

# Department of Life Long Learning And Extension (DLLE)



The Department of Life Long Learning & Extension (DLLE) has been recognized as a statutory department of the University of Mumbai since 1994. It aims to promote a sustained rapport between the University and the Community. The Extension dimension of the Department facilitates the sensitization of the students to the socio-cultural realities. The department offers extension work projects encompassing social issues to the students.

The Department of Life Long Learning & Extension (DLLE) of our college started the enrollment of students from the month of June and it enrolled a total of 210 students for the academic year 2014-15.

The Department is spearheaded by Prof. (Ms) Shami Nimgulkar-Kamble (Economics Department) and two most enthusiastic teachers Prof. Mahendra Pachadkar (Commerce Department) and Prof (Mr) Sandeep Gupta (Mathematics & Statistics Department). To ensure efficiency in the execution of the extension work and to assist the teachers in the work involved, the extension activity of the Student Managers was felt

pivotal. The pillars of the department (Student Managers) were: Kothari Devang, Bhandari Devika, Chauhan Vishal, Chaurasia Khushboo, Lohia Navratna, Jain Praful, Jain Dimple, Khathuria Riddhesh and Kamliya Stuti. The Department was inaugurated at the hands of Principal Dr. N.N.Pandey and Vice-Principal Prof Shekhar Chandratre.

The Department this year enrolled students under extension work project titled 'Survey of Women's Status'. The purpose of this project is to make the students sensitized about the problems faced by women & to generate a sense of realization among students to be a contributory factor towards their empowerment. Our students conducted a survey of women in the age group of 15 – 35 years. They interviewed 25 to 50 women each in the areas chosen under the project. These projects thus provide a forum for exchange of ideas, innovations, amassing knowledge and provide a chance to increase the representative voice of those traditionally under-served and ignored in society.

The Extension work teachers attended:







- The First Term Training Programme at St. Teresa Institute of Education, Santacruz on 16<sup>th</sup> August.
- The Second Term Training Programme at Vidyarthi Vidyapeeth Bhavan, Churchgate on 29<sup>th</sup> November.

Our Field Coordinator Dr. Sujata Dhopte addressed & guided our extension students in both the terms. Her valuable guidance helped the students in completing their project work. As a part of the project work, students have also written essays of about 1500 words each on an array of social issues.

**One Day Mega Medical Check-Up & Distribution Campaign:** Our extension students participated in the One Day Mega Medical Check-Up & Distribution Campaign organized by our college at Osarvira- A tribal village in Palghar District. This campaign had twin objectives -

- To enable students understand the socio-economic realities of the under-privileged
- To train students to grow up as responsible citizens without a self-centered worldview.

As a part of this initiative, our extension students donated clothes, school bags, notebooks, utensils, toys etc. Two medical practitioners were assisted by our extension students in carrying out the Medical Check - Up Campaign. To instill the qualities of research among our students, we also undertook a research project to assess the Socio-Economic Status of the Tribals in the said village. Our students also assisted the local people of that village in construction of roads, water conservation and harvesting projects and land leveling projects.

**Accolades won:** We are proud to state that our college won the Consolation prize at inter-collegiate skit competition – UDAAN – 'A Flight to Extension' organized by the The Department of Life Long Learning & Extension (DLLE), University of Mumbai on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015 at Thakur College, Kandivali. Our skit titled 'Stree Purush Samanta', performed at the UDAAN festival conveyed a strong social message of gender sensitization. Our Drama Director - Mr. Rahul Balekundri was the driving force in polishing the acting skills of our budding extension actors. Our extension work actors – Kothari Devang, Bhandari Devika,

Rajpurohit Pooja, Shaikh Faiziyahbanu, Shah Darshan, Kulkarni Mukti, Chauhan Vishal, Kamliya Stuti, Jain Dimple, Lokapur Rohit, Kothari Shubham, Kusumbiwal Pinki, Kesur Payal, Parihar Chandan, Khathuria Riddhesh and Choumal Katik received words of appreciation from both the audience as well as the judges. The college felicitated their efforts and dedicated perseverance by awarding them cash prize on the occasion of Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony which was conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> February.

Two extension students - Kesur Payal from FYBCom Div C won the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize at Nail Art Competition and Parihar Chandan from FYBCom Div D won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize at Stand - Up Comedy Competition at inter-collegiate Competition 'Elysium' organized by Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension, B. L. Amlani College on 12<sup>th</sup> January.

Ms Devika Bhandari (TYBCom Div A), Mr. Devang Kothari (TYBCom Div D) and Mr. Vishal Kothari (TYBCom Div A) were awarded the "Best Student Managers" for the year 2014-15 by the college.

A camp on 'Monitoring & Evaluation' of Extension work projects was organized by The Department of Life Long Learning & Extension, University of Mumbai at Vidya Vikas College, Malad (W) on 6<sup>th</sup> April.

The Department is grateful for all the help and support provided by the Management, Principal Dr. N.N. Pandey, teaching and the non-teaching staff.

**Prof. Shami Nimgulkar-Kamble**  
Chairperson

