

VPM's
K.G Joshi College of Arts & N.G. Bedekar College of Commerce (Autonomous), Thane

Minutes of the 4th Governing Body Meeting held on Thursday, 27th April 2023 from
11. 30 am in the Virtual Mode on Zoom Platform

AGENDA

- Agenda No. 4.01: Welcome
- Agenda No. 4.02: To read and confirm Minutes of the previous meeting.
- Agenda No. 4.03: To give final approval to the changes in curriculum, PSOs and COs made by various Board of Studies (BoS) and business transacted in Board of Examination and Evaluation, Finance Committee and Academic Council.
- Agenda No. 4.04: To approve the TYBA Programme with three papers of Philosophy and three papers of Psychology from the academic year 2023-24.
- Agenda No. 4.05: To approve the proposal of starting Masters of Arts (MA) in Political Science, Masters of Arts (MA) in Marathi, Masters in Vocational (M.Voc) in sales & Marketing Management and one new UG Programme BCom in International Accounting (iBCom) from the academic year 2023-24
- Agenda No. 4.06: To brief about the Academic activities and Exams conducted.
- Agenda No. 4.07: To inform about the submission of Annual Autonomy Report for the year 2022-2023
- Agenda No. 4.08: To seek permission for increasing 10% seats at First Year level in all Programmes of UG and PG for the Academic Year 2023-24 as per the guidelines of the University of Mumbai
- Agenda No. 4.09: To seek approval for the Examination Compendium prepared by the College
- Agenda No. 4.10: To seek approval for the Policy for Persons with Disability (PWD) students and special provision made for *Divyang* students for Internal Examination
- Agenda No. 4.11: To brief about the developments in respect with NEP-2020
- Agenda No. 4.12 Any other issue with the permission of the Chair.
- Agenda No. 4.13: To inform the Committee the date of next meeting.
- Agenda No. 4.14: Vote of Thanks

UGC Nominee	Dr. Swadesh Singh Dept.of Political Science, Satyawati College, New Delhi	
Educationist or Industrialist	Dr. Gajanan Wader Principal, Pillai College (Autonomous), Panvel	
State Government Nominee	Dr. Keshav Tupe Joint Director of Higher Education, Konkan Region	
University Nominee	Dr. Ajay Bhamare Pro Vice Chancellor and former Dean of Faculty of Commerce, University of Mumbai Principal, RADAV College (Autonomous), Bhandup	
Managing Committee Members	Dr. Vijay Bedekar	Chairman, Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane
	Shri. Abhay Marathe	Secretary, Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane
	Dr. Mahesh Bedekar	Member, Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane
	CA Ravindra Rasal	Registrar, Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane
	Shri. Uttam Joshi	Joint Secretary, Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane
	Shri. Aniruddha Joshi	Member, Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane
	Teachers Nominated by Principal	Mr. Subhash Shinde
Mr. Narayan Barse		Librarian & Co-ordinator of Library Science

Leave of Absence was granted to the following members :

Dr. Keshav Tupe and Shri. Aniruddha Joshi

➤ **Agenda No.4.01: Welcome**

With the permission of the Chair, Vice Prin. Mr. Subhash Shinde, coordinated the proceedings. He formally welcomed the esteemed members to the 4th Governing Body Meeting and commenced the proceedings as per the agenda.

- **Agenda No. 4.02: To read and confirm Minutes of the previous meeting.**

The Minutes of the third Governing Body meeting was presented by Principal Dr. (Mrs.) Suchitra Naik which was duly approved and confirmed by Chairman of Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Dr. Vijay Bedekar .

Resolution No.1

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last Governing Body Meeting held on Saturday, 24th September 2022 are hereby approved by the Governing Body.

- **Agenda No. 4.03: To give final approval to the changes in curriculum, POS's and CO's made by various Board of Studies (BoS) and business transacted in Board of Examination and Evaluation, Finance Committee and Academic Council.**

Vice Principal Asst. Prof. Subhash Shinde briefed the members about the BoS meetings conducted by various departments and an update was given on the agenda of the BoS which included the revision of TY-UG syllabus and PG -Part II syllabus for academic year 2023-24. The members were informed that all departments had redrafted POS's & Co's according to Blooms Taxonomy so that the mapping of syllabus and evaluation pattern are in accordance to NEP structure and recommendation. A round up of the business transacted in Board of Examination and Evaluation, Finance Committee and Academic Council was presented for the confirmation of the members and was duly approved.

Resolution No.2

RESOLVED that the final approval to the changes in curriculum, PSO's and CO's made by various Board of Studies (BoS) and business transacted in Board of Examination and Evaluation, Finance Committee and Academic Council are approved by the Governing Body.

- **Agenda No. 4.04: To approve the TYBA Programme with three papers of Philosophy and three papers of Psychology from the academic year 2023-24.**

Prin. Dr. Suchitra Naik informed the Governing Body that the college has been offering 6 papers in Philosophy and 6 papers in Psychology in the past years. This year there is a proposal to introduce three papers of Philosophy and three papers of Psychology which would be beneficial for students to select either Philosophy or Psychology for their Masters Programme. The members granted their approval for the same.

Resolution No.3

RESOLVED that the Governing Body unanimously gives its approval to introduce the TYBA Programme with three papers of Philosophy and three papers of Psychology from the academic year 2023-24.

- **Agenda No. 4.05: To approve the proposal of starting Masters of Arts (MA) in Political Science, Masters of Arts (MA) in Marathi, Masters in Vocational (M.Voc) in sales & Marketing Management and one new UG Programme BCom in International Accounting (iBCom) from the academic year 2023-24**

Prin. Dr. Suchitra Naik went on to present before the Governing Body the proposal to introduce the following new Post Graduate programmes from the academic year 2023-24:

1. Masters of Arts (MA) in Political Science
2. Masters of Arts (MA) in Marathi
3. Masters in Vocational (M.Voc) in sales & Marketing Management
4. UG Programme BCom in International Accounting (iBCom)

A detailed briefing on the scope and purpose of these programmes was provided by the Principal. The members opined that these programmes would go a long way in providing more employment opportunities to the youth. The members unanimously approved the proposal.

Resolution No.4

RESOLVED that the Governing Body unanimously approves the introduction of Masters of Arts (MA) in Political Science and Marathi, and Masters in Vocational (M.Voc) in sales & Marketing Management and one new UG Programme BCom in International Accounting (iBCom) from the academic year 2023-24

- **Agenda No. 4.06: To brief about the Academic activities and Exams conducted.**

Prin. Dr. Suchitra Naik presented an overview of the major activities organized by the college during the academic year.

- The Peer team of Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality Assessment (RBNQA) visited college on 9th and 10th January 2023. We have received IMC RBNQA commendation certificate 2022 in the Education category. The award ceremony will be held on 28th April 2023.
- Our magazine Yuvashilp secured First Prize in the competition organised in the memory of Shri Raja Rajvade, at Devrukh, Ratnagiri.
- Two projects of students got Silver Medal at the 17th 'Avishkar Research Convention Finals' held on 26th December 2022. Out of these two projects one project got second prize at 17th Avishkar Maharashtra Inter University Round 2023. The students who secured prize are Ms. Nandini Patel, Vaibhavi Valencia, Melissa S. and Alifia B
- **Higher Education Review Top 10 Arts and Commerce Colleges -2023**

➤ **Highlights Activity - NEP Preparedness**

- In view of the proposed implementation of National Education Policy 2020, One Day seminar was organised along with Ramanand Arya DAV College (Autonomous) and University of Mumbai on 1st February 2023. The chief invitee for this seminar were present Acting Vice Chancellor of University of Mumbai, Dr. Digambar Shirke, Former Vice Chancellor of Savitribai Phule University Dr. Nitin Karmalkar, Acting Pro-Vice Chancellor of University of Mumbai Dr. Ajay Bhamare, Former Pro. Vice Chancellor of University of Mumbai Dr. R.D. Kulkarni, Educationist Dr. B.N. Jagtap and Eminent Educationist and Career Counsellor Shri Anand Mapuskar. This seminar was attended by 40 colleges and 150 total participants (85 External participants, 65 Internal)

- We successfully introduced Interdisciplinary courses to Foundation Course B.E. II at first year level in UG programmes.

Regular lecture and examinations were conducted as per the Academic Calendar.

➤ Festivals and Conference

Sl. No.	Date	Programme	Theme	No. participants
01	17 th September 2022	Chrysalis	Arundha- Skill Development and Entrepreneurship	500 students 100 colleges
02	19 th to 24 th December	Navaratri	Kaushtik Kail. Kaji aur Kail	All College Students
03	17 th January 2023	Gandharva	Kaizen - Upskilling through experiences	400 students 100 colleges
04	21 st January 2023	International Conference	'Skill Development and Entrepreneurship: sculling new horizons'	300 participants
05	20 th March 2023	Release of	Annual News Paper	-
Yuvashilpi college magazine is in process				

➤ Add on Courses and Bridge Courses

Following courses were organised throughout the year

Courses	Numbers	Participants
Add on courses	27	1161
Bridge courses	10	476
Certificate courses	03	134
Workshops	7	277
Total	47	2048

Psychology Department has initiated one year Diploma titled as "Fundamental in Psychology". In all 19 students have enrolled for the course

➤ Research Activities

- 9 Proposals for Internal Minor Research Projects for Academic Year 2022-2023 have been approved, by our Management.
- Total 38 articles have been published in UGC CARE Listed Journal.
- 22 articles have been published in Peer Reviewed Referred Journal
- 2 ICSSR Project proposals are sent to ICSSR on 14 October, 2022.

➤ Other Activities

- AQAR for the year 2021-22 was submitted on 16th December 2022
- 4 V. N. Bedekar Lectures were organised throughout the year.
- Divyangjan (Star students) Cell titled, 'Anulya' was established on 27th September 2022.

The intension behind establishment of this cell is to mobilise physically challenged students and to update them about welfare scheme of the Government for them. In all 58 students from Junior and Degree are part of this group

- In order to develop Khadi Culture the teachers are requested to wear Khadi on every Saturday. On this Republic Day teachers were given Khadi Jacket as a part of this initiative. One Charakha training workshop was organised for the studnets in which 15 students participating.
- Counselling cell has started Consultancy services in the year 2022-23 to provide mental health services to outside clients. So far 8 clients have taken benefit of this service. Consultancy services include personal counselling for various mental health concerns as well as guidance for overall growth and betterment. Similarly Legal Consultancy service is also initiated by the college
- Under the umbrella of Social Responsibility NSS Unit organised 10 days Community Involvement Programme at adopted Village, Takipathar wherein 20 Departments and 6 Committees participated. As an initiative of Departmental Social Responsibility, departments and committees designed teaching and awareness program focusing on school students as well as for villagers. Total 100 Volunteers participated
- From 16th to 18th January, Study Tour at Maharshi Parshuram College of Engineering, Velneshwar was organised in which 16 students along with 2 teachers participated.
- National and International Significant days Days like Constitution Day, Human Rights Day, Savitribai Phule Jayanti, Minority Rights Day, मातृ राज भाषा गौरव दिन, Indian Navy Day, World Investors Awareness week, Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, Yuva Din, Start Up day, National Tourism Day, Martyrs Day, Hindi Day, Sanskrit Day, NSS Day were celebrated.
- Various departments organised activities like guest lectures, competitions, workshops, screening of Documentaries and movies etc.
- Dr. V.N. Bedekar state level Debate Competition held on 20th February 2023.

- **Innovative Extension and Research Activity through CSR fund at Mokhada**
The college has initiated Extension and Research activity by undertaking a project titled 'Self-empowerment' through Micro-enterprises for Sustainable Development. An Action oriented Project at Villages of Mokhada G.P in the month of June 22 with the CSR funds supported by Zuventus Health Care Ltd (Mumbai). The project is being implemented in collaboration with Parivartan Mahila Sanstha (NGO) and happy to place on record that Ms. Varsha Parchure active member of this NGO is our alumnus.

Under this Activity

- Survey was conducted in four villages of Mokhada
- 40 women beneficiaries in two groups (25,15) were identified for tailoring training
- Three months training was imparted to beneficiaries.
- Beneficiaries have started stitching variety of bags.
- College facilitated to put up stalls in college campus during Annual festival Navrang and in International Conference of Skill Development.
- College conducted training session on Health, hygiene, group dynamism in Mokhada.
- Distribution of water filter and sanitary napkins to beneficiaries at Mokhada to support their quality living

The Governing Body members appreciated the efforts taken by the college and the support of the management for the holistic development of the learners and the community at large.

- **Agenda No. 4.07: To inform about the submission of Annual Autonomy Report for the year 2022-2023** Vice-Prin. Mr. Subhash Shinde informed the Governing Body that the Annual Autonomy Report was duly submitted to U.G.C.-Delhi, UGC-WRO, Pune and University of Mumbai for the year 2021-2022.

- **Agenda No. 4.08: To seek permission for increasing 10% seats at First Year level in all Programmes of UG and PG for the Academic Year 2023-24 as per the guidelines of the University of Mumbai.**

Vice-Prin.Mr. Subhash Shinde sought the permission of the esteemed members for 10% increase of seats at First Year Level of all programmes in the academic year 2023-24 as per the guidelines of the University. During the discussion of this agenda Dr. Gajanan Wader pointed out that colleges have still not received any guidelines regarding the horizontal growth that is implementation of additional divisions for the various programmes. The members discussed the proposal and granted their approval for the same.

Resolution No.5

RESOLVED that the Governing Body unanimously approves the permission sought for increasing 10% seats at First Year level in all Programmes of UG and PG for the Academic Year 2023-24 as per the guidelines of the University of Mumbai

- **Agenda No. 4.09: To seek approval for the Examination Compendium prepared by the College.**

Principal Dr.Suchitra Naik informed the members about the Examination Compendium prepared by the college which provides detailed information about the rules and regulations of the Exams conducted and Evaluation process. The members were intimated about the implementation of Evaluation pattern of 60-40 after receiving the Autonomy status.

- **Agenda No. 4.10: To seek approval for the Policy for Persons with Disability (PWD) students and special provision made for *Divyang* students for Internal Examination.**

The Governing Body was informed by Prin. Dr. Suchitra Naik that the number of Special children (*Divyang* students) taking admission in different programmes has increased manifold. The college has initiated the Atulya Cell which caters to the varying needs of the Special children. Two teachers are exclusively designated as incharge especially for the 58 visually challenged students. Braille notifications in the campus, huge collection of books in Braille are some of the facilities provided to visually challenged learners. It was pointed out to the honourable members of the Governing Body that it has been a concern to provide writers for these students especially for Internal exams, hence it was decided to make special provision to change the mode of Internal exam and evaluation pattern that would suit the *Divyang* students.

The Governing Body acknowledged and appreciated the efforts taken by the institution to cater to the varying needs of *Divyang* students and granted wholehearted approval for the proposal. Dr. Gajanan Wader noted that this initiative could be showcased as one of the Best Practice of the institution.

Resolution No.6

- **RESOLVED** that the Governing Body unanimously approves the Policy for Persons with Disability (PWD) students and special provision made for *Divyang* students for Internal Examination.

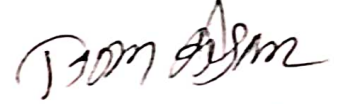
- **Agenda No. 4.11: To brief about the developments in respect with NEP-2020.**

It was informed to the members that this item was already discussed in the previous item pertaining to BoS meetings.

- **Agenda No. 4.12 Any other issue with the permission of the Chair.**
As the members felt that there was no other issue requiring immediate discussion, it was decided to end the meeting at this stage.
- **Agenda No. 4.13: To inform the Committee the date of next meeting.**
It was decided to hold the next meeting tentatively in the second week of April 2023.
- **Agenda No. 4.14: Vote of Thanks**
Vice Principal Mr. Subhash Shinde proposed the formal Vote of Thanks and expressed gratitude to all the members for their valuable suggestion and guidance in all the deliberations. With the permission of the Chair he declared the closure of the meeting of the Governing Body.



Dr. Suchitra Naik
Principal and Ex-officio Member



Dr. Vijay V. Bedekar
Chairman