

Department of English
Annual Report: 2022-23

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The following activities were conducted by Department of English during the academic session 2022-23.

i) Induction Programme

Entrance in the institution of Higher Education is transition for the Junior College students. When new students enter an institution, they come with diverse thoughts, backgrounds and preparations. They come into a new unfamiliar environment, and many of them have little knowledge of a university/college. An important task, therefore, is to welcome new students to Higher Education and prepare them for their new role. By keeping in mind this view, the Induction Programme at college level was organized in the last week of August 2022. The students who took admission in B. Sc., B. Com. and B. A. first year were engaged in the activities separately during the week. The students of first year of all the three faculties were introduced to the Department of English. Dr. S. I. Jukkalkar, in his PPT presentation in the Department introduced the English language oriented activities conducted in the Department. The students were introduced to Language Learning Software and the Certificate Course conducted by the Department every year. Interested students can join the course. Students were also acquainted with the syllabus of English of first year and the CBCS pattern introduced by SGB Amravati University from this year. The students were instructed to plan their study so that they can achieve the expected level English Language Proficiency.

ii) Avishkar 2022: It is the initiative of State Government of Maharashtra to engage the students belonging to universities of Maharashtra to think critically to find out solutions for social problems. The New Education Policy 2020 gives primary importance to research. To promote research aptitude Avishkar is organized every year. This year two students viz. Snehal Haridas Sasane and Bhavana Sanjay Tunlait from B. A. First Year participated in Avishkar competition at District Level organized by Avishkar Cell, SGB Amravati University at Pakaj Laddhad Institute of Technology and Management Studies. These two students stood 2nd in the category Half at UG.

They got chance to represent at the University. Title of Poster Presentation was “Reading Skill”. The students presented the importance of reading skill and its types.

iii) Certificate Course: Certificate Course in Communication And Soft Skill Development was organized by the Department from 9th February to 12th April 2023. The duration of the course was 45 days/Hours.

The objectives of the Course are:

- i) To create awareness among students regarding importance of Communication Skill & Soft Skill Development.
- ii) To teach and demonstrate different aspects of Communication & Soft Skill
- iii) To take students participation in the activities
- iv) To prepare students for jobs in public and private sector by developing their communication and soft skills.

The major topics taught and demonstrated are:

- 1) Nature and Scope of Communication
- 2) Pronunciation (Phonetics) and Conversation
- 3) Soft Skills

iv) Whats App Group “Learn English”: The Whats App Group Learn English is created to introduce students On Line Resources of English. Students gave good response to this group. Around 350 students joined the group. Lessons from BBC and other online resources and You Tube Lectures were posted on the group.

v) Research Centre in English : The Department is also working as Research Centre in English. In this academic year two scholars viz. Sachin pralhad More and Jyoti Ashokrao Khedekar are admitted to course work.

v) NAAC Peer Team Visit: This year the college faced NAAC Peer Team Visit and acquired 3.00 CGPA. On 22nd of February the team visited college. One of the Members of the Peer team Dr. Rajkumar Kothari visited the Department and observed all the files, language laboratory and discussed about the activities of the Department. He has shown his satisfaction over the student oriented work of the Department.

vi) Research Contribution: One Research Paper of Dr. S. I. Jukkalkar is published in Shivaji Interdisciplinary Research Journal titled *“History of the Nation and the Community in the Select Novels Bapsi Sidhwa.”* He is also one of the members of Editorial Board of the journal. He is also working as subject Expert at the research centres in English of G. S. College Kahmgaon and SPM College, Chikhli.

vii) The Head of the Department Dr. S. I. Jukkalkar works at the following committess:

- 1) One of the IQAC Members and In Charge of Criterion IV
- 2) Staff Council Secretary
- 3) Chief Editor of College Magazine
- 4) Coordinator of Ph. D. Cell for SGB Amravati University
- 5) Course Coordinator of Certificate Course in Communication And Soft Skill Development