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Thank You Alumni, for Strengthening Our NAAC Journey!!

The academic year 2024–25 has been a remarkable period in the journey of Pillai College of Education and Research, Panvel. As we underwent the 2nd Cycle of Assessment and Accreditation on 29th and 30th July 2024, the support and presence of our alumni played a deeply meaningful role. We are proud to share that PCER Panvel has been reaccredited with an A+ grade, securing a CGPA of 3.32. This achievement reflects the collective effort of our faculty, students, management, and equally, our alumni who continue to be our strength beyond the classroom.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the alumni who returned to campus to interact with the NAAC Peer Team. Your honest reflections, insights, and enthusiasm showcased the enduring impact of your



learning experiences at PCER Panvel. Your presence added value to the visit and contributed significantly to this successful outcome. Thank you for staying connected, for believing in your alma mater, and for standing with us as we continue to grow and strive for excellence. Your support inspires us to move forward with renewed commitment and pride.

A New Achievement: PCER Panvel Secures Autonomous Status!!

The Pillai Education Alumni Association (PEAA) is delighted to celebrate a milestone that marks a new era for our alma mater. In August 2025, Pillai College of Education and Research, Panvel, was conferred Autonomous Status by the University Grants Commission (UGC). Autonomy will empower PCER-Panvel to design forward-looking curricula, innovate in teaching–learning practices, and create programmes

that are more responsive to the evolving needs of the education sector. This milestone reinforces the value of the education, values, and experiences that our alumni carry into their professional lives. As PCER Panvel embarks on this exciting new chapter, the PEAA family celebrates alongside it—proud of the past we share and inspired by the future that lies ahead.

A Proud Milestone for the Pillai Family

Pillai Group of Institutions Becomes Pillai University!!

We are also elated to share another important development with our alumni community. The Pillai Group of Institutions, the foundation of our shared academic journey, has officially been recognized as Pillai University, a State-Recognized Private University. This historic achievement marks a new chapter for the larger Pillai family. While the Education discipline, including PCER–Panvel, is not yet a part of the newly formed university structure, we

are hopeful and confident that this integration will happen in the near future. As we continue our work with the same spirit and excellence, we look forward to becoming a part of this expanding academic landscape.



Community initiative...

Alumni Contribution to “Sainikho Tumchyasathi” Initiative: This year, the alumni extended their heartfelt support to Bharat Vikas Parishad’s initiative “Sainikho Tumchyasathi” by contributing ₹18,509. The funds were used to prepare and send Diwali gift boxes to soldiers stationed at the borders—an expression of gratitude towards



those who protect the nation while being away from their families during festivals.

In addition to the monetary contribution,



alumni members Dr. Geeta Thakur, Ms. Shreekala Unnikrishnan, Ms. Asmita Galande, and Ms. Akhila Nair volunteered in the Diwali sweet-packing activity on 22nd September 2024. Their hands-on participation added warmth and sincerity to the gesture. This growing annual tradition not only supports our soldiers but also nurtures a deep sense of appreciation and service within the alumni community.



Reconnect, Reflect, Renew: The Alumni Meet 2023'



College of Education and Research, New Panvel. Anchored by Ms. Manju Vinish and Ms. Shruti Nair, the event brought alumni together to reconnect and celebrate.

On October 19th, 2024, the Pillai Education Alumni Association (PEAA) hosted its Alumni Meet at MES' Pillai



After a warm welcome, the B.Ed. students presented vibrant dance performances, and two alumnae — Ms. Moumi Mitra (B.Ed. 2022–24) and Ms. Mukta Kashikar (M.Ed. 2021–23) — were felicitated for their achievements.

Dr. Geeta S. Thakur, Joint Secretary, PEAA, shared the alumni report, and the latest newsletter was released. The meet concluded with music and dance, allowing alumni to relax, celebrate, and create new memories.



Celebrating Our Authors:

Inspiring Contributions to Academic Excellence!!

We are delighted to celebrate the remarkable achievements of two of our distinguished alumnae, whose recent publications reflect their dedication to strengthening academic resources and advancing student learning.

Ms. Yogita M. Patil, Assistant Professor of Accounting and Finance at



Janardan Bhagat Shikshan Prasarak Sanstha's Ramsheth Thakur College of Commerce & Science, Kharghar, Navi Mumbai, has achieved a proud milestone with the publication of her book "Profit, Solvency and Beyond: Financial Lessons from Samsung Electronics India." The book has already begun earning royalties, and she has received an

official Copyright Certificate from the Government of India, recognizing the originality and scholarly value of her work.

Equally noteworthy is the contribution of **Ms. Sreekala Unnikrishnan**, who currently serves as a Visiting Faculty at MGM College of Commerce & IT, Kamothe; KLE College of Commerce & Science, Kalamboli; and S. P. More College, New Panvel. She has authored two academic books designed to enrich conceptual understanding and promote application-oriented learning in alignment with the vision of NEP 2020. Her book "Indian Ethos in Business" offers M.Com.



(Management) students meaningful insights into India's value systems and their relevance in contemporary business. Her second publication, "Marketing Research Concepts," provides Second Year B.Com. (Management) learners with a clear, structured foundation in marketing research.

We are thrilled to announce that, **Ms. Reshma Sudhir**, has promoted from the post of Department in-charge,

Pre-primary section to Coordinator, Pre-primary section at Indo Scots School.

These alumnae make us proud with their achievements, which inspire our student-teachers to strive for excellence. We warmly congratulate them and wish them continued success.



Extending support to the institution



Demonstration lessons were conducted by alumni on the college campus for

the first-year student teachers. Through these sessions, the alumni showcased exemplary teaching skills



to guide and inspire the F.Y. B.Ed. batch. The demonstration lessons provided valuable insights into effective lesson planning, innovative teaching strategies, and classroom management, helping to build a strong foundation for the freshers' teaching.

Fostering a Connection...

At Pillai College of Education and Research, New Panvel, prioritizes sustained engagement with the alumni through a dedicated WhatsApp group focused on placement opportunities. This platform serves as a dynamic space for sharing timely job openings, career-related resources, and institutional updates. What sets this initiative apart is the active involvement of our alumni, who not only benefit from the information shared but also voluntarily assist in spreading opportunities among their peers. Their continued support and collaborative spirit greatly enhance the effectiveness of the placement cell and reflect a strong sense of community and mutual growth.

New Committee – 2025-30

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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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