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It is a pleasure to present the HVD Bulletin, the official newsletter of IQAC. This edition reflects our ongoing efforts toward quality enhancement and institutional excellence. During the year, IQAC conducted the Academic Audit, introduced Standard Operating Procedures, and prepared a Five-Year Strategic Plan to strengthen academics, research, and infrastructure. Training and capacity-building sessions were also organized to promote professional growth. The HVD Bulletin highlights our initiatives and achievements that drive continuous improvement. I thank the Principal, faculty, and IQAC members for their constant support and teamwork in this journey toward excellence.

Warm regards,

Dr. Yashodhan Mithare

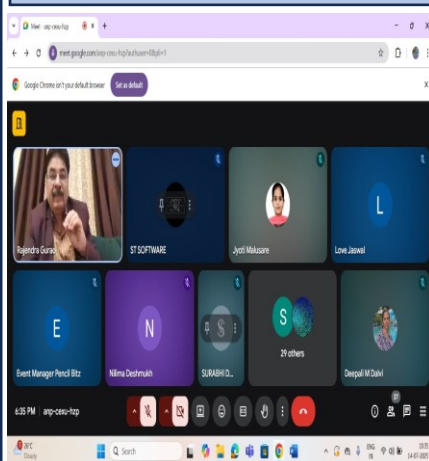
Placement Drive with Astrastack Technology, Pune

The Placement Cell of Haribhai V. Desai College hosted an exciting Placement Drive with Astrastack Technology, Pune on 9th July 2025. Guided by TPO Mr. Sammarth Ambekar and Prof. Rashmi Dhobale, the event opened doors for students to step confidently into the corporate world. From CV screenings to personal interviews, the drive gave students a real taste of recruitment life! With 17 enthusiastic participants, the session not only offered



internship and job opportunities but also helped students refine their communication, confidence, and professionalism. The day ended on a high note — with students feeling more career-ready and motivated. A proud moment for the Placement Cell, marking another successful stride in shaping future professionals!

Securing the Future: 5-Day FDP on Cybersecurity



The Department of Computer Studies, in collaboration with PENCIL BITZ, organized a Five-Day Online Faculty Development Program (FDP) on "Cybersecurity" from 14th to 18th July 2025. Coordinated by Asst. Prof. Deepali M. Dalvi, the program aimed to enhance faculty expertise in key areas like data protection, ethical hacking, AI in cybersecurity, and network security. Renowned speakers from reputed institutions, including ST Software Solutions,

Amrita School of Artificial Intelligence, and SRM Institute of Science and Technology, shared deep insights into emerging cybersecurity challenges and technologies. With 51 active participants, the FDP offered an enriching blend of theory, real-world applications, and interactive sessions—empowering educators to strengthen their digital defense skills and inspire cyber awareness in academia.

Mind Over Media: PPT Compilation Competition on Guru Pournima



The Department of Computer Studies, in collaboration with ZEP Foundation, organized a PPT Compilation Competition on 16th July 2025 to celebrate Guru Pournima. Students from T.Y.B.Sc (Computer Science) and T.Y.B.C.A (Science)

presented on topics like digital detox, social media, mindfulness, and productivity. With 12 participants, the event offered a creative platform for insightful discussions on digital well-being. Coordinated by Ms. Vaishali Sabde and Ms. Shubhada Litke, the competition concluded with the declaration of the Top 3 winners.

Guest Lecture on Unlocking Careers in Microbiology & Beyond

Resource Person : Ms. Vaishnavi Patole, Asst. Editor, Springer Nature Technology Solutions. (Alumni) Date: 22nd July 2025. Organizing Department: Department of Microbiology (PG)



As a part of 'Induction Program 2025' a Guest Lecture on Unlocking Careers in Microbiology & Beyond by Ms. Vaishnavi Patole, Asst. Editor, Springer Nature Technology Solutions was organized for students of Microbiology on 22nd July 2025 at 11.30 am.

Ms. Vaishnavi Patole, an alumna of the Microbiology Department, shared her experiences as a student in the college. She encouraged students to take up various projects, internships, and field work during their graduate and postgraduate studies. She emphasized the importance of acquiring various practical skills. She talked about various career avenues in Microbiology and other fields. Ms. Vaishnavi interacted with the students and motivated them to pursue various opportunities in research, the healthcare industry, and the Civil services.

The Department of Microbiology (PG) organized a Bridge Course 2025 from 23rd to 28th July 2025 to support M.Sc. I students in smoothly transitioning to postgraduate studies. Coordinated by Ms. Sudha M. Adya, the eight-hour course focused on revising key concepts in Microbiology, covering topics such as Microbial Systematics, Biochemistry, Instrumentation, Research Methodology, and Biostatistics.

Bridging Minds: Bridge Course 2025 in Microbiology



Resource persons Ms. Sudha M. Adya, Dr. Mukund Ambawade, Dr. Suchitra Patil, and Dr. Jyotsana Dixit guided 15 participants through engaging sessions that strengthened their foundational knowledge and boosted their academic confidence. The program successfully bridged the gap between undergraduate learning and postgraduate expectations, preparing students for the challenges of advanced studies in Microbiology.

Guardians of the Green Coast: Celebrating Mangrove Conservation Day

The Department of Environmental Science marked the International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem on 28th July 2025 with the theme "Protecting Wetlands for Our Future." A captivating documentary on the Sundarbans mangroves was screened, showcasing their vital role in protecting coastlines, sustaining biodiversity, and supporting communities. With 38 enthusiastic participants, the event inspired awareness about the urgent need to conserve these "green guardians" of our planet and encouraged students to take active steps toward environmental preservation.



Shaping Futures: Career Management Essentials Workshop



The Faculty of Humanities organized a dynamic workshop titled "Career Management Essentials" on 29th July 2025, in collaboration with IBM Skill Build and Pratham InfoTech Foundation. Coordinated by Ms. Chetana Adatiya, the session aimed to enhance students' career planning, communication, and job-readiness skills. Guest experts Mr. Ashish and Mr. Chaitanya Chunnadi shared valuable insights on interview preparation, career mapping, and professional growth. With 25 enthusiastic participants, the workshop empowered students with the tools and confidence needed to excel in today's competitive job market.

From Campus to Corporate: Alumni Interaction with Ms. Muskan Shaikh

The Department of Computer Studies organized an insightful Alumni Interaction Session on 25th July 2025 in Classroom 105, coordinated by Ms. Shailaja N. Gujarathi along with committee members Ms. Shubhadaa Litke, Ms. Ruta Vaidya, and Mr. Ramesh Rodalbandi. The guest speaker, Ms. Muskan Shaikh, a proud alumna and HR Executive at Coherent Market Insights, shared valuable guidance on resume writing, personal branding, and interview readiness.



She highlighted the dos and don'ts of crafting a professional resume and emphasized the importance of customizing resumes for different job roles. Over 110 students participated enthusiastically, engaging in an interactive Q&A session that helped them refine their resumes and boost their confidence for upcoming placements. The session not only provided practical industry insights but also strengthened the bond between alumni and students — a true reflection of learning beyond classrooms.

"Once a student, always an inspiration."