

# HORIZON



MES'S PILLAI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND RESEARCH, CHEMBUR NAKA, MUMBAI – 400071.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### Happy New Year 2021

New Year rings in new hope, aspirations, relations, and expectations. With the darkest time that we experienced in year 2020, this year 2021 enlightens us and we look forward to a bright future ahead with **HOPE**.



**H – Heart warming** : open your arms to the new

year with love, compassion, humility such that the world around you becomes a better place for all.

**O – Open minded** : Be open to suggestions, opinions, views and thoughts, this will provide a better opportunity to know and learn.

**P – Patient and Persistent** : Life is not a button that can be just clicked and transformed, we need to regularly follow it and patient for the ultimate deliverance.

**E – Empathetic** : Be considerate to others and have a feeling of oneness and unity this will breed harmony in our society.

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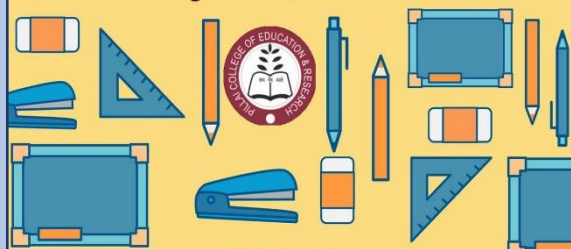
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## EDITOR'S DESK

'We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day' - Edith L Pierce.

As we begin another year, it is the time for new beginnings in many aspects. The B.Ed. first-year new batch has just started out on their academic journey. Though the pandemic still limits us in many ways yet it need not stop us from achieving or learning new things. Let us endeavour to make use of all the opportunities that life offers us to make ourselves into better human beings.

MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur



wishes everyone

## Happy New Year 2021

*'Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.'*  
Anthony J. D'Angelos

## *Highlights of the month*



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- **Students Corner**



# ACHIEVEMENTS

## LOCKDOWN ACHIEVEMENTS

PCER Chembur began the new year with a look-back to the various programmes initiated and completed during the lockdown period. As rightly said, the lockdown was NOT a period of slowdown at PCER Chembur. We look forward to a bright and happening 2021!



## MES's Pillai College of Education & Research, Chembur

believes in imparting quality education in spite of Covid-19 Pandemic



## Lockdown was not a period of Slowdown at PCER, Chembur

### OUR IMPACTFUL MILESTONES FROM MARCH, 2020 TO DECEMBER, 2020

14 Student  
Enrichment  
Sessions

4 Community  
Outreach  
Programmes

32 Live YouTube  
Sessions

4 National Level  
Short Term  
Courses

9 Online  
Quizzes

8 Alumni  
Enrichment  
Programmes

Initiated PCER  
Chembur's  
e- LMS

Launched  
The PCER  
Digital Library

14 Webinars/  
Conferences/  
Colloquiums/  
Faculty Development  
Program

45 Coursera  
Courses  
Completed by  
Team PCER

5 Books  
authored  
by Team PCER



# Positive Vibes



Dear Sir/ Madam

My family is looking out for an alliance and asking me to get married. Advise me on arriving at the right decision.

Hi

Marriage is one of the most important decisions in everyone's lives. Marriage is an institution in which not only two individuals but also two families come together. As you are approaching marriage few things you need to keep in mind:

1. Be very realistic and practical about marriage
2. Ideal/ perfect partner is only a myth.
3. Love should be the base of this relationship
4. Adjustment is the mantra which keeps the relationship going smoothly.
5. Effective Communication between the partners is very essential.

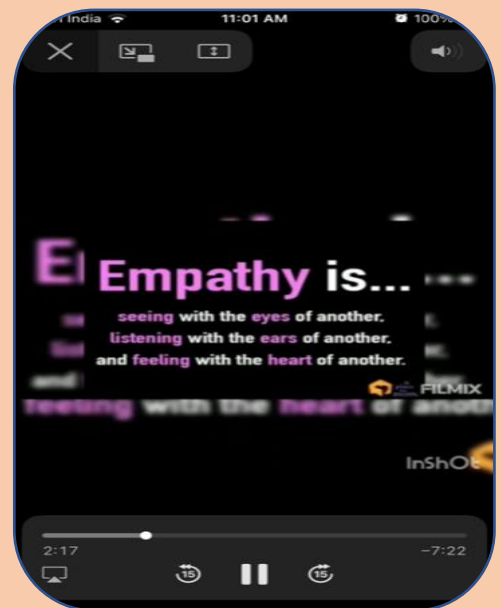
It's quite natural to have confusion in marriage decisions especially for choosing the partner in an arranged marriage.

You should have a very good interaction with the person to get a detailed understanding about the philosophy and the life approaches of the person. One needs to understand the likes and dislikes of the person and also the aspirations of the person. Do not focus on mere external beauty, but look out for qualities that you would like to see in your partner.



## ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS

The assembly for the month of January focused on Spiritualism. Some of the values highlighted during the assembly activities were Self-Awareness, Tolerance, Empathy, Mindfulness etc. Due to the University exams in December the special assembly for Christmas And New Year were conducted in January. The students presented a variety of activities during the wonderful and meaningful virtual programme. The assembly also conveyed the meaning and messages associated with the festivals of Makar Sankranti, Pongal and Lohri. The students celebrated the Republic Day through the online mode and paid homage to the sacrifices of our freedom fighters.



## PRACTICE TEACHING

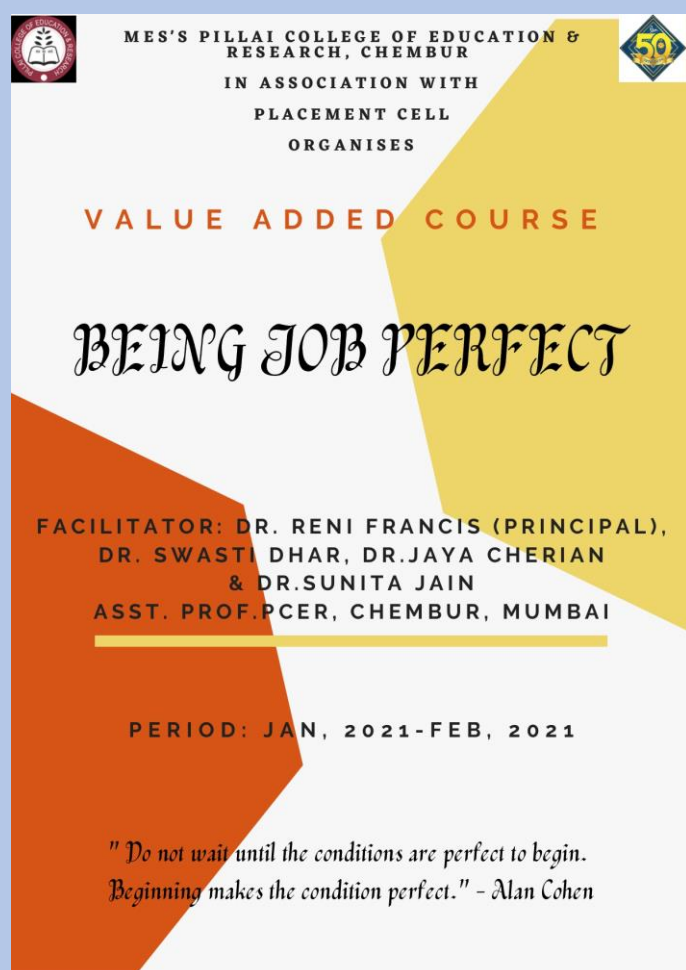
Student teachers were oriented to the Internship for Semester 4. It consists of 4 weeks of internship and 1 week of community work. Students needed to develop their learning resources and conduct action research as part of their activities. They also needed to take 5 lessons of their second pedagogy and 5 co-teaching lessons with peers. Among the 5 co-teaching lessons with peers, 2 were to be taken as Nai Talim Lessons. Student teachers were also given detailed explanations of how to write reflective journals that would help them to record the internship activities.



# ADD-ON COURSE – BEING JOB PERFECT

MES's PCER, Chembur in association with Placement Cell organised an Add on Course on the topic 'Being Job Perfect' from January, 2021- February, 2021. The course was in sync with SDG # 4: Quality Education. The course consisted of 30 hours and was divided into four modules:

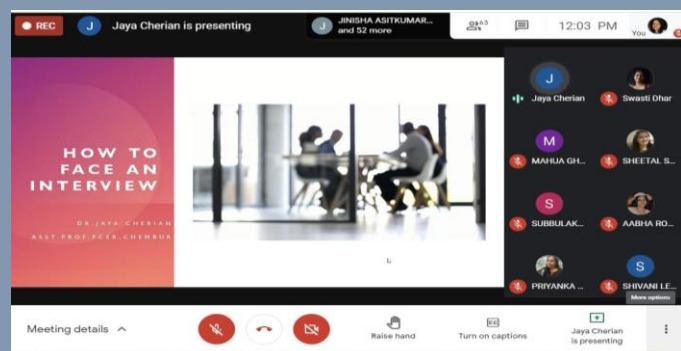
- 1) SWOT Analysis
- 2) Grooming Session
- 3) Resume Writing
- 4) How to face an interview



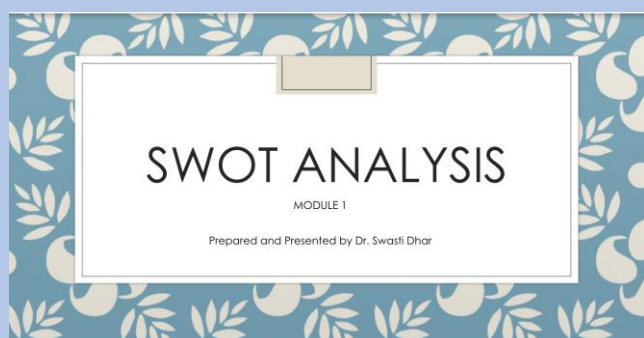
**SWOT Analysis** - The best way to succeed in life is to know oneself well. One should be very versed with one's strengths and weaknesses along with what are the opportunities one can utilise as well as any threats which one should beware of. This knowledge is a big advantage in one's professional life and is the foundation of preparation for one's career.

**Grooming sessions** dealt with personal grooming, body language and professional etiquette. It is the process of making yourself look neat and presentable. Grooming is important for a positive self-image and to encourage and maintain a pleasing and attractive appearance.

**Resume Writing** focused on familiarizing the students on the various formats in which a student can write one's curriculum vitae and write corresponding cover letters. It was emphasized that the purpose of a Resume is to ensure that the institution contacts the participant with an interview call. So, a resume is an opportunity for the one to present oneself in the best possible light so as to ensure a best fit for the school or college applied to.

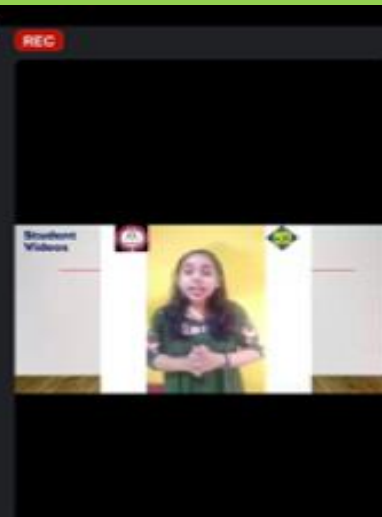
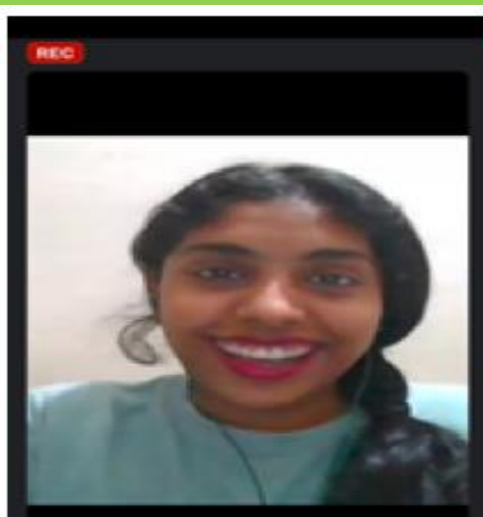
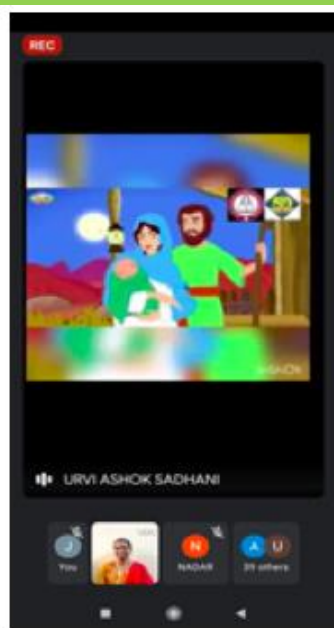


**How to Face an Interview** session focused on the various aspects that are part of a job interview. It oriented the students regarding the things to be kept in mind during the pre-interview stage, the day of the interview and post-interview. In the pre-interview stage the candidate should focus on personal aspects such as health, hygiene, grooming etc and mental aspects such as strengthening content knowledge, updating current affairs knowledge, etc. On the day of the interview the candidate should be mindful of the following –being punctual, confident, courteous and positive, carrying necessary documents etc. Post-interview it is desirable for the candidate to mail a thank you to the organization and reiterate their interest in the job.



## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PROGRAMME BY STUDENTS' COUNCIL

PCER organized an online special assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021, via google meet from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm for Christmas and New Year Celebrations. The programme was conducted by the student council. The meeting was hosted by Ms.Daisya and Ms.Subbulakshmi who conducted the entire programme with a lot of ease and enthusiasm. The programme commenced with a prayer by Ms. Disha invoking the Almighty for hope and stronger faith. The spirit of Christmas was brought forth beautifully through the singing of Christmas carols by Ms. Sherry, Ms. Sherin, Ms. Charmine, Ms.Sidra, Ms. Ayesha and Ms. Darshini. The story of the birth of Jesus Christ was presented by Ms. Juliet through an animated video that reminded everyone of the message of hope, love, and faith. This was followed by a video presentation of PCER students which reflected a lot of positivity and motivation as they shared their experiences, learnings from the past year and new resolutions for the new year. There was also a video compilation encompassing all the milestones of PCER in the past year that reminded everyone of the accomplishments achieved by the institution even during difficult times. Principal, Dr. Reni Francis, in addressing the students gave the message of RENEW that alluded to the elements of the digital world that has become a strong part of our lives during this pandemic time. She encouraged everyone to refresh and try new things, edit and delete negativity from our lives and to have a better perspective of the worldwide wonderful things that are there around us. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by the Student Council GS Ms. Sherry who expressed gratitude to the Management, Principal, Faculty and all those who contributed in making the programme a success.



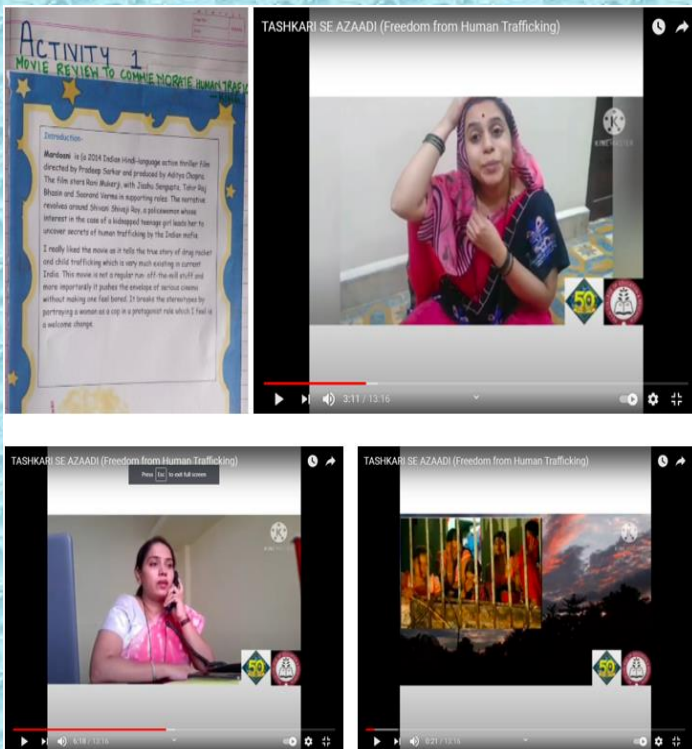


## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS

PCER, Chembur students put their hands together to raise awareness against human trafficking. Each student watched a movie on human trafficking and wrote a review on the same. This helped the students to get a better insight of the background, ways and how humans are being tortured by the humans only.

This was also followed by releasing a short movie enacted by our student teachers. 'Tashkari se Azaadi... Freedom from Human Trafficking' is a short movie created by MES's PCER, Chembur on 11th January, 2021 to sensitize \*Human Trafficking\*. The objective is to spread awareness on violation of Human Right and also coincide with SDG # 10- Reduced Inequalities.

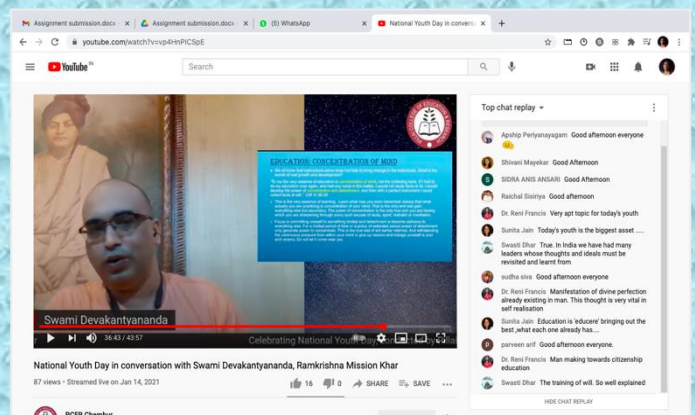
Watch the video on [https://youtu.be/lzRm4wS\\_UJs](https://youtu.be/lzRm4wS_UJs)




## NATIONAL YOUTH DAY 2021

The quiz was created via Google Form in order to assess the knowledge of the students of Chembur English High School (CEHS) and the teacher-trainees of PCER, Chembur. Questions were asked from the life of Swami Vivekananda and the participants were also provided with fun-facts from Swamiji's life.

To impart more knowledge about the relevance of Swami Vivekananda to the youth of the nation, PCER Chembur was fortunate to be in conversation with **Swami Devakantyananda** from Ramakrishna Mission, Mumbai who spoke to us about **Swami Vivekananda's philosophy on Education, Teachers and Youth**. This conversation took place on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January, 2021 and was streamed live over PCER, Chembur's Youtube channel.






MES's Pillai College of Education & Research, Chembur  
celebrates

# National Youth Day 2021

(12th of January, 2021)


In conversation with  
**Swami Devakantyananda**  
Ramakrishna Mission - Khar, Mumbai



Swami Vivekananda  
1863-1902



**Swami Vivekananda's philosophy regarding  
Education, Teachers and Youth**

Thursday, 14th January, 2021 2 pm - 3 pm

 PCER Chembur's YouTube Channel

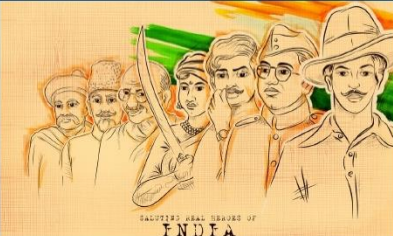


# REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

 **MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur** 

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**Slogan Writing Competition "Saluting Real Heroes of India"**




SALUTING REAL HEROES OF INDIA

- Slogan should be original.
- Slogan can be written in English / Hindi / Marathi language
- Slogan should be related to the Theme
- Last day for submission of Slogan is 26th January, 2021.
- Winners will receive an e-certificate.

<https://forms.gle/kNxx4DxubyZRn6iS7>

PCER Chembur commemorated the 72nd Republic Day through an online assembly programme. Through a variety of activities, the students remembered and paid homage to the national freedom fighters, leaders and soldiers whose sacrifices gave us our Republic. In order to honor the achievements of our national heroes, two online competitions were conducted - an Essay writing competition and a Slogan writing competition. The theme of the Essay writing competition was 'Teacher's Role in Nation Building' and the Slogan writing competition was on - 'Saluting Real Heroes of India'.

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**Online Essay Competition**

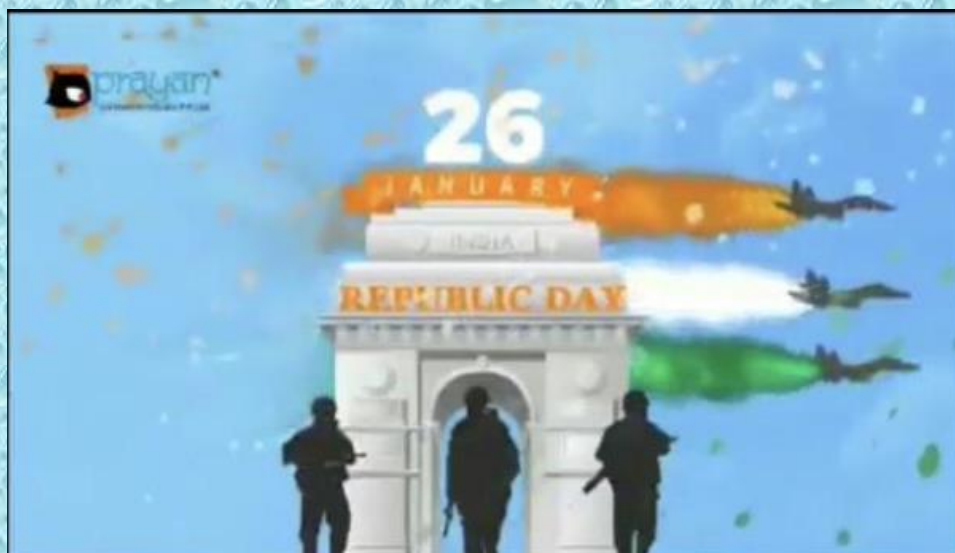
**Theme: Teacher's Role in Nation building**

Rules:

- The essay shall consist of 250-300 words.
- The essay should be original.
- The essay should be written in English language
- Criteria for assessing - Content, Clarity, Structure, Relevance to the Theme
- Last day for submission of Essay is 26th January, 2021.
- Winners will receive an e-certificate.

**Submit your essay**

<https://forms.gle/EPpw112E55Wp2cTp7>







This month we showcase a sketch made by our S.Y student  
**Ms. Aabha Bagaitkar.**

