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# PILLAI EDUCATION ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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### **Community initiative...**

Our 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023 members of our alumni Ms. Deepa Vinod and Ms. Komal Jaiswal participated in the Diwali Sweet packing activity organized by Bharat Vikas Parishad. The event has turned out into a yearly practice to express our deep heartfelt gratitude to our brave soldiers who stay away from their families during all the major festivals guarding the Indian borders and keeping us feeling safe and secure. The event nurtures a feeling of gratitude and servitude towards those people who are selflessly serving our beloved nation.





During the year 2023-24, the Rotary Club of Pen, under the visionary leadership of Secretary Ms. Madhubala Nikam, implemented a wide range of impactful activities in Pen Taluka, Raigad District. Highlights from the extensive portfolio of initiatives she spearheaded include:





On 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024, Pillai Education Alumni Association contributed Rs. 30,000 towards the school fees of 2 students studying in St. Andrews International School and Jr. College based in Panvel. The students are the inmates of Immanuel Mercy Home, an organization committed towards the cause of rehabilitation and education of the destitute.

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#### Reconnect, Reflect, Renew: The Alumni Meet 2023'

On December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, the Pillai Education Alumni Association hosted a joyous Alumni Meet, reunifying former students and faculty in a celebration of nostalgia and achievement. The student teachers of PCER extended a warm welcome to the esteemed alumni, showcasing their creative talents through captivating skit and dance performances. The event also served as a platform for the college to honor its outstanding achievers. The top performer from the B.Ed. batch of 2021-23 was felicitated, recognizing their academic



excellence and dedication to the field of education. The Alumni Meet proved to be a wonderful opportunity for reconnecting, sharing experiences, and strengthening the bonds between alumni, faculty, and current students. The event fostered a sense of community and pride, highlighting the accomplishments and impact of the Pillai College of Education and Research family."

## Awards and Recognitions





We are proud to share that our alumni, <u>Mrs. Nutan</u> <u>Khan</u> was appointed as the Vice Principal of Arqam English School CBSE Taloja phase II and <u>Mrs Minal Malaye</u> B.Ed. (2011- 2012) got promoted to the position of Vice Principal at Lead



School. Mangaon. This achievement is a testament to their dedication, hard work, and leadership skills. Their commitment to education and passion for empowering students will undoubtedly inspire and motivate the next generation of learners. Their appointment as leaders is a shining example of the impact our alumni have on the educational landscape

It is with great pleasure that we announce a significant achievement by <u>Ms. Yogita Patil</u> and her other two associates Dr. Rupendra Gaikwad, and Mr. Namit Bhatnagar. Their innovative Feedback System of RTCCS has been granted a patent, as published in the Patent Official Journal on  $21^{st}$  June 2024. This groundbreaking system enables colleges to collect student feedback on teachers, paving the way for improved

teaching methods and an enhanced learning experience. We congratulate these visionaries on their remarkable contribution to the education sector, which is sure to have a profound impact on the lives of students and teachers alike.

We are beaming with pride as, **Ms. Mohini Bishnoi**, has received the prestigious Reliance Foundation Teacher Award for her outstanding performance in the CENTA Teaching Professionals' Olympiad (TPO). Her remarkable achievements include:

- Global top 10 percentile ranking with an impressive score of 95.58 percentile in the International Teachers Olympiad (ITO)
- A \$1200 scholarship for the Master's in Education program at the International Teachers University, USA
- Top 10 rank holder in Mathematics and overall rank of 107 in the CENTA Teaching Professional Olympiads (TPO)
- Perfect scores in Conceptual Understanding, Principle of Assessment Design, and Written Communication (25/25)

Ms. Bishnoi's exceptional performance is a testament to her dedication, hard work, and passion for teaching. We celebrate her success and recognize her as a shining example of excellence in education.







We are thrilled to announce that, **Ms. Reshma Sudhir**, has been honored with the prestigious 'Best Teacher' award at Indo Scots School, Roadpali! Along with that she was also promoted to the post of Department in-charge, Pre-primary section at Indo Scots School.

These accolade is a testament to her dedication, hard work, and passion for education. Ms. Sudhir's commitment to shaping young minds and inspiring her students has earned her this well-deserved recognition and position. We are

incredibly proud of her achievement and celebrate her success as a shining example of the impact our alumni are making in the field of education.

**Mr. Rajesh Kumar's** tireless efforts to promote Indian Handicrafts and empower Indian Artisans have garnered widespread recognition and praise. Under his visionary leadership and expert guidance, Asha Handicrafts has achieved remarkable success and growth. A sought-after expert in his field, Mr. Kumar has been a



regular guest speaker at NIFT, Kharghar, and was honored to inaugurate the National Gift Expo in Bengaluru on September 7, 2023, representing Fair Trade Forum India. His dedication to promoting fair trade practices and celebrating Indian craftsmanship continues to inspire and make a meaningful impact in the industry

Adding another feather to his cap, **Mr. Rajesh Kumar** won USD 10000 in an Elevated pitch writing competition in Cincinnati, Ohio. Proceeds of the event went towards a charity working for Anti Human trafficking.



#### Fostering a Connection...

Pillai College of Education and Research, New Panvel, maintains a dedicated WhatsApp group to keep our alumni informed about placement opportunities. Through this platform, we regularly share valuable information and updates, ensuring our alumni stay connected and informed. Moreover, our alumni actively contribute to the placement cell's efforts, voluntarily helping to disseminate relevant information and supporting the success of their peers. This collaborative spirit and commitment to community are truly valued and appreciated.

No distance of place or lapse of time can lessen the friendship of those who are thoroughly persuaded of each other's worth. ~Robert Southey

Together we can...

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