Kerala” at 2 days National Level Interdisciplinary Conference On Tourism, Natural Resources and Biodiversity , at Arts and Commerce College, Phondaghat; published in Konkan Geographers ISSN2277- 4858, Vol.12, Sept 2015.
- Presented a paper on “India-Russia Economic Relations” at International Seminar at Russian Centre for Science and Culture on 20th January 2016.

Students Achievements:

TYBA students actively participated in many group and individual events in college festival Navrang. Department students also participated in Youth festival 2016 organized by Mumbai Univeristy.

Other:

The teachers of the department are continuously involved in the performance improvement of the students. The extra lectures, Remedial coaching, personal guidance helps to improve the result of the department every time.

Head of the Department

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