7.1.10 Institution celebrates / organizes national and international commemorative days, events and festivals

Describe the efforts of the Institution in celebrating /organizing national and international commemorative days, events and festivals during the year within 200 words

Fostering National and Cultural Integrity: Celebrations at the Institution

The institution actively celebrates national festivals and the birth and death anniversaries of great Indian personalities to instill a sense of national pride and cultural integrity among students. These events serve as a platform to honor the contributions of leaders who spearheaded social reforms and development in the country.

The College Cultural Committee organizes these celebrations following guidelines set by the General Administration Department. The portraits of revered personalities are prominently displayed in the college office premises during such events. Faculty, non-teaching staff, student representatives, NSS volunteers, and the principal collectively pay tribute to these heroes by garlanding their portraits and reflecting on their achievements.

Celebration of National Festivals

- Independence Day and Republic Day: These occasions are celebrated with great enthusiasm. The events include flag hoisting, cultural programs, and speeches by the principal and staff to commemorate India's journey towards freedom and democracy.
- **Kamgar Din/Maharashtra Day**: The institution observes these days to recognize the contributions of laborers and celebrate Maharashtra's formation.
- Constitution Day: Activities on this day highlight the importance of the Indian Constitution, instilling constitutional values among students.
- International Yoga Day: The event focuses on physical and mental well-being through yoga sessions and awareness drives.

Birth and Death Anniversaries of National Heroes

To pay tribute to the extraordinary contributions of national icons, the institution celebrates the following occasions:

1. **Mahatma Gandhi**: Birth and death anniversaries to honor his leadership in India's freedom struggle and non-violence movement.

- 2. **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**: Birth and death anniversaries to recognize his role in framing the Indian Constitution and championing social justice.
- 3. **Swami Vivekananda**: Birth anniversary (National Youth Day) to inspire students with his ideas on youth empowerment and spirituality.
- 4. **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam**: Birth anniversary (*Vachan Prerana Din*) to encourage students towards the power of reading and knowledge.
- 5. **Masaheb Jijau**: Birth anniversary in remembrance of her role as the guiding force behind Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.
- 6. **Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj**: Birth anniversary to celebrate his vision, valor, and governance.
- 7. **Savitribai Phule**: Birth anniversary to honor her trailblazing contributions to women's education and social upliftment.
- 8. **Founder Secretary Suresh Kulkarni**: Death anniversary to reflect on his vision and contributions to the institution's growth.

Through these events, the institution fosters a deep understanding of India's diverse cultural heritage and the transformative leadership of its icons, inspiring students to uphold their values in building a better future.

Ca. Su. Pa. Kulkarni Smruti Din (Memorial Day)

On December 22, 2023, a memorial event for the founder of our teacher-run educational institution, Mr. Suresh Pandurang Kulkarni, was held in the seminar hall from 10:00 to 10:30 AM. The college principal, Dr. Kishori Bhagat, offered floral tributes to Mr. Kulkarni's portrait and conducted a prayer ceremony. On this occasion, a brief introduction of Mr. Kulkarni was shared by the cultural department. The memorial event was jointly organized at Nurbag Hall in Swami Vivekanand Vidyamandir. All teachers and non-teaching staff of the college participated in the event.

Krantisurya Mahatma Jyotiba Phule and Bharat Ratna Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Joint Birth Anniversary Celebration

A joint celebration of the birth anniversaries of Krantisurya Mahatma Jyotiba Phule and Bharat Ratna Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar was held on April 15, 2024, from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the seminar hall of the college. The event was chaired by the college principal, Dr. Kishori Bhagat. She highlighted the lives and work of these two great leaders and paid tribute to them. Dr.

Bhagat emphasized the importance of spreading their thoughts, especially their work for the upliftment of Dalits, Tribals, and women, among today's students. Professors Dr. Kailas Joshi (Head of Marathi Department), Dr. B. B. Chavan (Head of History Department), Dr. Jayshree Kawthekar (Head of Accountancy Department), and Dr. Kailas Joshi (Head of Physics Department) also shared their views on the occasion. The entire event was organized by the cultural department, led by Dr. Kirankumar Kawthekar. The program was conducted by Professor Kamalkishore Tode, Head of the Economics Department.



