



## MAHATMA EDUCATION SOCIETY'S PILLAI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & RESEARCH NEW PANVEL

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### PROUD MOMENTS

Our college, MES' Pillai College of Education and Research, New Panvel was the recipient of the Best College Award of

the year 2021 and the Best Research Award for the year 2021. It was a moment of great pride for all of us.



Our beacon of light Dr. Sally Enos added another feather to the cap by receiving the ICONIC PRINCIPAL AWARD on 23rd December 2021.

Another moment to cherish and cheer – Kudos to Asst. Prof. Dr. Bhavna Dave for receiving the IARDO RISING STAR AWARD FOR BEST PERFORMER IN EDUCATION.



#### *Carrying on further - Congratulations students!*

Essay-writing Competition on the topic "Role of Income Tax in Nation Building" on 161 INCOME TAX DAY CELEBRATIONS ON 24.07.2021

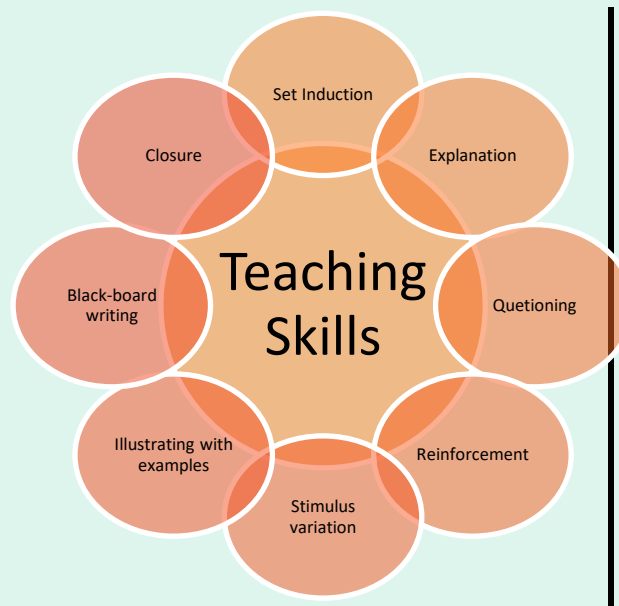
- Raffelia Fonseca (M.Ed.) secured 1<sup>st</sup> position
- Kiranjyot (B.Ed.) secured 2<sup>nd</sup> position
- Jyoti Sharma (B.Ed.) secured third position

Kiranjyot also secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the elocution competition organized by TES' Sarada Kurup College of Education & Research, Ghansoli.

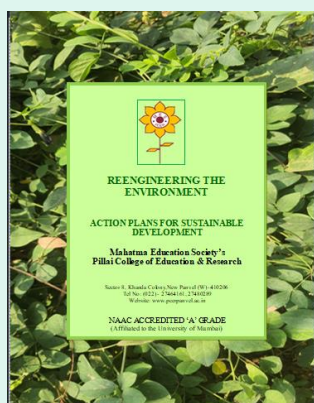
## Value added Certificate course on Teaching skills

A value-added Certificate course on Teaching skills module 1 and 2 was conducted from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 for the students to understand the nuances of teaching. There were demonstration lessons by teacher educators followed by group work and presentation by student teachers.

Eight different skills were taught to them. Writing statements for objectives and specifications, content analysis along with concept/content mapping, integration of core-elements and values and integration of all the skills was the highlight of the course.



## Re-Engineering the Environment

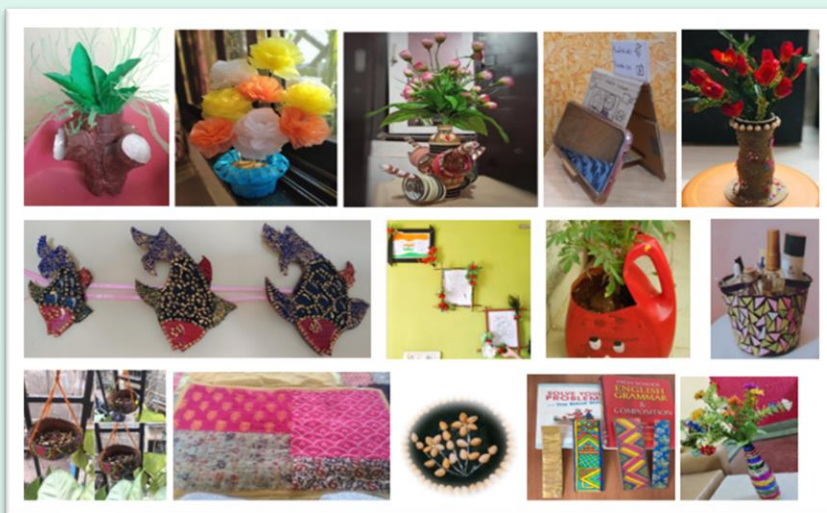


For the last 10 years, seminars on issues of environmental protection and conservation had been conducted and its proceedings have been brought out in the form of a book. Due to pandemic situation, the institution could not conduct these seminars and hence this year an environment project was taken up by the students wherein they reviewed Environment sustaining action plans which individuals and societies had taken up to provide positive changes in the environment. These action plans were compiled in the form of a book titled **“Re-engineering the Environment”**

## CELEBRATION OF DAYS

### World Environment Day:

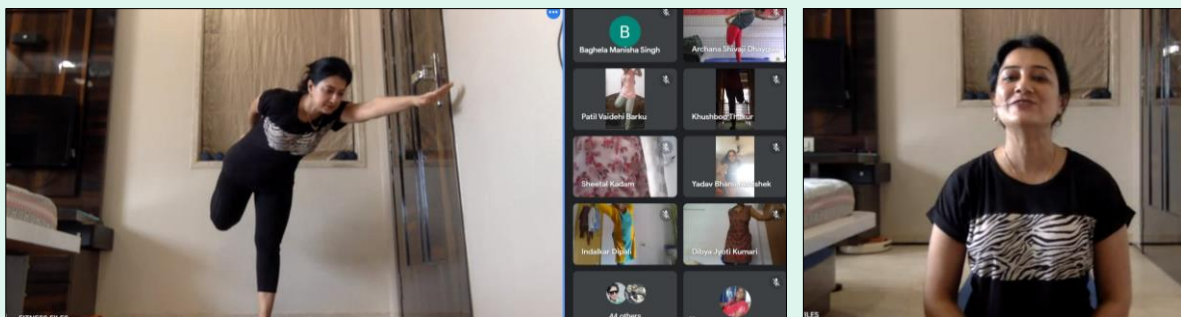
On account of World Environment Day, observed every year on 5<sup>th</sup> June, Nature club of PCER organized a competition. The theme of the competition was Restoring waste. The student teachers created articles from waste which were of utility value. The response was enormous, and the outcome was a treat for our eyes.





**International Yoga Day** was celebrated on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021 preceded by a week-long online Yoga session to raise awareness on the many benefits of practicing yoga. Yoga is important to keep our mind, body and spirit

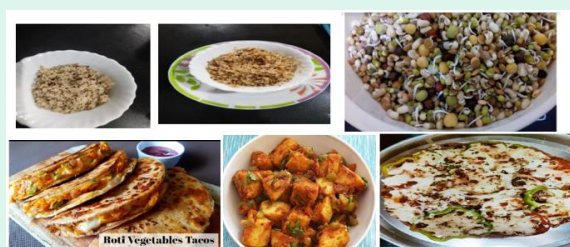
in good shape. The resource person was Ms. Bharati Iyer who engaged us into different breathing exercises and postures. Students found the session extremely useful and refreshing.



**International Friendship-day:** “Sharing the human spirit through friendship” the theme of the International Friendship-day celebrated on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The student teachers were encouraged to share feelings, emotions, experiences, incidents, care and concern they gave and received from their friends in the form of *Literary Expressions*. Creative write-ups or poems were the mode through which the student teachers had to submit their expressions.



**International Youth Day:** On 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021, International Youth Day was celebrated keeping in mind the theme decided upon the United Nations “Transforming Food Systems – Youth Innovations and Planetary Health”. The student teachers were asked to make a list of all the tips they follow at home to preventing food wastage. They were also asked to take a pledge to become food systems heroes.



**Organ Donation Day:** We at PCER, observed the Organ Donation Day on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021 by organizing a talk on organ donation awareness. The theme of the talk was “From Dust to Life” and the guest speaker was Ms. Jaya Jairam, Project Head Mohan Foundation, Mumbai. Following the talk, an intercollegiate poster making competition was also organized.



## BROADENING PERSPECTIVES

As a commitment to the MoU signed with The Baha'i Academy,

Panchgani, we were elated to be a part of their initiative Global Unity Campaigners. This Global Network for teachers provided a great chance for our student teachers to connect with people from different countries as well as attend the sessions of UN days.

The student teachers participated conducted activities and submitted reports on those activities. The various themes in which they

### Global Unity Campaigners

participated were *Observance of the International Day of Families - 14th May 2021, Observance of the UN International Youth Day 11th August 2021, Observance of the UN International Day of Friendship, 2021, Global Unity Campaigners (2) World Environment Day, 2021.* The articles are uploaded on the official blog of Baha'i Academy. <https://www.bahaiacademy.org/bahaiacademy/showblog.php?id=3>

### Understanding Child Sexual Abuse & Personal Safety Education Program

On 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021, a half day training on Understanding Child Sexual Abuse & Personal Safety Education Program was organized by Pillai Group of Institutions. with ARPAN, an NGO working towards educating children and adults about personal safety.

The content and learning of the training were beyond the academic curriculum



focusing on gaining knowledge, skills, and a positive attitude to reach out to children, families, and communities at large. We signed an MoU with Arpan and as a part of our collaboration the student teachers, during their internship program, disseminated information among the school children.

### Certified Mentorship program

Cognitive and natural ability assessment (CONAT) is a 60-minute assessment to scientifically measure the Cognitive Abilities and Natural Learning Strengths of Students. The assessment numerically measures cognitive ability factors like Focus, Decision Making Ability, Creativity, Dynamic IQ termed as natural ingredients for success in life in general.

The student teachers and alumni of PCER were given an opportunity to become certified CONAT Mentors. The introductory session was open to all the student teachers as well as the alumni of PCER. To become mentors, students had to attend training sessions which was on voluntary basis. Few students went ahead with the training to successfully become certified CONAT Mentors.

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