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7.1.9 Sensitization of students and employees of the Institution to the constitutional obligations: values, rights, duties and responsibilities of citizens

Describe the various activities in the Institution for inculcating values for being responsible citizens as reflected in the Constitution of India

#### Provide weblink to:

1. Details of activities that inculcate values; necessary to render students in to responsible citizens

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#### **Constitutional Obligations:**

- 1. **Politics G1 curriculum** includes topics- Introduction to the Constitution of India, Indian Legislature, Indian Executive as well as Indian Judiciary.
- 2. Celebration of Independence Day and Republic Day: The college staff and students enthusiastically participate in the various programmes organised on these occasions along with the hoisting of the flag every year.
- 3. **Compulsory Credit Course-**Democracy, Election and Governance-All the students of First Year have to successfully completed this course.
- 4. **Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad-**(Indian Youth Parliament): The students participated the Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad organised by the MIT group. The Youth Parliament provides the students hands on experience of the working of the Indian Democracy and a forum discussion on national issues.
- 5. National Unity Day: The Department of NSS celebrated Nation Unity Day on 1st October 2020. Dr. Sandhya Pandit conveyed the importance of National Unity Day.
- **6. Parakaram Diwas:** Parakaram Diwas was celebrated in college on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2021. To celebrate the Parakram Diwas college has organized "The Contribution of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose to the Freedom Struggle of India" Lecture by Dr. Sandhya Pandit, Head, Dept of History, St. Mira's College for Girls and The Flame that Burns Bright-India's Struggle for Independence Documentary Screening.
- 7. Guest Lecture on **Anti-Corruption** Awareness and taking of Anti-Corruption Integrity Pledge for Organisations.
- **8. Visit Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Museum**: SYBA and TYBA MM sociology special students visited Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Museum which helped them understand the life and works of the visionary and the sculptor of our Constitution. As a part of their curriculum, they have visited this museum and taken more information about Dr. Ambedkar and his contribution towards dalit movement. Total 14 students were present for this visit. On 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018.
- 9. Poster- making on themes of 'Patriotism' and 'Nation Building', Poetry Composition on the theme of 'Patriotism'.
- 10. Azadi Ka Amrut Mahostav- On the occasion of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of India's Independence, the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' program was launched with a heritage walk from the Aga Khan Palace on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021.
- 11. National Education Day: The Department of Education had conducted a program to celebrate National Education Day on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020. It was on the occasion of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad an educationist who spread the awareness of education among the Indian population. Prof. Mumtaz Shaikh from H.G.M Azam college of Education was the resource person. 84 Participates have attended the programme.

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12. Lokshahi Pandharwada: The Department of Politics and Public Administration and the Student Development Cell of the college conducted various programmes for the celebration of Democracy Day in India. The various activies are conducted like Singing of Patriotic Song, Republic Day, Lecture on Patriotism, Pledge of free and fair elections, Importance of movements and protest in India.

- 1. Guest Lecture on topics like "Positive Thinking and Cleanliness in Pune City": Mr. Minocher Patel, Motivational Speaker, Corporate Trainer was invited to deliver a lecture on: "Positive Thinking and Cleanliness in Pune City" on 1 st Sept. 2017. This lecture focussed on positive thinking, self-development, loving oneself, having confidence and emotional independence. His talk was at the behest of the Adar Poonawalla [social arm of the Serum Institute of India] which has partnered with the Pune Municipal Corporation for management of solid waste, provision of litter bins across Pune City, support vehicles and conservancy staff for garbage clearance, information and outreach programs for citizens' awareness.
- Innovative Techniques for the waste recycling and energy conservations: In connection with Swachhata Pakhwada Mrs. Uma khara from Jeevitnadi foundation spoke on "The Innovative Techniques for Waste Recycling and Energy Conversation on 18th January 2020.
- 3. Sanitary Napkin Donation Campaign 'Kaho Na Pad Hai' (in collaboration with 95 BigFM and Upasana NGO): On 24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018, MJ Jyonita Deshmukh and Show Producer Sanika Mutalik of 95 Big FM were at St. Mira's College for the Sanitary Napkin Collection Campaign- 'Kaho Na Pad Hai'. The Principal Dr. Gulshan Gidwani felicitated our guests from 95Big FM with literature of the Sadhu Vaswani Mission and campus harvested manure.

The objective of this drive was to create awareness about the health benefits of using sterile sanitary napkins as against cloth, to collect sanitary napkins for women in tribal and slum areas in and around Vasai region of Maharashtra. and to break the stigma attached to discussions on sanitary napkin use. The ongoing collection drive was organized by 95 Big FM in association with Mumbai based NGO Upasana. This initiative has been inspired by the upcoming movie release – 'Pad Man'.

Our staff and students collectively mobilized 245 packets i.e. around 2500 sanitary napkins.

- 4. **Making Ganpati Idol**: The students and staff prepared the Ganpati idol and a small mouse-Bappa's charioteer on 24th Aug, 2017 using wet paper and 'shaadumatti'(river bed clay) mixed with some organic resin. Care was taken to use lentil seeds and sago for decoration of Lord Ganesha's headgear. Installation of our 'Green Bappa' was in the Sanctuary for 5 days.
- 5. **Blood Donation Camp**: On 22 nd November 2019 total 87 students from FY/SY/TY/BA, BCOM, BCS, BBA, BCA enthusiastically participated and registered themselves to donate blood. Out of these 87 registrations 36 volunteers passed the weight, HB and other criteria and were fit for blood donation. All the 36 donors were provided with snacks- coffee, biscuits and banana. All the donors were given certificate of a donor. Total 25 volunteers worked hard from 9 am to 2 pm to make this camp a success.

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- 6. Swachha Bharat Summer Internship Programme: Under Swachha Bharat summer Internship college has celebrated Road Safety Week, observing of 'No Tobacco Day': Every year 'No Tobacco Day' is celebrated on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019. 'Tobacco and Lungs Health' is the theme for the year 2019-20, as per the declaration by WHO. NSS PO Dr. Meenal Sumant interacted with the students, sevaks and sevikas and discussed the disastrous effects that tobacco has on lungs and respiratory system. Nearly 500 students, along with the Teachers, Non-teaching Staff, Sevaks and Sevikas pledged not to consume tobacco in any form and to restrain others form the use of tobacco.
- 7. Majhi Maitrni Charitable Trust: College entered into collaboration with 'Majhi Maitrni Charitable Trust' an NGO working for upliftment of women from underprivileged sections of the society.
- 8. Road Safety Week: The college celebrates Road Safety week.
- 9. No Tobacco Day: The NSS Department Every year celebrates "No Tobacco Day "is celebrated in the college on the occasion of World Population Day.
- 10. **Hiroshima and Nagasaki Day:** The Department of Politics and Public Administration in collaboration with the Department of History organized the screening of a documentary, "Hiroshima and Nagasaki after the Atomic Bombings | The US Army documentary on the Aftermath" for the students of SYBA. The program as conducted virtually and it was followed by the imperative facts of the events and a discussion about the effects of nuclear armaments in the world.
- 11. **Deepgriha:** Department of Accountancy is collaborated with Deepgriha an NGO and various activities are conducted under the Deepgriha.
- 12. **Organ Donation Awareness Campaign Week:** NSS department underlook the following activities in order to create awareness, encourage and inspire staff, students, non-teaching staff, friends and family to take pledge to donate their organs and contribute to this great cause.
- 13. **Soil Conservation and Water Conservation** were shown to B.A. and B.Com students on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021. Total 132 students attended the session. The session gave an insight into the steps for Soil and Water conservation which we as individuals can implement. Some of them were: For Soil Conservation: Eat sustainable foodstuffs, properly recycle batteries, produce homemade compost and dispose of drugs in the places authorised for this purpose. For Water Conservation: Replace shower heads and faucet aerators with water efficient models, Use native plants in your garden that require less water, Only run your dishwasher and washing machine when they are full, Do not throw in the trash, pour down the drain, etc.
- **14. The Youth Day** was enthusiastically celebrated jointly by the Departments of Politics and Public Administration, NSS and Student Welfare. This day is celebrated on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

The online session was attended by 80 participants.

A Panel discussion was held on the following topics -

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- 'Views of Swami Vivekanada and Today's Youth' Speaker for this topic was Ms. Veena Kenchi
- 'The Changing Mindset of Today's Youth' Speaker for this was Mrs. Pooja Jain.
- 'Disposal of Plastic Waste' was explained to the students through videos.
- Clean and Healthy India Contribution of the Youth
- Display of Books on Swami Vivekananda by the Library

#### Rights:

1. National Voters Day: Every year 25th January is celebrated as national Voters' Day. In connection with this, Department of NSS and Electoral Club celebrated National Voter's Day on 25th January 2022.

Following activities were organized on the occasion of National Voters Day

- Voters' Pledge: As a part of this celebration students have taken the pledge for free and fearless voting and to follow all the guidelines given by Democracy and Constitution. Total 48 NSS volunteers took pledge on the occasion.
- Guest Lecture A guest lecture was organized by the NSS department and Electoral club. It was conducted by Ms. Veena Kenchi, Head, Dept. of Political Science highlighting the importance of voting in democracy and presented videos regarding the adult suffrage movement.
- Making Poster and Slogans to Spread Awareness: Students used social media to create awareness about voting. They shared posters to create voting awareness among the peers.
- 2. Constitution Day: The Department of Politics and Public Administration and the Department of NSS celebrates constitution day every year. Various activities are conducted by department like praying for our motherland, prayers were recited in different languages by girls from different religions. The college library hosted an exhibition of the constitution day and related books.
- 3. Independence Day and Republic Day: The college staff and students enthusiastically participate in the various programmes organised on these occasions along with the hoisting of the flag every year.
- Human Rights Day: The Department of Politics and Public Administration organized a documentary screening and discussion session titled "Know Human Rights Day- 10th December 2021".
- 140 Students from across the streams of Arts, Commerce and Science participated in this session. The session was moderated by Mrs. Anita D'Cunha.
- 5. Voters Week Awareness Drives: The Electoral Club, The Department of NSS and the Department of Political Science of St. Mira's College for Girls celebrated 'Voters Awareness Week' from 15th December to 21st December 2021. Following activities were organized as a part of Voters Awareness Week.
  - Orientation of the proposed voters through videos Following videos were screened online to all the classes by the class teachers. Awareness about the voters registration benefitted 677 students. Videos about the convenience of online registration, procedure of online registration were shown to the students.

Video 1. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sMnC26TaN6c

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Video 2. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pE\_OMTJuEwg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pE\_OMTJuEwg</a> Video 3. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ytFYTVgJ5mc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ytFYTVgJ5mc</a>

Online Registration of New Voters – The following links for online voters' registration were shared with the students. - <a href="https://voterportal.eci.gov.in/">https://nvsp.in/</a>. The students were encouraged to register online as voters. Twelve students registered online using above links.

Awareness through Posters Campaign - NSS volunteers made posters and displayed them as their status. Total twentytwo NSS volunteers made posters on voters awareness and circulated on the social media. All the posters together received 1000 views.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- 1. Swacchata Pakhwada: In accordance with 'Swacchata Pakhwada' observed by the NSS department of the college, on Saturday, 4th August 2018, from 11 am onwards, the members of the Green Club volunteered to help NSS members spruce up the college campus. Armed with brooms and gloves, the students swept the floors, corridors and the garden, cleaned up litter from the campus and weeded the grounds.
- 2. Green Trek: The two-pronged approach of the Green Club—advocacy and engagement—was put into effect with one of the most popular and well-received Green Club activities of the year: the Inaugural Green Trek. On Saturday, 8th December 2018, 30 highly enthusiastic students from the college visited Parvati Hill, in Pune city. The objective of the trek was four-fold: firstly, an active engagement of the students with the city and a clean-up of its environs; students learning to take up responsibilities; spreading awareness of the state of our environment, all while having fun.
- 3. **Garden Waste Management Project:** our college has undertaken an on-campus project for garden waste composting. The services of a professional garden waste management organisation named '*Green Thumb*' headed by Mr Firdosh Roowalla have been employed for this purpose in September 2016. The supervision of this project is being done by the Department of BBA and the Green Club. About 800 kgs of manure was harvested between 14-15<sup>th</sup> December 2017.
- 4. Conduct of Covid-19 Vaccination Drives on-campus: As a way of accelerating the national drive for vaccination in the Covid -19 pandemic, the St Mira's College Alumni Association conducted a Two Days Vaccination Drive in association with Pune Municipal Corporation on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022. The Vaccination camp was organized in college campus from 11 am onwards for the students of St. Mira's College aged between 15 to 18 years old.
- 5. Yuva Netrutva Vikas Shibir: The students participated in the one day workshop which gave them an insight into the topics of Secularism and Leadership and Science of Organziation. It gave forum to discuss the issues of leadership with eminent social workers like Anwar Rajan and Kumar Saptarshi.

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Save Ganga Movement: The students participated in seminar cum panel discussion on

SAVE GANGA MOVEMENT at the Gandhi Memorial Society.

NGO Borderless World Foundation: our student Zahra Shetranjiwala and Neha Kadali volunteered as interns with the Kashmir based NGO-Borderless World Foundation.

Animal Rescue Group: BBA/BBA(CA) students formed 'Animal Rescue Group' with the purpose of nurturing, healing and protecting stay animals. Our students are participating in fund raising for the cause of Animal Rescue Activity.

Kerala Flood Relief: A college has conducted a donation drive for Kerala Flood Relief.

10. Covid Task Force: Our collage has special Covid Task Force committee who were working in Pandemic and they were taking care about all covid protocols to be followed by the students, special class arrangement etc.

11. Mahjhi Maitrin: Department of business studies collaborated with charitable Trust Mahjhi Maitrin 2018-19 and conducted the various activities.

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13. On Wednesday, 18th July 2018, the Green Club volunteers undertook the first official activity of the year through a Social Outreach Programme for the benefit of the visually impaired. The activity was dedicated to our Spiritual Guru and Mentor, the late Dada J.P. Vaswani. Volunteers collected newspapers from their homes, neighbours and classmates, sold the same to a third party (raddi or waste paper disposal) vendor and thus generated funds to the tune of Rs. 2000. These funds were used to purchase about 500 Braille paper sheets required by inmates of the Poona Home and School for the Blind, located at Koregaon Park, Pune

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14. NSS volunteers actively participated in 'Swachha Bharat Summer Internship Programme', which was undertaken on 11th July 2019. All the volunteers went to the Poona Blind School early in the morning and worked there for 5 hours. Volunteers along with the NSS POs.

15. On 28th January 2020, The Students And Representatives Of The Green Club have taken A SPECIAL DRIVE TO CHECK WATER WASTAGE IN CAMPUS. The students checked the taps in the campus. There was no leakage of taps around the campus and it was observed that the water was conserved properly by the students



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