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HORIZON

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



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Teachers as Changemakers in the 21st Century

Today, in the 21st century, we have come a long way off from the understanding of education as was during Vedic times. The ethos, rubrics and the tools have changed as have the purveyors of education. In the Vedic times the guru-shishya gurukul system ruled the roost and a respectful guru-dakshina was the reward of the guru's labor; whereas today money is the central motivation of educating, getting educated and facilitating education.

Even compared to the late 20th century, the 21st century role of teachers has undergone a profound transformation. Advances in technology, shifts in educational philosophy, and the evolving needs of the learners have all contributed to this change. The NEP 2020 and NPST (National Professional Standards for Teachers) highlight on the need to arouse among the teachers to be passionate, motivated, professionally trained and well equipped, this aligns aptly with the need to recognise the unique abilities of the child and respect for diversity in the local context. We need to analyze the right blend of teaching and learning by identifying the aspects that are needed to envision teachers as changemakers in relation to NEP 2020 and NPST (2021) in bringing about a change from the traditional mindset to an evolving arena of education towards long term and sustainable nation-building.

We need to work towards in re-inventing yourself towards a better tomorrow as a change maker in the society.

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EDITORIAL



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Diwali is not just an external celebration but also an opportunity for inner reflection. It is considered as a time to conquer our inner demons and illuminate our own lives with positive virtues.

The lighting of diyas represents the illumination of one's inner self, driving out ignorance and negativity, and ushering in wisdom and positivity.

While the specific rituals and customs may vary across different regions and communities, the underlying theme of Diwali revolves around positive values, spirituality, and the celebration of light and goodness.

14th November marked the celebration of Children's Day in India to honour and highlight the importance of children in the society. This day is significant for its emphasis on the rights, well-being and potential of children and it plays a crucial role in promoting a society that values and prioritizes the needs of its youngest members.

The message of Children's Day revolves around creating a world where every child is valued, protected and given the opportunity to thrive, learn and enjoy a happy and fulfilling childhood.

Constitution Day is officially celebrated on 26th November each year, marking the day the Constitution was formally adopted by the Constituent Assembly in 1949. It is observed to honour the historic moment when the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution.

Constitution Day is a significant occasion in India celebrating the adoption of the Constitution and emphasizing the importance of constitutional principles in shaping the nations governance and values. This day serves as a call to action for the common man to be informed, engaged and actively involved in the democratic and social fabric of the nation. It promotes a sense of responsibility, awareness and commitment to the values and principles that define the Indian Constitution.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS



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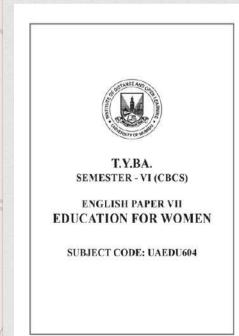
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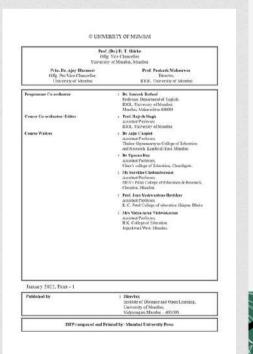
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On 9th November, PCER Chembur embraced the spirit of Diwali with vibrant celebrations that illuminated the campus. The festivities commenced with a burst of colours and lights, as students, faculty and staff came together to mark this auspicious occasion. The campus was adorned with stunning decorations, shimmering diyas and intricate rangoli designs. The air was filled with joyous laughter. Cultural performances added fervour to the event showcasing the rich heritage and diversity of the festival. The celebration fostered a sense of unity and camaraderie among everyone present encapsulating the essence of Diwali - a festival of light, togetherness.



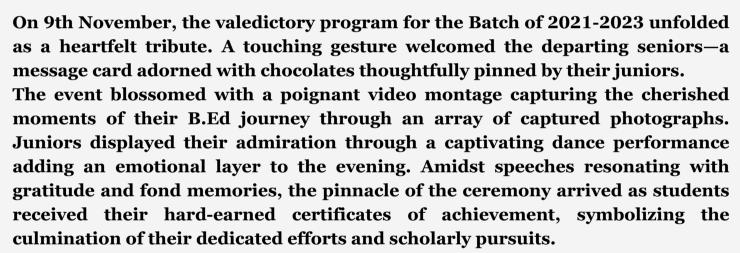






VALEDICTORY PROGRAMME 2021-2023









JOB PERFECT HOW TO FACE AN INTERVIEW

PCER's placement cell initiated the valued added course Job Perfect in November with the objective of preparing student teachers for the placement process. As part of the course a session on How to Face an Interview was conducted by Dr. Jaya Cherian on 30th November for second year students.

During the session, the students were oriented by the fact that an interview is a tool for assessing whether a candidate is right for the job as well as for the organization. It is essential that one should be well prepared for facing an interview. The session highlighted the aspects to be considered by focusing on the different stages of an interview. The student-teachers were oriented regarding few likely questions that are usually asked during interviews and how to answer these questions. The session concluded with a discussion on the queries raised by the students regarding interviews and likely questions.





JOB PERFECT PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT

MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur conducted the valued added course Job Perfect on personality development on 1st December. The entire workshop was well organized and hosted by Ms. Laxmi Nair. The workshop began with an ice breaking activity and then through a power point presentation the meaning of personality development was discussed. The teacher-students were told that it is a lifelong process that involves the development and enhancement of various traits, behaviours, attitudes and skills that contribute to an individual's overall character and effectiveness in personal and professional settings. The key elements of personality development were explained which meant continuous self-reflection and commitment to personal growth significantly contributing to a well-rounded and developed personality.







STUDENT CORNER







Whispers of the Soul

You ain't the one I long for, but you bring me peace and joy;

You ain't the one I dream of, but you soothe my restless soul;

You ain't the one I'm searching for, but you're a beautiful part of my world;

You may not be the one, but you're a gift from nature that I cherish.

Mahalaxmi Samuthiram
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