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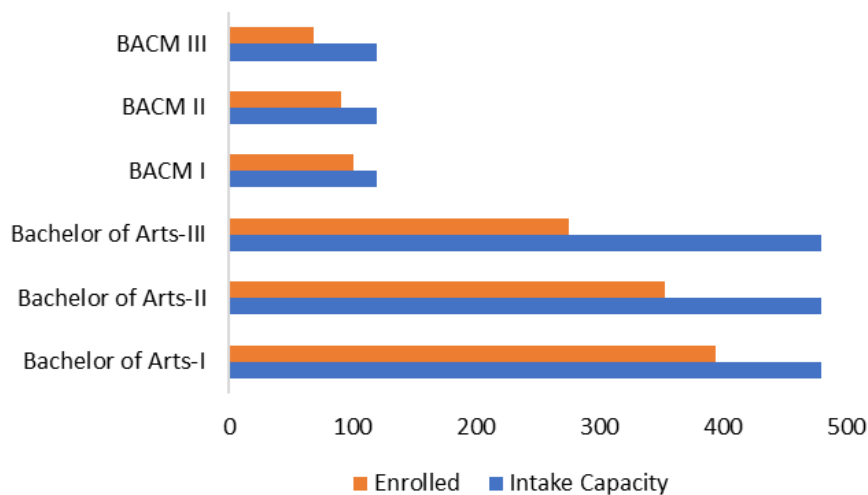
ANNUAL QUALITY REPORT (2023-24)

Ramnarain Ruia College (now autonomous), was established in 1937 by the Shikshana Prasarak Mandali, Pune and is one of the pioneering institutions for higher education in Mumbai. Our Autonomous status (2017) has brought us greater freedom to design innovative, skill-based courses. Our **Logo, ‘Explore–Experience–Excel’**, sums up our quest for excellence.

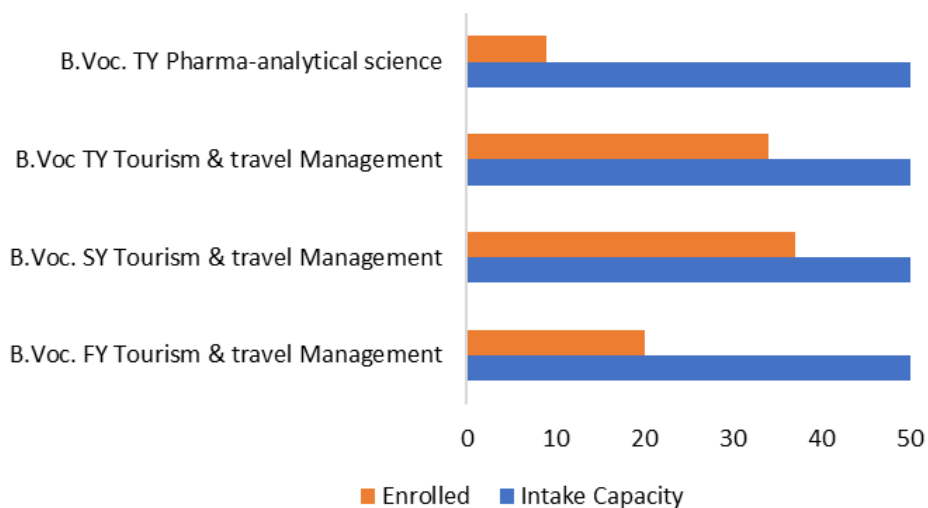
The College offers core courses in Arts and Science with 13 subjects for Arts and 13 subjects for Science including vocational courses. It also offers 13 PhD programs (04 in Arts and 09 in Science) with student strength of ~3100 (UG~2500, PG~600).

Trends in Student Enrolment:

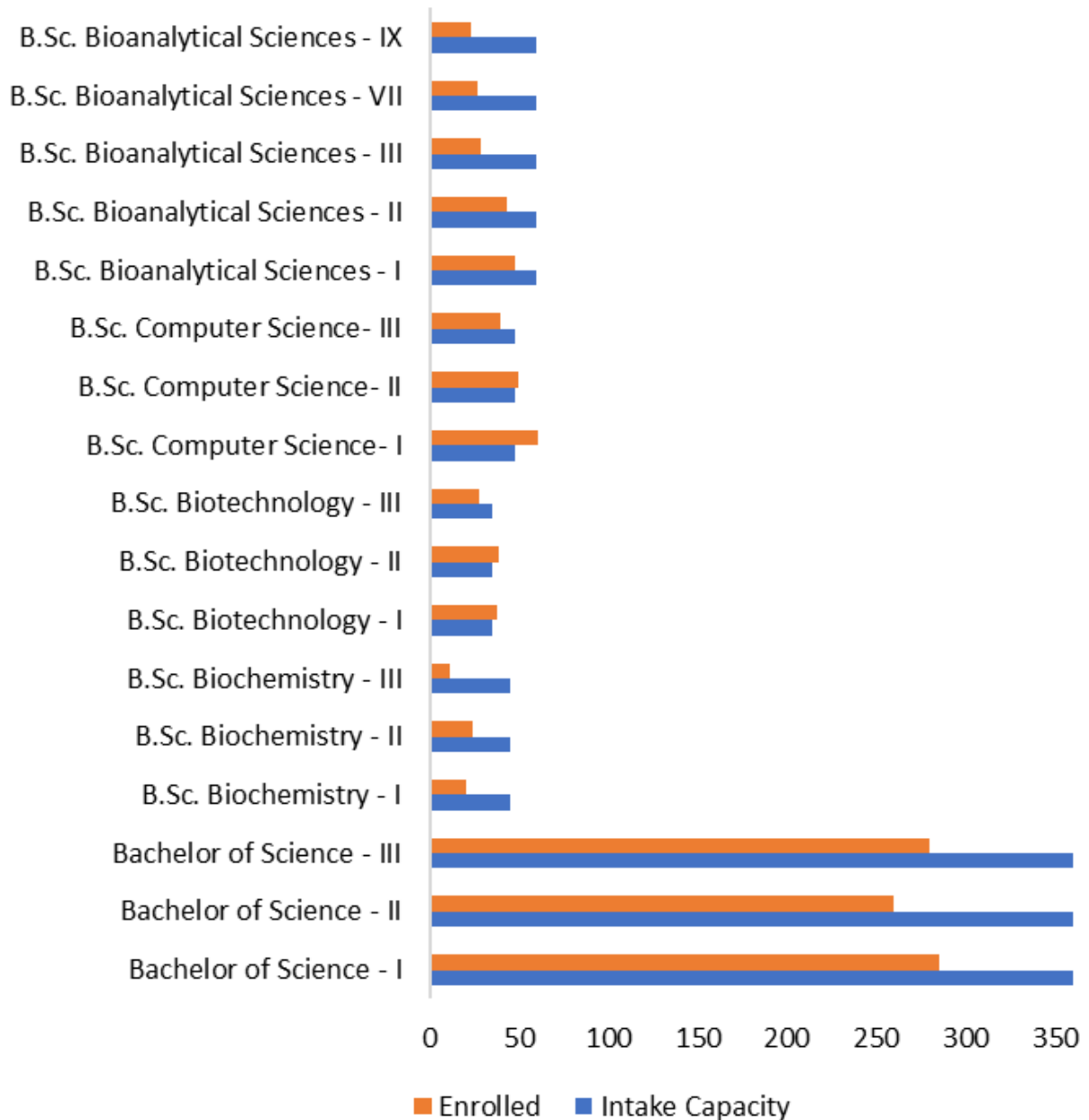
Enrolment in BA & BACM



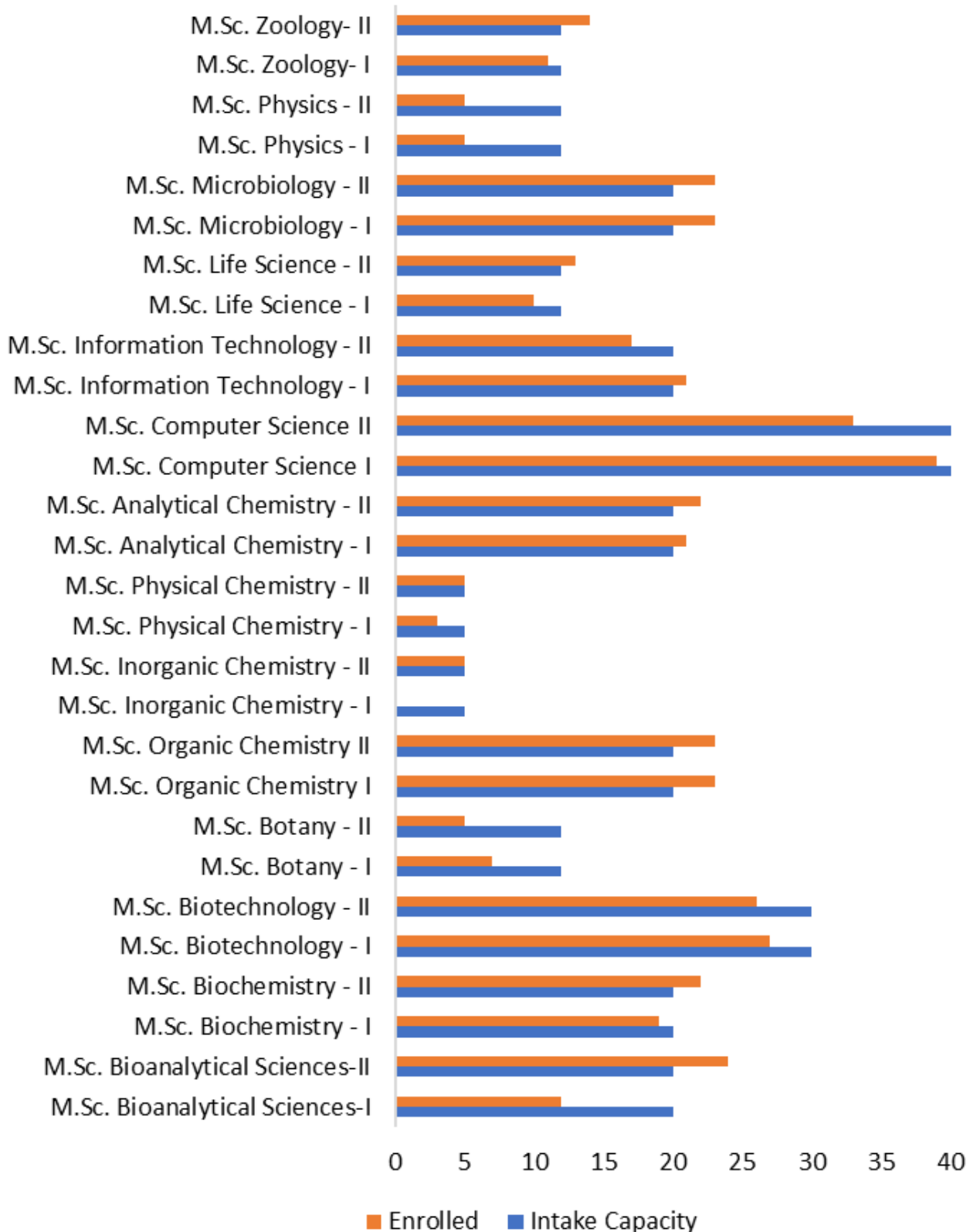
Enrolment in B.Voc.



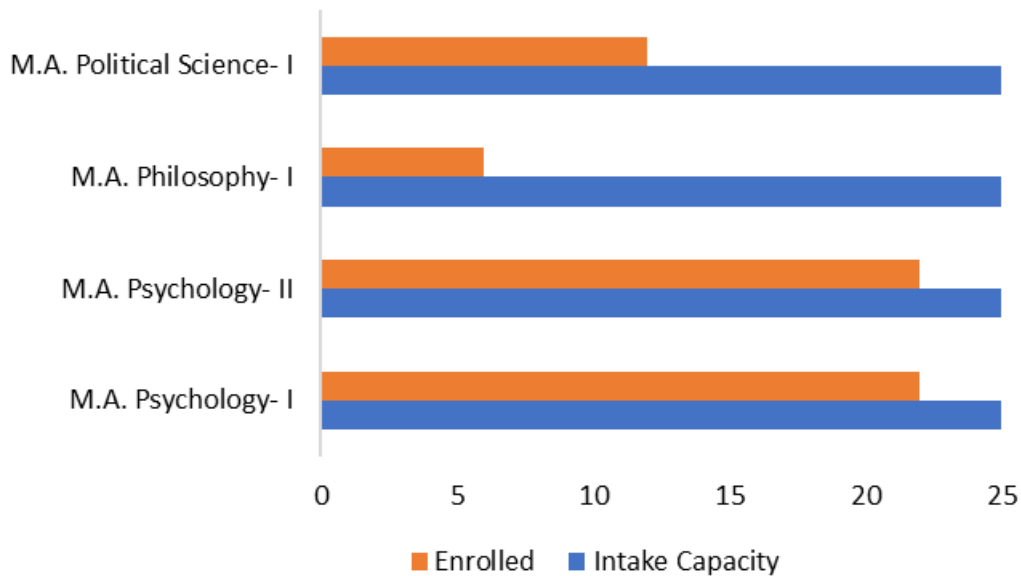
Enrolment in B.Sc.



Enrolment in M.Sc.



Enrolment in M.A.



B.Voc. PAS has students only in third year

Curriculum Enrichment:

Realising the trend of students towards learning for skilling through last year's analysis, the College has introduced new PG Programs and Certificate Courses.

New Programmes:

- M.A. Politics (International Relations and Area studies)
- M.A. Philosophy (Philosophical Counselling and Logic Based Therapy)

New Certificate Courses:

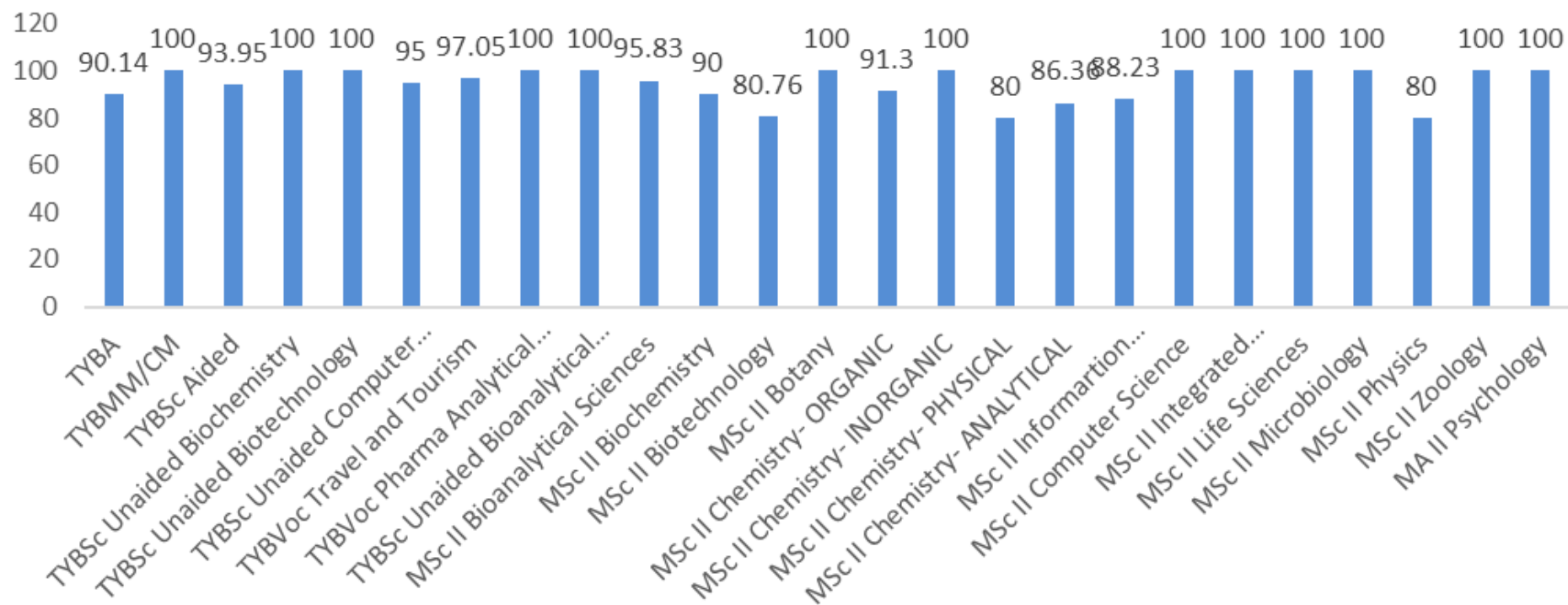
- Basics Plant Tissue Culture Techniques
- Floristry
- Gardening Level-I & II (Title of the course revised)

With the introduction of these Programs and Courses this year, we have addressed students' needs for acquiring knowledge and experiences about contemporary (International Relations) and futuristic (Logic-Based Therapy) areas of study.

The Certificate Courses directly address skills required in setting up money-making ventures through entrepreneurship.

Examination Results:

Pass Percentage Academic Year 2023-24



Most of the UG & PG departments have a passing percentage of more than 90%. Remedial courses and doubt solving sessions were conducted for the students who were unsuccessful in the examination.

Institutional, Faculty and Students' Achievements

The sustained efforts of the College towards excellence are evident in the following accolades achieved by the College and internal stakeholders.

Institutional:

- The College bagged Overall Championship in Literary section at the 56th Youth Festival of University of Mumbai: 6 Gold, 2 Silver, 1 Bronze and 2 Consolation Prizes
- The College received the Zonal Championship trophy for 17th *Avishkar* competition 2022-23
- At the 18th *Avishkar* competition 2023-24: University Level
 - First Place in Engineering and Biotechnology UG Category
 - First Place in Pure Science PG Category
 - Consolation Prize in Humanities UG Category
- Two projects were selected for *Anveshan-2024*
- Silver medal at State Level in Pure Science PG Category

Faculty Awards

- Principal **Prof. Anushree Lokur** received the Outstanding Education Leadership Award (awarded by EGN India)
- Ms. **Anjali Mali** received a grant of Rs 3.0 lakhs for her Ph.D. program
- Dr. **Pravin Chandra Bisht** was felicitated by Ministry of Culture, Government of India, as 'The Best Hindi Teacher'

Curriculum design and dissemination

- Mr. **Sachin Rajagopalan** has designed a course for UN on awareness for Antimicrobial resistance, as per SDG 3 and SDG 12, open globally to all and presented this course in a symposium in Slovenia in June 2023
- Mr. Sachin Rajagopalan's four-week MOOC course was selected to the 'Open Education for a Better World 2023 mentoring program'

PhD Degrees awarded to Faculty

- Jotsna Ram (Hindi)
- Sandesh Samant (Political Science)

Faculty Development:

9 Faculty members from Departments of Statistics, Life Science, Computer Science, Biotechnology, Philosophy and Chemistry participated in Refresher Courses and Faculty Development Programs organised by TISS - MSFDA, UGC HRDC, PMMMNMTT and Teaching Learning Centre in the programs with broad areas of Social Responsibility and

Community Engagement, Business Analytics, Human Rights, Advanced Research Methodology and Molecular Biology.

Students' Awards / Achievements

- Mugdha Belwalkar, won "Best Poster Presentation" Award in an international conference organized by NIPER Hyderabad- PHARMAICON 2023.
- 4 MSc Part II Bioanalytical Sciences students won First prize in the poster-making competition on "Development and evaluation of plant based effervescent wash bombs for tough stain removal" in a one-day National Conference on Life Sciences & Biotechnology for Eternal Development (LBTED 2023) held at SDSM's College, Palghar
- Reena William Mascarenhas (Bioanalytical Science), Manik Rathod (Chemistry), Sagar Karkhanis (History) and Vikas G. Yadav (Chemistry), were granted Doctoral Degrees.
- Preeti Mhaske, a visually challenged student of Economics has qualified for NET and JRF.

Activities conducted for Students:

- The Centre for Mindfulness and Well-Being in collaboration with Heartfulness Campus conducted the Induction Program for the First year UG students on 13th, 14th and 15th July 2023 and for PG on 21st and 22nd July 2023.
- A Session on Mental Health was conducted through MPower of Aditya Birla Education Trust in collaboration with the department of Philosophy in three batches on 31st August, 1st and 4th September 2023 for all UG students.
- Professional Counsellors have been appointed through an MoU with Aditya Birla Education Trust and students can avail counselling through appointments.
- PLAT (Progressive Learning Ability Test) was conducted under an MoU signed with ORAGE DIGITAL Pvt. Ltd. (Offee) for students of all FY class on 6th September 2023 and 11th October 2023
- A session "Challenges and Opportunities of Future" was conducted by Dr. Anand Nadkarni for students of TY and MSc II under Pradnya Parisar Prakalpa of MSFDA on 5th January 2024
- A Workshop on Inquiry and Critical Thinking was conducted for students of FYBSc and SYBSc through IISER under MS-DEED Program of the MSFDA from 15th to 17th February 2024

Students' Achievements in Sports & Cultural Activities:

- Harshita Waingankar was felicitated by Sports Minister Mr.Sanjay Bansode for her special achievements in Mallakhamb
- Ms Nishka Kale won
 - Bronze in the 18th ISF World School Gymnasiade, France
 - Silver in 4th Khelo India Youth Games
 - 2 Bronze in Maharashtra Olympic Games 2023
 - 1 Silver and 1 bronze in All India University Gymnastics Championships 2023
 - Gold (team) Silver (hoop) bronze (All Around) medals at the 37th National Games
 - Mumbai city district sports award 2023
 - Participated in 14th senior Asian Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships, Manila, Philippines
 - Represented India at the senior Asian championships in Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Programs conducted for Faculty:

- A session on Outcome Based Education by Mr. Ajay Bhagwat, founder of inPods was conducted on 18th October 2023
- A session on “Teachers as mentors”-an interaction by Dr. Nadkarni was conducted under Pradnya Parisar Prkalpa of MSFDA on 5th January 2024
- The Faculty Development Program by WeSchool on Leadership Development was organised on 28th March 2024. 60 Teachers participated
- A session on Being Mindful Online was conducted by Mr Unmesh Joshi and Ms Sonali Patankar of Responsible Netism on 30th April 2024. 88 staff attended

Programs conducted for Administrative Staff / support staff

- A 2-day workshop on Disaster Management was conducted by the Disaster Management Department of BMC Parel office for administrative and support staff on 8th-9th November 2023 and 17th-18th November 2023. 59 staff attended.
- A session on Stress Management and Communication was conducted by Dr. Anand Nadkarni under Pradnya Parisar Prkalpa of MSFDA on 5th January 2024.56 staff attended
- Workshop on Team Building, Effective Communication Skills and Work Culture at *Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini*, Uttan on 1st and 7th March 2024. 93 staff attended.

- A session on Being Mindful Online was conducted by Mr Unmesh Joshi and Ms Sonali Patankar of Responsible Netism on 30th April 2024. 47 staff attended.

Quality Audits conducted:

- Library Audit on 29th February 2024
- Examination Audit on 22nd March 2024
- Gender Audit on 13th April 2024
- Academic and Administrative Audit conducted on 24th and 25th April 2024

Efforts initiated by the College:

- Mapping of Learning Outcomes (Courses & Students): The rubrics for evaluating attainment of Program and Course Outcomes has been initiated by constructing the framework to record direct assessment parameters. This template will be distributed to all teachers whereby the College can track the teachers' performance. With proceeding years, we will be able to track each student's academic performance through their tenure in College.

Conclusion:

Overall, the College has attained its goals as envisaged at the beginning of this academic year.



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