

## **Girls Empowerment Cell**

### **AY 2023-2024**

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Students Representatives: Asama Shaikh, Khushi Mohite.

The activities conducted during this academic year aimed to celebrate and support girls today. Additionally, participants benefited from improved communication skills and enhanced self-confidence through public relations was one of the aspects of the activity. These activities turned out well, effectively achieving their goal of promoting the upcoming life of girls, fostering a sense of empowerment among participants.

#### **1] Webinar:**

"Pathway to Research": Chief Guest of the webinar was Miss. Manjusha Wadekar, delivered the lecture on 18th and 20th September 2023. The Girls Empowerment Cell successfully organized a two-days webinar titled "Pathway to Research".

This event aimed to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the research-process. Our guest Miss. Manjusha Wadekar, played a pivotal role in guiding students through various aspects of research. Madam introduced a series of exercises designed to provide practical-experience and hands-on learning for the students. These exercises covered various aspects of research, including formulating research questions, selecting methodologies, considering ethical implications, data analysis, and effective communication of findings. The event served as a platform to encourage young minds to engage in research for positive social change, ultimately contributing to a more inclusive and empowered society.

#### **2] Research Projects:**

This is a group activity. The topics had allotted for research all groups. Topics based on subjects like commerce and technology have been chosen. Current changes in society and human life are highlighted. This thorough knowledge helps students to solve the problems of everyday life as well as in their studies. Further the project will be submitted through power-point presentation and Viva, printed copy of the entire project. It is to be thought about developing articles out of the studies prepared for the same. These topics are as follows:

1. Business management - different forms of organizational structure
2. Banking- information of banks
3. Economic- report on working of corporate department
4. Law- review on the website of MCA1. Analyses of Classical, Neo-classical and Keynesian consumption function.
5. Analyses of Classical, Keynesian and Neo-classical Investment function.
6. Analyze the Classical, Keynesian, and Neo-classical theory of unemployment. Prove the trade-off between unemployment and Inflation in Indian context.
7. Analyze the growth rate of Indian economy since 1991.
8. Collect the data for CPI and WPI basket and analyze the inflation trends.
9. Critically evaluate the effects of inflation on the agriculture market.
10. Critically study the effects of inflation on the Service sector.
11. Critically examine the effects of inflation on the manufacturing sector.
12. Study of trends of unemployment rate in the Indian economy.

13. Types of unemployment and its applicability in Indian economy.

14. A Study of various schools of thought in Macro Economics.

### **3] Workshop on Self Defense Training:**

The workshop Organized On 16th December 2023. The Chief Guest of the program was Mr. Sachin Baikar. 150 students participated in the workshop, where 145 girls and 5 boys were present. Mr. Sachin Baikar and his team from Mumbai demonstrated different techniques of self-defense. Most interesting method adopted was to make students to do practical for each technique.

Everyone must have learnt many things. The guest emphasized the importance of the police department. Police department is very alert to women severity of bad incidences supporting women always, they will reach immediately on the required spot. Guest had taught techniques to save oneself those who trapped under the threat of criminals. All senior professors were blessed with the program. Principal sir presence had graced event. It was a successful event due to initiate by Nirmale ma'am and Sheetal ma'am.

### **4] Workshop on Skill Development:**

Workshop Organized On 19th December 2023, Chief Guest was Prof. Saily Talodhikar. The enthusiastic participation from girls and boys had across all divisions. She is a distinguished corporate trainer, communication specialist, and HR mentor, graced the event as the esteemed chief guest.

Dr. R. P. Kuchekar, the principal, extended a warm welcome and shared enlightening thoughts. Prof. Talodhikar captivated the audience by sharing her rich experience in conducting training sessions in various corporate sectors, including an inspiring video featuring a young girl navigating challenges at sea.

She delved into the significance of understanding 'ikigai,' a Japanese concept symbolizing life's purpose. Chief Guest underscored the belief that everyone possesses a unique 'ikigai,' emphasizing that any desired goal can be attained. Additionally, she elucidated the Six Sigma rules through the lens of Kaizen.

The workshop progressed with Prof. Talodhikar distributing thought-provoking questions aimed at fostering self-awareness. Encouraging active participation, she prompted attendees to share and discuss their responses, using engaging games to overcome initial shyness. By the session's conclusion, a remarkable transformation was evident. Every participant actively engaged in various activities.

The workshop culminated as a resounding success. Each student is equipped with newfound skills. They acquired a sense of empowerment reflected in the impactful training imparted throughout the session.

### **5] Orientation on Counselling Session:**

We organized the 23rd of January 2024, by recognizing the importance of its student well-being and has provided counselling service to support students not only through their academic lives but also their social lives. Our guest, Mrs. Shruti Tekawade ma'am, is a trained professional Counsellor and therapist with specialization in clinical psychology. She was welcomed and felicitated by the Principal Dr. Kuchekar and Dr. Suneeta Nirmale.

She emphasized on what counselling is, what are the mental health problems of undergraduate students, and how counsellor can help. It was an interactive session. She has been helping the

students with day-to-day problems. She was ready to foster students' well-being and success throughout their college experience.

### **6] Sisterhood Celebration:**

Activity organized by the Girls Empowerment Cell on February 15, 2024; an engaging activity called the "Sisterhood Celebration" at BMCC near Mother Tree. This activity aimed to promote our upcoming Women's Day Program and received an enthusiastic response from the students at BMCC, who showed great interest in the activities organized by GEC. Under the guidance and support of Asma Shaikh, Khushi Mohite and Ayura Gaikwad Girls Empowerment Cell spearheaded this initiative.

The Sisterhood Celebration featured various activities such as free face painting, henna (mehndi), and a Mysterious Feelings Box. Initially led by GEC members, the activity attracted increasing participation from students, including boys. Participants chose a wide range of designs for face painting, including pandas, butterflies, dogs, trishul, feathers, and various doodles, showcasing their creativity and enthusiasm. Some friends even created group tattoos symbolizing their unity. Notably, the girls invested genuine effort in their paintings to match their chosen references. As the activity progressed, several teachers also joined in, adding to the fun, and showing appreciation for the girls' dedication.

The highlight of the activity was the Mysterious Feelings Box, which provided a platform for participants to express their daily struggles and unspoken fears. This unique activity fostered a sense of comfort and empowerment, enabling individuals to articulate their challenges openly.

### **7] Cultural program:**

Women's Day Celebration:

The cell organized programs on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2024, like One-Act-Play, dance, songs, drawing of rangoli self-written poems, poster making etc. specified women strength and on partiality of the girls in Indian families. This is an evaluation-based activity. Judges of the program were Dr. Shilpi Lokare BBA dept. BMCC, Pune and Prof. Balakrushna Hajare B. Com. Section BMCC, Pune.

The presence of Principal Dr. R. P. Kuchekar and Former Principal & Vice-Principal Dr. Jagdeesh Lanjekar have motivated us. The very kind support of vice principal Dr. Ashish Puranik elevated vitality of all programs. Prof. Bharati Upadhye, Prof. Dr. Rajshree Gokhale, Prof. Dr. Varsha Deshpande increased intensity of all the programs.



## Department of English

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**Students Representatives:** The competitions were organized with the assistance of Mr. Asif Mujawar, Miss. Sneha Bodake, Aditi Khude, Shriram Bhong, Dipti Midge, Sojwal Mandalik and Khushi Mohite, Kartik Kokate, Gitanjali Chole.

### **1] Story Telling and Recitation of Poem Competition:**

In the month of August 2023, students from all colleges of Deccan Education Society Pune campus were invited and participated in this competition. This is observed that students were very enthusiastic, eager to participate in creativity-based competition. Specifically creative students had a golden opportunity to present themselves. Young poets and authors also participated and recited their poems. The judges of competition were Mrs. Awanti Lohakarey, past student BMCC and eminent personality who is popular author and storyteller on social media. Another person was Dr. Savita Kelkar, Prabandhak DES, Pune, retired professor in German from FCP, Pune. We are

fortunate enough to have these scholarly people to Judge the competition. This competition was conducted online, through the videos which were collected by E. Mail. The results are as follow:  
Story Telling:

The single student participant produced a great sense of achievement to us.

1.Siddhi Oak, BMCC student of SY BBA, BMCC. - First Prize

Recitation of Poem:

The following students participated in this competition.

2.Samruddhi Pawar from SY BBA IB, BMCC. recited Self-written Poem, “Gourav Bharat Varshacha”- First Prize

3.Sanyogita Yogesh Kulkarni, SY B. com., BMCC- First Prize (Divided)

4.Muskan Jaiswal recited the poem “Mera Nam Sipahi Hai!”, SYBA Psychology, Fergusson College - First Prize (Divided)

5.Manikdas Hirwani, Poem by Dr Hariom Pawar

6.Sarthak Bhanudas Raut recited the poem, “Ayushya Khup Sundar Ahe”, SY B.COM., BMCC.

7.Asif Mujawar recited the poem, “Kasa Jagayach!”, FY B. Com. BMCC.

8.Aditi Kude, FY B. Com. BMCC.

9.Sneha Choudhari recited the poem, “Path to Success”. TY B. Com. BMCC.

10.Imroz Khan Sajjad Ahemad Khan recited the poem, “Hanraaz, Waqt”.

## **2] Guest Lecture:**

The guest lecture was organized on 21st September 2023, Dr. Kiran Mangain, Associate Professor Dept. of English, Cultural Studies Christ university. Bangalore. She spoke on “Value of Literature”.

She highlighted the importance and value of literature. She spoke on the meaning and interpretation of literature. She added literature reflected through experience of human beings, cultural preservation, empathy and understanding, inspiration, social commentary. The session was enriched by many examples of novels written by eminent novelists and Historical overview of playwrights. She added further the advanced forms of literature like graffiti, graphic novels, audio books libraries, podcasts.

In assistance with Professor Dr. Ranjana Gujrati and Miss Khushi Uttam Mohite this activity worked smoothly.

## **3] Guest Lecture:**

The activity organized on 14th October 2023, the eminent Guest of the program was Former Principal Dr. Harishchandra Nirmale Deccan Education Society's, Willingdon College Sangli, author, poet, philosopher and educationist. He delivered the lecture on “**Sahitya Ani Samaj**”. He has mentioned that these two aspects of human life are interdependent. These are equally important to nurture individual regarding social etiquettes, manners, ethics etc. Sir has exemplified this subject with Marathi Literature and Indian mythology, Vedic literature etc.

## **4] Elocution Competition:**

The eminent Judges of the program were Former Principal Dr. Harishchandra Nirmale DES, WCS, author, poet, philosopher and educationist and Prof. CA Smruti Patwardhan professor of Auditing and Taxation, Co-Ordinator BCom Honors, Program, BMCC, Pune as a singer and educationist.

The topics have been chosen to emphasize the current scenario of happening and change in society. Each year department of English has been organizing this competition to enhance the capacity,

capability of communication skill of the students. Also, it inculcates the stage daring capability to the students.

Student spoke on First topic, “G-20 Summit in India 2023”, they delivered following points, History and establishment of G-20 group of countries, current scenario of G-20 meetings, Detail discussion about the first G-20 meeting held in India, diversity of Bharat Mandapam, Agendas and Priorities of G-20 Meeting, outcomes of G-20 Meeting.

The second topic was “Significance of Communication in Marketing”, students overviewed importance of communication, different ways of communicating with the customers, innocuous techniques of communication.

Third, students explained about “My Favorite Author”, had discussion on authors in Marathi literature, like V.S Khandekar and about novel ‘Yayati’, themes of the novel, Morals, important lessons of life we get from this example. A few students talked on popular author G. N. Dandekar and explained theme, vivid description of the Sahyadri Range in Maharashtra.

Fourth topic was “Youth Habituate with bad habits” students explained about many types, ways and methods of reducing bad habits, solutions to overcome, recommendation of Books like ‘Atomic Habits’

Fifth topic was “Unity is Strength” Expansion of the term unity is strength is expressed by the students also various examples like bunch of sticks, various references from the Mahabharata, recitation of Shlokas and Events from the Mahabharata. The session enhanced & enriched the knowledge of audiences.

Winners of Speech competition in English language are Annaya Mallick (first prize), second prize was divided in between Neha Pandit & Yash Udawant, third prize was divided in between Khushi Mohite & Jatin Hegde, Consolation prize was awarded to Roshan Pathak & Yuga Bhore.

Winners of Speech competition in Marathi Language are Sneha Choudhari (first prize), Payal Gilda (second prize), Prathmesh Chavan (third prize).

### **5] Remedial Coaching:**

This year the students enrolled in FY BCom class have enrolled and many of them belong to rural backgrounds. Through this activity department of English is trying to build courage to cope up in new environment, strength of understanding, to teach how to face and assimilate with the metropolitan culture in Pune city. Students’ general knowledge is developed through these meetings. Along with motivating sessions, revision lectures have been conducted based on few topics from the syllabus, English Literature and Communication Skills.

The presence of Principal Dr. R. P. Kuchekar, Former Principal & Vice-Principal Dr. Jagdeesh Lanjekar has motivated and encouraged Dr Nirmale.

On 14th October 2023 Department of English organized Elocution Competition. On this auspicious occasion, Dr. Suneeta H. Nirmale received felicitation, and the award was given to her as a token of appreciation, a silver pen. Which happened in the presence of Chief Guests Former Principal DES, WCS Dr. Harishchandra Nirmale and Smruti Patwardhan, Prof. BMCC.

Prof. Dr. Nirmale has been conducting "Remedial Coaching", each year, an extra activity for FYBCom students. The award was given to her by the students, who were organizers, their names are Mr. Asif Mujawar, Sneha Bodake, Aditi Khude, Shriram Bhong, Dipti Midge, Sojwal Mandalik and Khushi Mohite, Kartik Kokate, Gitanjali Chole. I, Dr. Nirmale, being professor in BMCC owe to these students and express many thanks. They had provided kind and sincere support. Their

decision has bestowed on us the sense of duty & authenticity, parental responsibility that we realized once again.

#### **6] Essay Competition:**

On 15th February 2024 an Essay Competition was organized through Department of English Brihan Maharashtra College of Commerce. Respected Principal Dr. R. P. Kuchekar Sir, Dr. Suneeta Nirmale expressed blessings for the competition. Prof. Sayali Kulkarni guided and supported the competition. There were around sixteen participants. Five topics were given for Essay like "E-Commerce from the Buyer's Perspective", "E-Commerce from Seller's Perspective", "Benefits challenge and challenges of e-commerce", "Need a product or service to sell", "Technical support department to assist customer with products". All these topics were given for making aware the merits and demerits of E-commerce and realizing the Modern inventions in this sector. E-commerce (electronic commerce) is the exchange of goods and services and the transmission of funds and data through the internet and to acknowledged with facilities of technology and digital platforms, including websites, mobile apps, and social media to enhance the trading. With the Participants highlighted the importance of essay competitions as it is valuable platform for nurturing talent, fostering critical thinking, promoting academic excellence.

#### **7] Writing an article:**

Articles developed on themes of essay competition; the ideas are elaborated in articles to give scope to the students to secure their place by writing an article in the international magazine. Also, girls in Girls Empowerment Cell had submitted articles in the field of commerce. Like last year this year the book will be published.

Always the presence of Principal Dr. R. P. Kuchekar, Former Principal & Vice-Principal Dr. Jagdeesh Lanjekar have been motivating and encouraging us. The very attentive presence of vice principal Dr. Ashish Puranik, elevated grandeur to the occasion, Prof. Bharati Upadhye, Prof. Dr. Rajshree Gokhale, Prof. Dr. Varsha Deshpande increased intensity all the programs. Prof Vijay Darekar has shared his kind support in management.