



**Mahatma Education Society's
Pillai College of Education and Research**

Chembur
NAAC 'A' Grade

'Sustainable Goals...Sustainable Future'



HORIZON

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dr. Reni Francis

Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.

- Aristotle

At PCER, Chembur we aim in nurturing the mind, body and soul with education that lasts for life. Various activities that are done in classroom and out of classroom highlights the effectiveness in bringing about a refined oneself. Teachers need to be geared to face the dynamic society with courage and confidence. We at PCER, Chembur leave no stone unturned in this. October marks the celebration of Joy of Giving and other national festivities. Students are made to realize the importance of sharing to the larger community, an act of kindness is done in our institution of Fistful of Grains, wherein we collect food grains and distribute to the needy. This message is important not only with respect to food but with an intent of sharing, we live in a materialistic world, the list of wants and needs have become lopsided, hence to be judicious in our way of life, we need to be careful in using our resources and aim towards maximizing the benefits to the society. PCER Chembur always marches ahead in the motto service to all and with it comes the need to enforce SDGs 2030- we focus on Sustainable Goals... Sustainable Future.

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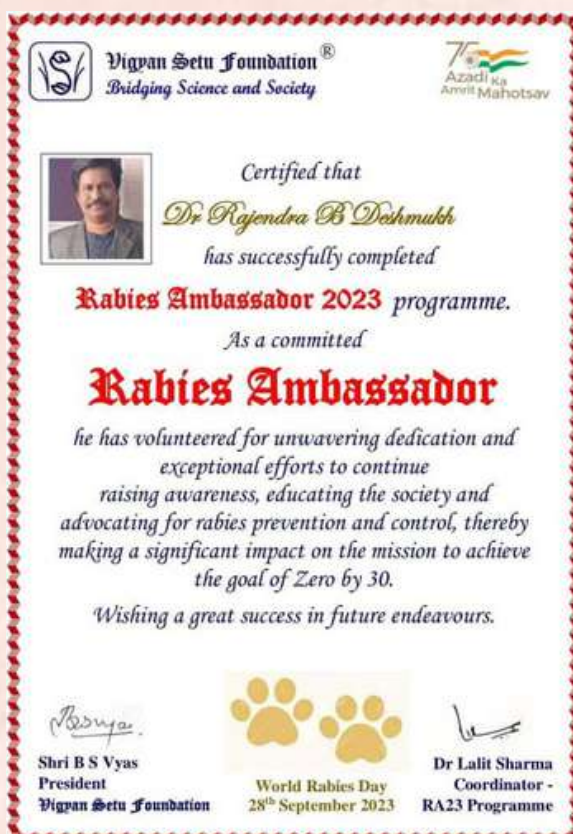
October was a month of growth and learning for the students at PCER. As the academic year was into high gear, students achieved a lot in academics, and also showed their skills in various activities.

Students at PCER were creative, thoughtful, and showed leadership qualities during the internship in their practice teaching schools, also in community work, and participated in conferences and workshops organized by PCER.

Lectures, discussions, and collaborative projects challenged students to think beyond the usual. PCER emphasized the importance of diverse perspectives in education through conferences and workshops organized in this month. In addition to academic pursuits, October was a time for festive events and insightful activities. The month also featured cultural celebrations like the celebration of Navratri festival. Events like a Jumble sale and book donation drive were held to support this idea.

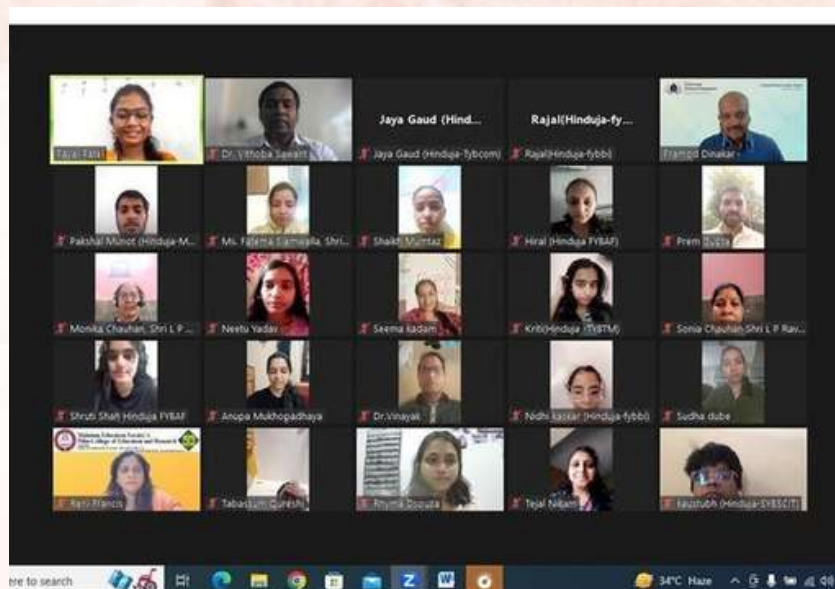
PCER, as a community that values inclusivity and diversity, conducted many events in the month of October to reflect on creating an environment that embraces differences and makes everyone feel included. Thus, PCER aims to prepare students for a diverse and interconnected world by creating a conducive learning environment to encourage exploration through various activities conducted by the college.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS



Dr. Rajendra Deshmukh has been recognized as a dedicated Rabies Ambassador by completing the 2023 Rabies Ambassador Program under the Vigyan Setu Foundation.

All the faculty members of PCER Chembur participated in a state-level webinar on NEP 2020 and Higher Education, specifically focusing on Teacher Education, organized by the Department of Life Long Learning and Extension (DLLE) at the University of Mumbai in partnership with MES's Pillai College of Education and Research's IQAC.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



Ranjani Padaiyachi, a student from S.Y. B.Ed. College at MES's Pillai College of Education and Research in Chembur, took an impressive initiative in active citizenship. She noticed a significant amount of garbage piled up near Wadala station, causing an unpleasant smell and an eyesore for passersby. After participating in the second Catalyse workshop on Leading Change Initiatives on August 8, 2023, Ranjani took the lead. She lodged complaints with the authorities and after a few days, she observed that the BMC had stopped using this area for collecting domestic waste. Two months later, Ranjani was pleasantly surprised to see a plant nursery with colorful flowers in the same spot.



On October 31st, Gynel Fernandes, currently pursuing S.Y.B.Ed, achieved the second position in the intra-collegiate essay writing competition hosted by St. Teresa's Institute of Education.

WORKSHOP ON CHALLENGES FACED IN A CLASSROOM BY THE TEACHER

MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur conducted a workshop on Challenges faced in a classroom by the Teacher on 5 th October 2023. The entire workshop was well organized and hosted by Ms Laxmi Nair. The workshop began with an ice breaking activity, discussing various challenges faced by the teachers in their classroom which disrupted effective learning. Ms. Laxmi spoke about using various techniques for the holistic development of the learners. The present day teacher's aim should be to prepare global citizens by instilling the right kind of life skills in their learners.



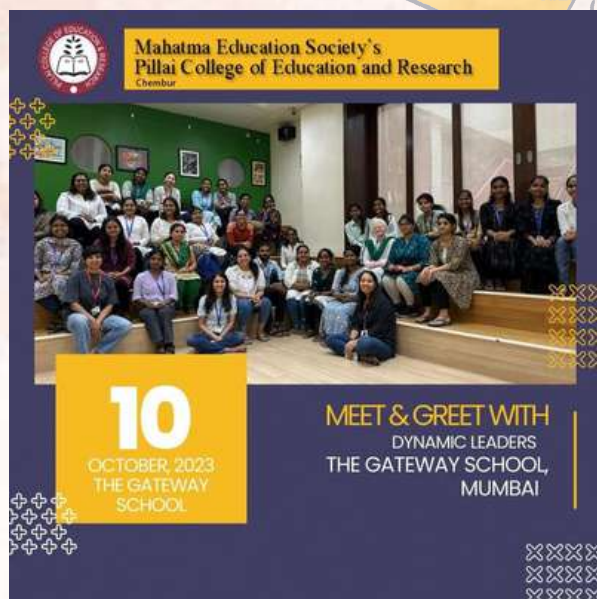
WORKSHOP ON KEY ELEMENTS TO MAKE AN INTERESTING LESSON PLAN

MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur conducted a workshop on Key Elements to make an interesting lesson plan on 9th October 2023. Key elements of Bloom's Taxonomy were emphasized during the workshop. The goal of the workshop was to highlight that a lesson plan should incorporate trending topics and draw links with students' interests to make the subject matter educational as well as exciting. Teachers should create a framework for their lessons in advance and include creative activities to retain students attention. Mrs. Laxmi Nair served as the knowledgeable resource person for the workshop, guiding participants through these essential pedagogical insights.

MEET AND GREET WITH SCHOOL LEADERS

INSPIRE

The second Meet & Greet event for the Micro Credentials in Education: Leadership Management program unfolded on October 5th, 2023, at The Green Acres Academy in Chembur. As part of this enriching experience, students from PCER had the valuable opportunity to personally engage with and learn from distinguished figures in the field, namely Mr. Siamack and Ms. Radhika Zahedi. The event served as a platform for meaningful interactions, providing insights into leadership and management in the educational realm.



On October 10th, the third Meet and Greet for the Micro Credentials in Education: Leader Management Program occurred at Mumbai's Gateway School, focusing on special education. Dynamic leaders shared insights, fostering valuable discussions and networking. Attendees left inspired, equipped with fresh perspectives for enhancing their roles in specialized educational leadership.

These meet & greets not only allowed students to connect with experts but also encouraged the cultivation of a broader perspective on the challenges and opportunities within the realm of educational leadership and management.

MOTIVATE

REFERENCE ON "SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION: LOCAL AND GLOBAL PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES."

On October 10th, PCER, Chembur, in collaboration with Nirmala Memorial Foundation College of Education, Kandivali, conducted a National Level Online conference on the theme "Sustainable Education: Local and Global Progress and Challenges." The event deeply appreciated the collaborative support extended by Dr. Reni Francis Principal of PCER, Dr. Nitisha Jha, the In-charge Principal of NMFCE, and the coordinators, Dr. Vithoba Sawant and Dr. Rupali Raut, from both institutions. Dr. Sunil Rajpurkar served as the esteemed resource person for the conference. The objectives included exploring the nuances of sustainable education, examining its local and global advancements, and deliberating the challenges within the realm of educational sustainability. The webinar aimed to foster insightful discussions, share best practices, and devise strategies for promoting sustainable education on both local and global scales.



NAI TALIM WEEK

PCER Chembur's Nai Talim week was dedicated to instilling Gandhi Jayanti's values in the youth. Activities like elocutions, essay writing, and paper bag making were complemented by integrating Gandhi's teachings into the curriculum. These efforts went beyond surface-level engagement, including dialogues on his philosophy, social outreach, environmental advocacy, and the promotion of inclusivity. The objective was to not only honor Gandhi Jayanti but also empower students to embody his principles and drive positive change in society.



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY- STREET PLAY

On October 10th, MES's Pillai College of Education and Research, Chembur, in collaboration with the Sorooptimist Welfare Association (SIBC), organized a Street Play titled "How are you? Are you ok?" was held at three locations in Chembur - Chembur station, Ambedkar garden, and Chembur naka. The aim was to create awareness about mental health on World Mental Health Day 2023 through a powerful and engaging street performance, breaking stigma, encouraging dialogue, and promoting community support for mental well-being.



WEBINAR ON NEP 2020 & HIGHER EDUCATION

Commemorating the influential legacy of the revered Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam on World Students Day, PCER Chembur joined hands with the Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (DLLE) at the University of Mumbai to organize a State Level Webinar. Focusing on the theme of NEP 2020 and Higher Education, with a special spotlight on Teacher Education, this event aimed to honor Dr. Kalam's dedication to education by delving into the transformative facets of the National Education Policy 2020. Dr. Pramod Dinakar served as the esteemed resource person for the webinar.





FISTFUL OF GRAINS

On the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, PCER Chembur in collaboration with Soroptimist Welfare Association (SIBC) organised the project "Fistful of Grains" on October 17th. This initiative aimed to address the pressing issue of poverty by distributing essential food grains to those in need. The project garnered significant support, resulting in the collection and distribution of 60 kg of rice, 65 kg of sugar, and 45 kg of mixed dal. The impact was widespread, reaching over 100 deserving families who benefited from this generous contribution. The collaboration between PCER Chembur and SIBC showcases empathy and collective action in battling poverty and supporting vulnerable communities.



SOROPTIMIST WELFARE ASSOCIATION (SIBC)
in collaboration with
MES's PILLAI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & RESEARCH, CHEMBUR



Organises

"Fistful of Grains"

on
17th October, 2023.



Join us to contribute and distribute the items like Tur Dal, Moong Dal, Masoor Dal, Sugar and Rice to the needy. Distribution will be done at 10.00 am @ Chembur Signal, Eastern Express Highway.

Together, we can create a world where everyone has enough to eat...



BOOK DONATION TO SPARSH



As part of Daan Utsav (2-8th October), PCER Chembur orchestrated a collection drive for books and stationery, channeling these educational essentials towards a noble cause. On the 19th of October, these contributions were generously donated to the NGO Sparsh - care for humanity, aiming to benefit students in need. This act not only signifies the spirit of giving during Daan Utsav but also emphasizes the importance of education in empowering the underprivileged. The collaboration between PCER Chembur and Sparsha echoes a commitment to nurturing young minds and fostering a brighter future through accessible education. This initiative stands as a meaningful contribution towards bridging educational disparities and promoting compassion within society.



ALUMNI ENRICHMENT SESSION ON YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



On the 19th of October, the Pillai College of Education and Research in Chembur hosted an alumni enrichment session centered around youth leadership and the pursuit of sustainable development goals. The session was led by Ms. Bhakti Sawant, an alumna from the batch of 2020-2022. This event coincided with the celebration of Student's Day, providing an opportunity for current students to engage with an accomplished former student and delve into vital topics concerning leadership and global sustainability.

NAVRATRI ASSEMBLY

Our college celebrated Navratri on October 21st at the Multi-purpose Hall, adorned with vibrant decorations and a Grey/Purple dress code. The event featured speeches, poems, and music highlighting Navratri's significance, fostering cultural unity. The lighting of the diya by Principal Reni Ma'am and faculty members inaugurated the festivities, leading to lively Garba and dance performances that symbolized community unity and cultural richness, making it a memorable and unifying experience for all attendees.



FRESHERS' DAY

On 28th of October the Freshers' Day was organized for the B.Ed batch 2023-2025 at PCER Chembur. It was a vibrant celebration showcasing the talents and enthusiasm of the second-year students. The event, held with great fervor, featured an array of engaging programs and activities. The second-year batch orchestrated a series of cultural performances, interactive sessions, and games, creating an atmosphere brimming with excitement and camaraderie. Their meticulous planning and dedication made the day memorable, fostering a sense of belonging and warmth among the newcomers, setting the tone for an inclusive and spirited academic journey ahead.



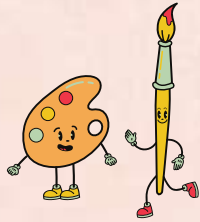


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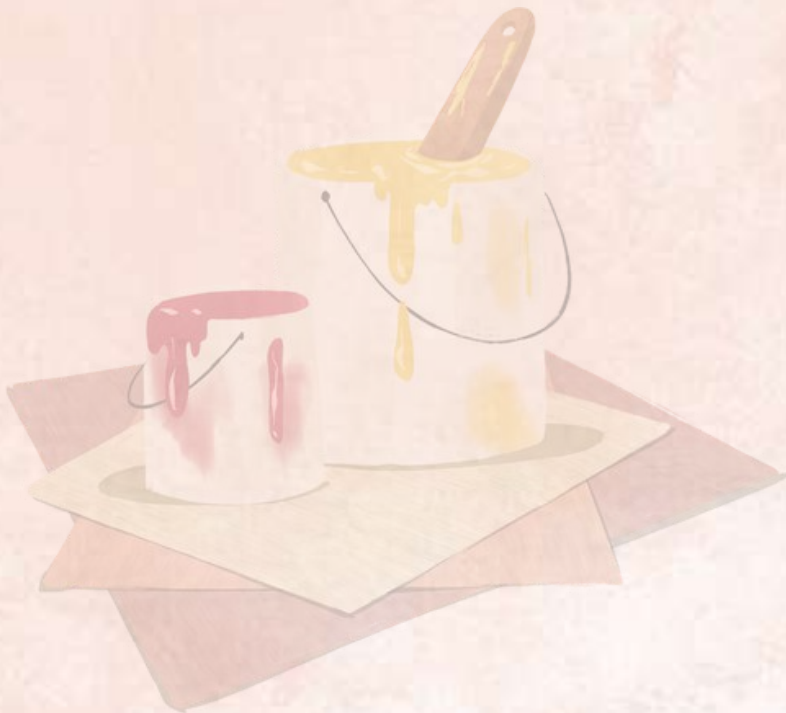


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