

## **General Secretary's Report F.Y.B.Ed.**



### **A JOURNEY OF SELF CHANGE FOR BETTER - FUTURE GURUS FOR A BRIGHTER NATION!!**

It was a moment of excitement when we received the much awaited invitation for Orientation.....Yes! Our new venture was about to begin.

Our orientation was a general interaction between students and teachers. Principal Dr. Sally Enos, introduced us to the college and a few principles she followed- like create 25th hour, start early to achieve success, keep smiling and the story of Geese about its V formation denoting togetherness, leadership, teamwork, cooperation and coordination.

**“Do What You Love and;  
Love What You Do”**

Garba-Dandiya cultural fest was organized on the same day. We met our seniors and teachers informally and could sense the warmth and comfort we would get from them. The seniors welcomed us by conducting a Talent Show, wherein games were organised, juniors and seniors had performed dance, songs were sung and there was a surprise game conducted by the Principal...Oh! It was so much fun!

On the first day when our academic session began, we were introduced to various subjects, course structure and formal introduction of teachers.

### **Community Work**

The course structure included Community Work and Cultural Activity. We were grouped on the basis of residential proximity with 5-6 members in each group. The concept was quite new to us, and all of us had mixed emotions. We had a lot of questions as-what we are supposed to do? What to teach? Whom to teach? How to teach?...These curious minds, felt

opportune to cater to children who really deserve more attention from teachers. Each group had their own experiences to share about the same set of learners. In fact each experience groomed us and grounded us closer to reality.

Most of slum children at the Jeevan Jyoti Trust where we had begun our Community work were brilliant, however, were deprived of schooling or books or guidance, either their parents couldn't afford educating them or some didn't even realise the importance of education and thus kept the children away from schooling. Though we had a short span to learn and teach, the little ones' taught us lessons of life which we shall cherish for life.

### **Cultural Activities**

Another set of activity assigned to us was Cultural Activity, here too we followed the same group, and we celebrated occasions with great zeal and zest.

The days we celebrated were Students Day (15th October), National Educational Day (11th November), Children's day (14th November), World Kindness Day (13th November), World Aids Day (1st December), Human Rights Day (10th December).

We also celebrated Marathi Basha Diwas with great zeal and zest, the class was decked up in traditional Maharastrian attire with typical nose ring and semi-circle binds. Traditional inputs about history, dance and songs was performed.

**Student Council Election** was held on 6th November and complete **transparency** was maintained. It looked more like real election, wherein we had a black ballot box placed right in the centre on the dais. Every student had the right to vote for three candidates and their fingers were marked with black ink. The counting was done in front of the whole class. Every one participated in the process of counting the votes. The results were declared on the same day. The elected candidates were Ms. Deepa Vinod as General Secretary and Ms Elria Monteiro & Ms. Arshee Sayed as council members. Later the investiture ceremony was held, we were given badges and we took oath in front of the Principal, teachers and our classmates. It was a moment of pride and commitment.

**Pillai Education Alumni Association** meet was organized on 11th November 2017 and we were glad to be a part of the function. The Alumni were welcomed with great enthusiasm by performing classical dance, western dance and standing dance

performance by First and Second Year students.

### **Intercollegiate Competitions**

- ♦ The inter-collegiate fest of Mahatma Education Society- 'Uber rang' was announced and the class practised and participated in the audition for mime and a folk dance. Though we couldn't get through, the journey was worth it.
- ♦ Department of Special Education of SNDT Women's University had organized Poster making competition on the theme 'Seeing the Ability in Disability'. Many students from the class enthusiastically participated and made wonderful posters.
- ♦ Mahatma Education Society (MES) in Collaboration with Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL) observed "Vigilance Week" and organized an Inter-collegiate Elocution Competition on "My vision – Corruption Free India" on 3rd November 2017 at Pillai HOC College of Engineering (PHCET) , Rasayani. Ms. Abhiyanka Iyer bagged the 2nd prize and made all of us proud.
- ♦ Ms. Abhiyanka Iyer won the second position in the intercollegiate Ex-tempore competition in R. R. B. Ed. College, Mulund. A group of six students also participated in the Treasure Hunt competition at the same venue.
- ♦ Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education had conducted Innovative Teaching Strategies in collaboration with MES Pillai College and most of us had participated in it along with volunteering the whole exhibition. Ms. Padma Priya won the competition under the Science category.

### **Seminar:**

Seminar on Series 8: Environmental Re-engineering "Year of Sustainable Tourism" was held in the campus and we got an opportunity to participate and attend it. Few of us presented Paper on this day and experienced the talent and efforts required for the same. From first year Deepa Vinod and Radhika Dave presented paper on Ecotourism in Maharashtra – Green Army - under the guidance of Dr Bhavna Madam and Uma Mishra presented on Sustenance of the Local, Cultural and the Place Identity Values through Education under the guidance of Dr. Geeta R. Thakur's Madam's guidance.

### **Workshops:**

**11th Nov. 2017: Dr. Ram Chadha, MS (Orthopaedics)** from Apollo hospital, threw some

light on vitamin deficiency and issues related to bones as well he shared information as what to be done to improve the deficiency. Also a test was conducted to identify the calcium level.

**12th Nov. 2017: Ms. Dolly James** had conducted workshop on Gender sensitization, wherein, we were enlighten and awareness was created about **Transgender**, their agony and how they have fought for it and their story of survival.

**19th Dec. 2017: Designing Instructional Material or learning Resources** workshop by **Dr. Narendra D Deshmukh**. We were introduced with various types teaching aids and its effective utilization by Dr. Deshmukh.

**6th Dec. 2017: 3D Printer** was introduced to us by **Mr. Chandrakant**, and its effective usage in life of students and teachers.

**March 2018: Dr Gupteswar Rao**, conducted various sessions on Power Up, wherein, he said we want others to change for our happiness or to say, we are happy when others behave the way we want. However, change should be within oneself rather than seeking in others. Few of the quotes used during the session are as follows:

*"Change yourself if you want to Progress"*

*"Facing change can change everything"*

*"Accept change and transform"*

*"People who change with change will succeed"*

*"You got to believe, you are better than you think you are"*

*The above were few of the take aways of the session.*

### Picnic

9th March, 2018: The most awaited glory - a trip to Naigoan Beach, Alibaug, most of us grabbed the opportunity and to enjoy and have a blast, food was amazing, beach was beautiful and ambience was mesmerising. It was a day when teachers and students played around together by singing, dancing, eating, swimming and travelling.

### Sports

April 2018: Dr Geeta R Thakur had organised for various indoor sports like Chess, Carom, Table Tennis, and Badminton to stimulate the unused grey matter. Chess was tricky game, Carom game of practices and perfection, while Badminton and Table Tennis more of

physical and concentration game.

### **Academics**

During the course, we were introduced to different strategies of teaching-learning in a practical and beautiful manner. Dr. Bhavna Dave introduced Cooperative Learning techniques like 'Numbered Heads Together' while teaching Growth and Development in Late Childhood and Adolescence, Gallery Walk for teaching PNDT Act, and used drawing & colouring to teach Domestic Violence act. For better understanding of Self Concept, Dr Bhavna Dave had formed group and asked each one to call out a positive adjective for self. This was a play-way method used for effective learning to take place. Dr. Pratima Pradhan used jigsaw strategy to teach Activity Based Method whereas Dr. Geeta R. Thakur used Tree Diagram. One fine day, teachers dropped in and asked us to pick up chits, each for one group, and need to express it to the class in such a way that they are in position to decode it after three minutes or by the end of the description, the chits contained names like Charlie Chaplin, Painter, Balloon, Flower and Maggi. We all were amazed as what kind of assignment is it? Is it for fun or just to kill the time? However, very soon we realised the whole idea and the strategy, the underlying concept was to introduce various skill set to us in a very friendly manner where in individual skills are blossomed and each ones thinking, creative skills can be gauged.

Such different methodologies used by our teachers made us realise how we could implement teaching-learning in our classroom in an interesting and effective manner.

### **Understanding The Self:**

Understanding the Self, is the audit course for the first year, however, it was dealt with such intensity that it touched each one of us as the teaching had come from the heart to reach learners' heart. Each professor, made us dive deep within ourselves to know more about us, be compassionate to self, love oneself, respect and also give importance to ourselves. The whole concept was expressed through activities which definitely has been instilled within us and has helped us to grow as a better human being.

### **Extension Work:**

The extension work was based on Career Project and each one of us had participated with an intention to introduce new and upcoming avenues to the future of the nation, so that it

might help them to explore and venture a new path. We searched for information on various careers and designed posters and disseminated information in the different classes in our internship schools. We noted our reflections on the activity, submitted the extension reports and also wrote an essay on a social theme to complete the activity successfully.

**Internship:**

One after the other... workshops on objectives & specifications, content analysis, graphic organizers, teaching aids, micro skills, macro skills and simulated lessons... Yes! We were empowered with every possible tool & strategy to win the hearts of the children in our internship schools – so that we return with the virtue of victory of being an efficient teacher. A teacher on whom the future of the nation can rely on...We successfully completed our second semester Internship in the month of February and came back to college all happy and proud!!

**Deepa Vinod**  
**General Secretary**  
**(FY B.Ed 17-18)**

## **General Secretary's Report S.Y.B.Ed.**



**A Strong, Positive Self-Image is the best possible preparation for success in Life - (Dr Joyce Brothers)**

The academic year 2017-18 mostly concentrated on grooming ourselves for the set goal – becoming a good 'teacher'; to ensure that student's life goes well beyond question paper and bringing out the best in the students. I am exultant to present again my report for the year 2017-18. It will make you aware of the numerous ways we were prepared to achieve our goal and also succeed in self-realization.

Classes for the session 2017-18 commenced 14th June, 2017. A rousing welcome to 2nd year by Our Principal Ma'am Dr Sally Enos and Dr Bhavna Dave made us aware of the huge task lying ahead in this year. Details of the activities presented by me will show that we were educated with academic lessons as well as lesson in life. Major commissions included the Internship in schools and junior colleges, the Learner Competency Enhancement Programs (LCEP), action research and so on.

Grooming for our dream role

### **Club Activities**

Session 2017-18 started in full swing with various remarkable club activities which were conducted during the assembly. These included- Yoga by Mrs Bindu Tambe (health club), Growing 'Micro-greens' by Mrs Geeta S Thakur (Nature club), "Be Prepared Be Safe" by Dr Bhavna Dave (Women Development Cell), Presentation on "What India can learn from the Best in the World" (Global Citizenship Club) and "Panel Discussion on Corporal Punishment" (Anti-Ragging cell) By Dr Geeta.R.Thakur. These activities, conducted after the customary prayer song, had an aim to give us an idea of introducing new strategies for conducting an assembly and breaking the monotonous way of assembly that is instinctively followed in schools.

**International Yoga Day**

International Yoga Day was celebrated on 21st June 2017, with our guest expert, Mrs Rajalakshmi Rao. B.Ed students, M.Ed students and our teachers participated by performing simple asanas and pranayams.

**Talent Hunt & Welcome**

We welcomed the 1st years on 6th October, 2017 and we had a splendid time conducting the program. Welcome speech and Bollywood dances were presented by us and shayari, poem recitation as well as stand up dance was performed by the fresher's. This stage helped the first years to showcase their talents and could mingle with us easily thereafter. This program was anchored by Priyanka Srikumar and me.

**Internship**

Someone rightly said - "God places all the best things in life on the other side of fear." Though internship was most awaited by us, we had some anxiety of executing our planned activities in the real classroom situation. However the extremely vigorous training received from PCER, we geared up well for delivering our best in our internship.

This Internship was planned in three phases - 1st phase -13th November to 2nd December, 2017; 2nd phase- 13th December to 23rd December, 2017 and finally the third phase from 4th January to 13th January, 2018.

Initially, orientation to the internship was effectively planned and led by Dr Bhavna Dave in three phases conducted on 14th June, 27th June and 30th June, 2017. We were wonderfully trained and guided for theme based lessons, co-teaching with peer and shadow teacher, action research and also for career guidance project. Two models of teaching- Concept Attainment model (CAM) and Inquiry Training Model (ITM) was presented by us individually to get a hands on experience prior to final usage in schools.

We had an exceptional experience during our entire internship due to ingenious execution of new concepts and various methods of teaching pedagogy. Completion of tasks on time was our main target too. Motivation and firm decisions showered by our Principal ma'am,





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Bhavna ma'am (internship in charge) and pedagogy in charges, we consistently worked on inculcating and sharpening our core work ethics like punctuality, commitment, dedication, proper planning and execution of our plans effectively and avoid procrastination. Only after our internship did we realized that we are unique in ourselves and all of us delivered our best in the internship.

### **Constructing Learning Resources**

Learning resources are essential for any teaching learning process to be effective. Our institution organized few workshops on learning resources which provided us a hands on experience motivating us to prepare self-developed learning resources and not dependent on readymade resources. Workshop on the use of 3-D printing was conducted by Mr Chandrakant on 6th Dec 2017. This workshop made us aware of this new technology used to make learning resources.

Similarly on 19th Dec 2017, Workshop on Designing Instructional Material (IM)/ Learning Resources (LR) was organized by our college that was led by Dr Narendra Deshmukh from Homi Bhabha Science Centre, Mumbai. It aimed at delivering content knowledge and transferring it in an interesting way. On 13th Jan 2018, after the workshops on learning resources, Exhibition on Learning Resources was organized in our classroom, wherein all of us exhibited our self-made learning resources for our teachers as well as the FYB.Ed students.

In the very next month, we were again provided with an excellent opportunity to showcase our innovativeness and exposure to more types of teaching learning resources and techniques. Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, in collaboration with our college, PCER-Panvel, organized a Contest on "Innovative Teaching-Learning Practices in the classroom" on 27th February 2018. Shivangi Chaurasia, Yogita Patil, and Shweta Verma of S.Y. B.Ed participated in this contest by presenting their self-developed Teaching-Learning models in this occasion and remaining of us went to see the various modern learning resources developed and exhibited.

### **Placement Drive**

Immediately after our internship, a session on “Making a Resume” was conducted by Mrs Geeta S Thakur on 15th Jan 2018. Exceedingly valuable instructions were provided that helped us and motivated us to prepare our Biodata and Resume, accordingly at the right time in the right way.

The above activities were so ingeniously planned, that it unanimously benefited all of us. This is because immediately after these workshops, placement drive started off from 24th January, 2018. All the talks and workshop conducted helped us to enhance our confidence, prepare our CV and Bio data and face the interview board boldly and confidently. Schools from various areas in Navi Mumbai and Mumbai approached our institution for their recruitment drive. This drive helped 7 of us to secure the desired job as main teachers and assistant teacher in reputed institutes before completing our final year of B.Ed course in the month of March

### **Personality and Attitude Enhancement programs**

#### **Powering Ourselves with better choices**

The Course EPC-4 “Understanding the Self” was an extremely interesting, useful and effective course introduced by Mumbai University. Various interesting activities and sessions were conducted to help us to explore ourselves and break the shell we were in and dare to dream the best and face life's struggles and failures boldly and with positive attitude. Added activities included 4 days session (14th Feb, 15th Feb, 21st Feb, and 1st March, 2018) conducted by Dr Gupteswar Rao entitled: “Power Yourself Up'-Your Body Matters so also, your Mind too”. The session was based on William Glassier “s Choice Theory.

### **Grooming us for better social participation**

#### **Garba Dance**

An aura of exuberance was set while celebrating Garba Dance on 23rd Sept 2017 as all us were dressed in traditional Garba attire. Each one of us danced enthusiastically. Sanika Khade, Shweta Singh, Renu Sharma, Kanchan Sharma, Samiya Mujawar, Rashmi Solanki, Shakshi Borole, Shreya Singh and Krishna Acharya were awarded for Best Garba Attires and Best Dancers of the Day.



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### **Research Forum**

Improvement in working and learning environment can be achieved through research work. We SY B.Eds along with Mrs Bindu Tambe attended the MES Research forum on 27th September 2017. Ms Dakshayani Madangopal, CEO of Don Bosco Research Centre addressed on autonomy in research, innovative drives and aspect of collaborative research. She encouraged us to take up research in our future to learn and be more participating in social changes.

### **Replacing plastics**

Plastics being banned, increased the demand for bags made of cloth and papers or any other biodegradable materials. To be a part of the change, our institute decided to take up an activity of making paper bags from newspapers. This Paper Bag making activity was initiated by our Principal Dr Sally Enos and Mrs Geeta S Thakur. Our institution adopted a lady, named Mrs. Sarubai Gatpe, who owns a shop in Khanda Colony market. Sarubai Tai is regularly provided (every 15days) with different sizes of paper bag prepared by us. This activity initiated the awareness of paper bags among the market vendors and geared us to be a part of the Save the Environment Movement.

### **Vigilance Week-Elocution Competition**

MES in collaboration with Indian Oil Corporation limited (IOCL) organized an Inter-Collegiate Elocution Competition on the topic "My vision - Corruption- Corruption Free India. This competition was held on 3rd November 2017 at Pillai HOC College of Engineering, Rasayani. It was an honoured moment for us as Ms Sanjana Gandhi bagged the 1st prize for her presentation out of 30 participants.

### **Health Awareness**

Not only has our external environment needed our attention, our inner environment i.e. our body too need attention and shouldn't be overlooked. Catering to our health issues, especially our musculoskeletal system, a session entitled "Is your work a pain in the neck", was organized by our institution. This was led by Dr Ram Chaddha (Spine Surgeon, Apollo Hospital) accompanied by Dr Kavita Puri and Miss Anchal Gupta, from Good Health

Foundation on 11th Nov 2017. They revealed about how we can manage neck and back pain and various common ailments of musculoskeletal system. This was followed by a test on our bone density. Reports of the tests were provided to each one of us immediately.

### **Alumni Meet**

Alumni Meet was organized on 11th November 2018. F.Y.B.ED and S.Y.B.ED students presented colourful dances, poem recitation songs and games to entertain the Alumni's. We came to know what role they are currently playing and how successful they were after passing out from PCER, Panvel.

### **National level Seminars**

National Seminar on Environmental Re-Engineering, Series-8 - "Year of Sustainable Tourism", was organized on December 9th, 2017 wherein Sanjana Gandhi presented a paper and Annu Binoy Joseph published a paper.

National Seminar on Integrating Library System and Services for Quality Education was organized on 13th April 2018. We acquired knowledge about various online resources and how we can use library systems in enhancing quality of education in institutions.

### **Gender Sensitization**

To sensitize us towards the marginalized a session on "Gender Sensitization" was organized on 12th Dec, 2017. This session was led by Mrs Dolly James and her team from Navjeevan NGO, Mumbai. Mrs Dolly explained the concept of Sex and gender and briefed us about LGBTIQ, transgender reintegration program of their Navodaya movement and problems faced by transgenders in India.

### **A day with the less privileged**

As a part of Community Day program, on 27th January 2018, 17 children from Balgram (Khanda Colony) were taken to Pillai College of Engineering, New Panvel. Volunteers Kanchan Sharma, Puja Pushp, Renu Sharma and Annu B Joseph along with our professors, Dr Bhavna Dave, Dr Pratima Pradhan, Dr. Geeta R Thakur and Mrs Bindu Tambe conducted

various sports to cheer these children. Lunch, snacks and gifts were showered on them so that they returned to their home satisfactorily and happily and we all experienced the joy of giving.

On the same day, Rashmi Solanki participated in Solo dance on Bolly-Hiphop in UBER-RANG Festival.

### **UDAAN Festival**

S.Y.B.ED students participated enthusiastically in "UDAAN Festival 2018" on 30th January, 2018. 15 students participated in a skit, which was scripted by us, under the guidance of Mrs Bindu Tambe. The skit was entitled as "Ek Kaur , Ek Zindagi". Our skit bagged the "Consolation Prize". Miss Susan Thomas participated in the poster competition and the rest participated in the essay competition conducted by DLLE of Mumbai University.

### **Inter-Collegiate Essay Competition**

Hansraj Jivandas College of Education, Khar, Mumbai, conducted an Inter Collegiate Essay completion 2017-18. Yogita Patil, Annu B Joseph, Renu Sharma and Sanika Khade participated in the competition. Yogita Patil bagged the 1st prize (Marathi category) in this completion.

### **Marathi Divas**

Marathi Divas was celebrated colourfully on 26th February 2018 together with FYB.EDs. Various Marathi songs, poems readings and dances were presented together with FYB.ED friends.

### **International Womens day**

Women power was celebrated as International Women's Day on 27th February 2018 by Soroptomist International Society, Chembur, Mumbai. Pillai Institute felicitated Ms Shaheen Mistri (Teach for India CEO and Akansha Co-Founder) with Soroptimist Excellence Award at Pillai College Auditorium, New Panvel. All SYB.ED students attended this program and gained knowledge about Teach for India Program.

**Consumer Awareness**

Workshop on Consumer guidance was conducted on 5th March 2018 led by Mrs Prachi Maykar and Mr Pratik Mishra from Consumer Guidance Society of India. They made us aware about various consumer rights, various courts where we can approach, financial literacy and various investment options that can be very advantageous in attaining our financial goals.

**Picnic**

We not only attended workshops and seminars to groom ourselves, we enjoyed with FYB.EDs by going for a picnic to Naogaon Beach Resort on 9th February, 2018. Our teachers and our Principal ma'am accompanied us for the trip. We had a rejuvenating experience and we gathered more enthusiasm to attend our class test 2 on Monday, i.e. on 12th February 2018. As our portions and tests were completed well ahead and our semester 4 exam scheduled in the month of May, we went off for a study leave after our class test.

All the above activities moulded us into a different individual and also our attitudes changed. We became more matured and were able to realize the importance of the power in ourselves. We learnt that we need to take care of ourselves first to change our attitude to survive peacefully, successfully and beneficially in the society and among children. Though our yesterdays are lost between sunrise and sunset, our sweet memories of yesterdays in PCER will last a lifetime. As we now open the door of the future to start a new chapter in our life; I, along with my classmates, want to thank heartily to all our teaching and nonteaching staffs and especially, Principal ma'am for everything we were showered with. Best wishes to all and hope the coming years are even more glorious for PCER, Panvel. I also wish all my dear friends good luck; may all be showered with abundant opportunities and have a bright and blessed future. God Bless!

**Annu Binoy Joseph**  
**General Secretary (2016-18)**