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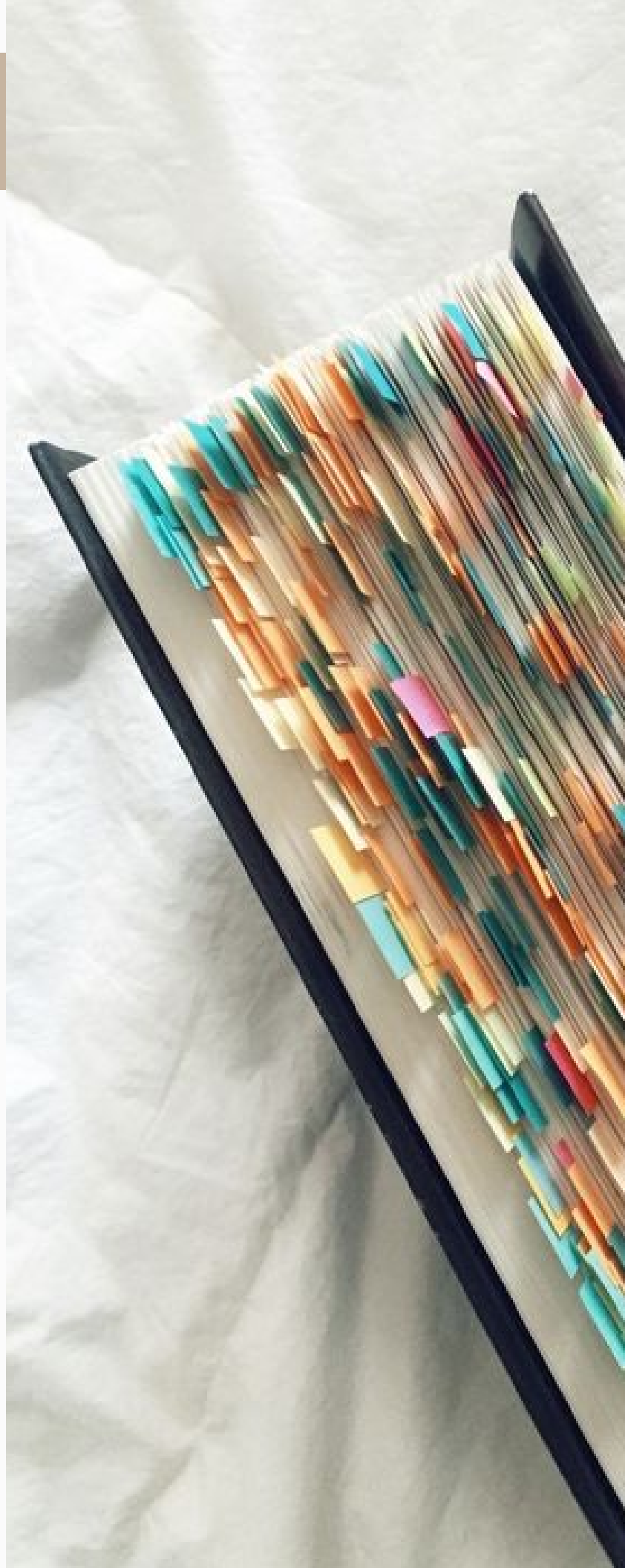
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ENIGMA'22

The cultural fest of R.A Podar College of Commerce and Economics was back this year with its theme Archaios. Hosted on 23rd and 24th September extraordinary talents were showcased on the stage, Judges with their experienced insights, an EDM night by H12, Bollywood Night with Smokey and Dhyan and a live performance by Yohani, made this year's enigma a grand success. The 1st podium was bagged by Mithibai College. The fest was sponsored by Capacit'e Infraprojects and Co sponsored by Sao Foods.



JOURNEY FROM IDEATION TO EXECUTION

The Entrepreneur Development Cell conducted a series of seminars to spread knowledge on various areas of marketing and financial markets.

Through the course of this insightful seminar, "Market research & ideation" by CA. Hari Prakash Pandey, students learned to conduct market research and how to gather and analyze relevant data to make informed decisions about their business idea. Hari Prakash sir spoke about analyzing market conditions by evaluating the current state of the market, including trends and competition, to identify potential opportunities and challenges and he also spoke about finding gaps in the market before designing your product

Dr. Sanjay Katira's seminar, "Establishing a Legal and Financial Framework," provided insights into the various business structures, including sole proprietorship, partnership, and corporation, as well as the legal requirements for starting, such as registration, permits, and licences. Sanjay Katira Sir discussed the tax and accounting regulations that firms must comply with and gave advice on tax planning and obtaining secure sources of funding like grants, loans, and equity financing.

During the third seminar of the series, Dr. Krishna Jaiswal discussed "Risk analysis and Insurance planning," where students were taught to recognize potential health risks and their financial consequences. Furthermore, he assisted the students in assessing and selecting the appropriate health insurance policy with the suitable coverage and deductibles.

JOURNEY FROM IDEATION TO EXECUTION

Mr. Karan Shah (Founder and CEO of IIIDE) concluded the series with a seminar on “Establishing a Digital presence”, where students learned how to choose the most apt social media platforms for promoting their business. Karan Shah sir instructed them on how to use analytics to monitor and analyse the performance of their digital presence, as well as techniques for engaging with their audience on social media and websites. Students also gained hands-on experience with social media advertising on platforms such as Instagram and Facebook to target their desired audience.



POSHAN MAAH (TRADITIONAL FOOD FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN)

On 15th September 2022, The NSS Unit conducted a food preparation & recipe writing activity under the Poshan Maah – Traditional Food For Women & Children.

Volunteers were supposed to make a food item that particularly supports women's and children's health & submit its recipe & photograph.



WOMEN'S HEALTH AWARENESS SESSION (POSHAN MAAH)

On 29th September 2022, the NSS Unit organized a session on Women's Health Awareness to contribute to women's wellbeing. The audience members were educated about menstruation, sexual health, diseases, sanitary products, etc by trained menstrual health experts – Barkha Soni and Saloni Kalambe.



DIYA & SNACKS DONATION

On 22nd October 2022, the volunteers from the NSS Unit initiated a Diwali Donation drive at Burhanpur, Palghar, which is our adopted village. Volunteers donated diyas, biscuits, chocolates, cream crackers, etc among the residents of the village.



DIYA PAINTING

On 7th October 2022, The volunteers from the NSS Unit painted diyas which were donated in our adopted village Barhanpur and put up for sale. The earnings from the sale were used to donate healthy snacks to the residents. A total of 10 Volunteers participated in painting the diyas.



DIYA STALL

NSS unit celebrated 'DIWALI LIGHTS' on 19th October with the villagers at our adopted village at Barhanpur. Diyas were hand painted and decorated by the volunteers for sale and donations. We donate some diyas at our adopted village every year. Volunteers hand-painted diyas and decorated them for the sale and donations. Similarly, this year around 350 diyas were painted and put up for sale. The Earnings from the sale were used to donate some healthy snacks to the residents of our adopted Village at Barhanpur.



UNITY RUN AND UNITY PLEDGE.

On 31st October 2022, NSS unit along with NCC Unit had organized a unity run in Matunga. This was done with a view to spread the message of National Unity and Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav among the youth. The run was followed by a Unity Pledge.



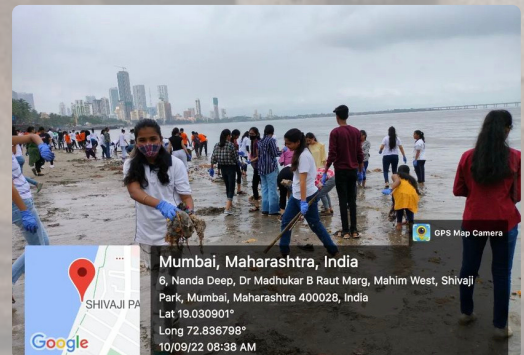
FOOD DONATION

On 16th October 2022, the NSS unit celebrated the World Food Day by donating food to people in need. A total of 8 volunteers participated in Food Donation Drive.



BEACH CLEANUP

R. A. Podar College NSS Unit conducted a Beach Clean Up Drive. The cleanup was conducted at Dadar Beach on the 10th of September, 2022 from 8:00 a.m to 10:00 a.m. Provision of post cleanup refreshments was made by sponsors. 27 volunteers came forward to participate in this drive consisting of 19 females and 8 males.



ELOCUTION COMPETITION

NSS Unit of R.A Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) organized, 'Vocalize Your Thoughts', an Elocution Competition on 17th September under the 'Poshan Maah' Initiative. Topic for the event was 'Gender Sensitive Water Management'. All the participants were given participation certificates and the winners were awarded medals.



CONSTITUTION DAY

NSS Unit of R.A Podar in collaboration with the Mudra Marathi Vangmay Mandal celebrated the Constitution Day on 26th of November. The celebration covered insightful speeches delivered by the faculty members, patriotic songs sung by the students and the importance of the constitution imparted to all audience members. Volunteers actively assisted in making the necessary arrangements, crowd control and participated in delivering speeches.



OATH TAKING

Held on December 1st, Volunteers were made aware about Environment consciousness and importance of the role of a healthy environment in our daily Lives and how grateful we all should be for the benevolent nature of environment. We all should utilize the resources carefully and not hastily waste resources and understand the needs of Future.



VIGILANCE WEEK (3RD -6TH NOV)

Vigilance Awareness Week is organized every year during the last week of October. The objective of this endeavor is to encourage citizens to collectively participate in the prevention of, and the fight against corruption and to raise public awareness on this very important issue.



NOSTALGIA QUIZ

On 19th December 2022, The Quizzers League conducted Nostalgia Quiz, an event exclusively for the teachers. Quiz questions related to politics, culture, brand names, singers of 80s and 90s era were asked. The event was a great success.



THE ART OF EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP

On 16th December 2022, The Life Enrichment Centre conducted a seminar on leadership to improve leadership abilities and develop personality of the students. It was hosted by Ms. Ashu Khanna, an Authentic Leadership Expert, Author Entrepreneur, Motivational Speaker and a Chartered Accountant. She guided the students on how to improve and strengthen their leadership skills and get a hold on life altogether.



A. D. SHROFF MEMORIAL ELOCUTION COMPETITION – PRELIMINARY ROUND

Speakers' Academy of R.A Podar college successfully conducted the preliminary elimination round for the A.D Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition on 10th September. It was a learning experience for students on how to deliver a speech, how to keep the audience engaged and most importantly how to put across their point.

This grooming provided by the Speakers' Academy would help them in their careers going forward. The expertise of the judges, Ms. Amita Kamat, Mr. Akshay Shingare and Ms. Nikita Tanksali, further helped the participants to improve on the critical aspects of their delivery.

The final round was held on 17th September, 2022.



BAALPAN NO KHAJANO

On 14th November 2022 , The Gujarati Literary Circle conducted an Online Event Baalpan No Khajano. Participants shared their childhood memories and what childhood meant to them while digging up old photographs from their youth. The participants had to make an Instagram Story, share a picture of themselves as children, and then answer the question "What childhood means to you?" in a maximum of two to three sentences, ideally in Gujarati. They also had to use the hashtag #MastiNaDivaso and tag the GLC official Instagram page when sharing their favourite childhood story. The event's top 5 tales with intriguing and memorable captions were chosen as the winners.



GARBA WORKSHOP 2.0

This event was organized on 17th September with the intent to acquaint students with Garba dance form. It served as a platform for the non-Gujrati students who wish to learn this dance form and was also a chance for students who already knew this dance to brush up their skills.



LOGO के शहर

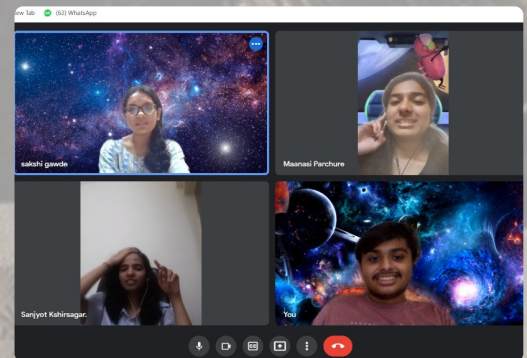
The Innovation Cell organized a Logo Making Competition called “LOGO के शहर” as its Inaugural Event on Tuesday, 6th September 2022. This event was open for all the students of Degree and Junior College. This Event was organized under the abled guidance of Prof. Karishma Khadiwala, Professor In-Charge, Innovation Cell. On the day of the event, the participants were required to present the logo and explain its relevance in 45 seconds – 1 minute timeframe in front of the Judge. The Judge for this event was Prof. Akshay Shingare. The Event was enthusiastically attended by approximately 70 people. There were 24 contestants who participated in this Event.

The hosts of the Event were Ms. Amruta Nair and Ms. Smiti Kamble. The Event Head was Mr. Vedang Sardar. The event was concluded with a Vote of Thanks given by our Student Secretary Mr. Harsh Pataskar. This Event gave the contestants a platform to showcase their talent and creativity.



AROUND THE UNIVERSE

It was an inter-school event held on 15th and 17th September. Various schools participated in the event. The event consisted of a board game. The organizing team had designed a board game reflecting space & universe. Participants had to roll the dice and wherever they used to land, questions were asked on that particular topic or some activity was given to perform. The event was a huge success. This was the semi final round.



WORD SLEUTH

The event Word Sleuth held on 18th September 2022, saw participants from degree and junior college. The students were to make words from the letters within a short span of time. The event began at 5:30 pm with Ms. Isha Patwardhan, Mr Naman Kothari and Mr Dhananjay Thakur as hosts for Junior College students. Mr.Raj Kanadia and Ms Rasika Kale hosted the competition for degree college students. It ended around 6:30 pm and the participants enjoyed it thoroughly.



TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION

As a part of the celebration, the members of GLC portrayed their love, respect and gratitude towards all the teachers of R. A. Podar college through a video. Members spoke about the importance of Teacher's Day, why it is celebrated on 5th September and also about the importance of teachers in a student's life. Further, members of GLC presented a Guru Vandana Dance and other few Dances to express their heartfelt gratitude to all our teachers.



RESEARCH PRESENTATION

Research Presentations were an extension of the workshop held in August by the Planning Forum. It was organised as an attempt to give the students a platform to practically apply the knowledge of research that they had gathered through the workshop. The papers presented were about "Employment opportunities created by Social media"



RANG TAALI 2022

Navratri is one of the flagship events of the Gujarati Literary Circle. The objective was not only to play Garba but to also worship Goddess Durga as Navratri is a celebration of victory of Goddess Durga over the demon Mahishasur. Held on 28th September, students along with teachers sang aarti to revere Maa Durga and then students as well as teachers played Garba.

We also had another event on the same day which was Bhondla. Although it was conducted by Marathi Literary Circle, everybody got to know more about this traditional Maharashtrian festival.

The main aspect that everyone learnt was how to organise and manage such an event and the importance of co-ordination and Teamwork.



WRITING COMPETITION

Every year, the Planning Forum and Economics Association organizes an Essay Writing competition which involves submission of essays based on current affairs, economic, social or any finance related topic. This year the same was held on 27th September. The academic essays are judged on the basis of the information presented and shared.

This year the winners were Sia Bhide (1st Place), Krithika Das (2nd Place), Rohit Shinde (3rd Place) from undergraduation courses and Anushka Shivhare (1st Place place), Shreyas Shewale (2nd Place), Kaushal Dedhia (3rd Place) from postgraduation courses.

The participants submitted insightful entries spanning various topics and highlighting out of the box ideas of presenting the information, incorporating statistical data, facts and humour alike.



MEME IT UP

This event was open for all the students of Degree and Junior College. It was held from 16th September to 19th September. The Event Head was Disha Ranade. As our medium of entertainment has kept changing through the years, the marketing strategy of a lot of companies also evolved from newspaper ads to television ads and now, Meme marketing.



SEMINAR ON CRIME AGAINST WOMEN

The NSS unit of our college conducted a seminar on Crime On Women, Women Safety and POSCO Awareness. Senior officers of the crime branch were invited for the session and they gave the students very deep knowledge and useful instructions about the recent crimes and ways to prevent them.



WORKSHOP ON ASTRONOMY

The Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (DLLE) organised a noteworthy workshop on the captivating subject of astronomy, which took place from 12th to 17th September. Participants were exposed to the wonders of the cosmos, gaining valuable insights and knowledge.



SHATTERING THE DISABILITY MYTH

On 19th September the first training session was organised by the department. Furthermore, DLLE organized an event titled 'Shattering the Disability Myth' on 8th December. Students actively participated in this endeavor, expressing their thoughts through poetry, drawings, and other creative outlets, shedding light on the topic of disability from diverse perspectives.



**KAMINI DASHARATH
SUBALKAR**

"SHATTERING THE DISABILITY MYTHS"



**PAYAL PRAKASH
SHIRWAN**

CHRISTMAS DONATION DRIVE

A donation drive on 20th December was organized as a pre-event for Christmas. Children were the primary beneficiaries of this drive, as they received gifts, chocolates, and snacks, bringing smiles to their faces and creating a sense of community and compassion.



VISIT TO BSE

On 22nd September, a visit to BSE was organised with the goal of providing an overview of the course they can choose because B.Sc was one of the new courses added this year by college. Around 350 students from BMS, B.Com, BBA, BAS, and B.Sc. courses attended the seminar.



THE ONES WHO BROUGHT US GLORY THIS SEASON

- Hearty Congratulations to the team of students from our College who stood as the First Runner Ups of the overall competition at the 30th International Economic Convention. The topic for the year 2022 was 'Exploring The Changing Dynamics Of Economies Through Digitalisation' , with China as the country assigned. The Faculty Coordinators were Ms. Karishma Khadiwala and Mr. Akshay Shingare. The team consisted of Mr. Parth Kulkarni, Ms. Shivani Shetty, Ms. Amruta Nair, Ms. Aditi Gupta, Ms. Khushi Mehta and Ms. Reann Dsouza. We are very happy to announce that the team received several honours like – Best Overall Performance (1st Runner Up) and Best Presentation (1st Runner Up). In addition to this, one of the team members, Ms. Khushi Mehta, received the 1st Runner Up award for 'Best Overall Speaker' and also was declared as the 'Best Speaker of the Team' and Ms. Amruta Nair won the award of 'Best Contributor To The Team'.
- Hearty Congratulations to the students of R. A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics who participated and won at the Inter University Cultural Events that was conducted this year

CONGRATULATIONS

THE ONES WHO BROUGHT US GLORY THIS SEASON

- Hearty Congratulations to Shashi Khandekar, one of our non teaching staff (class 4) for successfully completing 80 kms on cycle on his own and finishing in our college, as a part of our Sahastra Chandra Darshan celebrations. He said he wanted to show his passion towards college. This is a moment of pride and blessing for us to have staff who consider the workplace as their soul. Three cheers to Shashi Khandekar.
- Hearty Congratulations to SUO. SWAYAM NILKANT SONTAKKE for successfully completing Army attachment camp held in Aundh Military base under 24 Maratha lite Infantry Pune by achieving BEST CADET, BEST LEADER AWARD and also CAMP SENIOR BY LEADING 205 CADETS.

CONGRATULATIONS

THAT'S ALL *folks*

**SUDARSHANA
SAIKIA**

TEACHER IN-CHARGE

**NEHA
KUMBALATH**

STUDENT EDITOR