

Inclusive Cell



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About the forum:

Inclusive education is an approach where students with special needs attend college along with neurotypical students. Students with physical and/or developmental challenges like blindness or other visual impairments, deafness or other hearing impairments, orthopedic impairments, cerebral palsy, learning disabilities, dyslexia, autism, and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, for example, may be considered to have special needs. The Inclusive Cell is there to help such students ensure they also have a fulfilling college experience.

Event 1: Vision Day Celebration

Day and Date: Saturday, July 15, 2023

Time and Venue: 4 p.m.–7 p.m., Multipurpose Hall, R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous), Matunga East, Mumbai.

Podar: Nurturing Intellect, Creating Personalities

No. of attendees: 107 male, 93 female

Description:

The Multipurpose Hall of R.A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics came alive with a sense of purpose and inclusivity on July 15, 2023, as Inclusive Cell, in collaboration with Vision Foundation, hosted the "Vision Day" event for visually impaired individuals. The event featured inspiring speeches, interactive workshops, engaging games, and inclusive dance sessions, among other activities, creating a memorable and empowering experience for around 200 attendees.

Event 2: Job Fair

Day & Date: Thursday, August 31, 2023

Time and Venue: 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m., G4, G5 classroom and multipurpose hall, R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous), Matunga East, Mumbai.

No. of attendees: 272 male, 92 female

Description:

The Inclusive Job Fair, organized by the Inclusive Cell and Placement Cell of R. A. Podar in collaboration with the Samarthan Organization, took place at R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics on August 31, 2023. This event aimed to bridge opportunities for over 170 differently-abled and approximately 100 abled job seekers, fostering inclusivity in the workforce. It served as a platform to connect nearly 30 employers with differently-abled individuals, providing a stage to explore diverse employment opportunities and promote financial independence.

Event 3: Embracing Diversity: A Roadmap to Special Education Professions (Session)

Day & Date: Thursday, August 31, 2023

Time and Venue: 11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m., F8 Classroom, R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous), Matunga East, Mumbai.

No. of attendees: 21 male, 29 female

Description:

Session "Embracing Diversity: A Roadmap to Special Education Professions" was a session hosted by the Inclusive Cell at R.A.Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) on January 17, 2023. It provided a platform for speakers, namely Ms. Shruti Bhagwat and Ms. Mansi Chhadva, to express their ideas and share their experiences as M.Ed. students in special education. It enabled learners to understand the various disabilities and career prospects in the field of special education and was indeed a step towards fostering inclusivity and diversity.