

ISR Project (Apron Stitching) 2019-20

A step toward financial empowerment for the villagers of Kawthewadi

This project towards financial empowerment is a continuation of the project which commenced in 2016-17

This year a total of 976 aprons were stitched by the villagers of Kawthewadi..

Highlights

1. A total of 10 villages were financially empowered.
2. This year the aprons were sold to our students in our college, St. Xavier's College, Kirti College and Jai hind College.
3. Apron stitching commenced from March 2018 upto June 2019.
4. The sale of Aprons and statement of account was maintained by Chemistry Lab Assistants, Shri Nandkumar Jadhav, Shri D.R. Mone and Shri Ritesh Bhatkar along with the non-teaching staff members

There are two departments and Rotaract which have done ISR; Rotaract, Department of Psychology, Department of English.

1. **Akanksha Season 4.0** – Cultures Of India, a Literary Arts, Performing Arts, and Fine Arts Interschool Competition planned and executed for the school students from the 1st Grade to the 10th Grade is a mega flagship project conducted by the Rotaract Club of SIES College, Sion (W), supported by the Rotary Club of Bombay Pier and Inner Wheel Club of Bombay along with Interact Club of New English School, SIES High School and Holy Angels' School. **Akanksha began in the year 2016 with great determination in serving a space for the underprivileged students.** However, over a period, after gathering information from different schools, the competition was made open for all schools. **This project aimed at providing them a platform to explore their talents and later improve themselves to pursue a career in it if they pleased.** (23rd, 29th, 30th December)
2. **P se Paatshala** is a mega-initiative taken up by RCSIES SW wherein **every month a workshop/seminar will be conducted for the juvenile kids at Umerkhadi so that they acquire basic knowledge and skills.** This project helped the young girls in gaining knowledge about **health and hygiene that has to be maintained during their menstruation period.** More than **150 packets of Sanitary Napkins and a Vending Machine** were donated through the project. This can only be done by making them aware of all the phases of life and give them knowledge, power and strength to fearlessly face it. Through this project, we could make a contribution to the betterment of the lives of the kids in a small way though. (till now conducted every month)
3. **JOSH 4.0: THIS TIME FOR THE OCEAN** is a mega flagship project of the Rotaract Club of SIES College, Sion (W), it was an **8 days long project** where flash mob was conducted at 13 different locations. **The Flashmob was carried out to create awareness about the menacing effects of the usage of POP idols and synthetic materials during the festive season of Ganesh Chaturthi.** This was considered as a platform to create a hype and eminence of the club RCSIES SW in Mumbai. It was a great opportunity for the team to showcase its performance at different Ganpati Pandalis in Mumbai. The main idea behind the project was to save our ocean for the future. Another objective to carry this out was to help the BMC workers to clean the beaches.

Team JOSH was honoured to have gotten a chance to perform at the inauguration of Swachh Seva Abhigyan Campaign that was graced by the presence of the Manager of Western Railways of Gujarat, Mumbai and Madhya Pradesh as the Chief Guest. (2nd Sept to 11th Sept)

4. **Donazione** is a **Donation Drive** which is a yearlong project of community service **conducted in every quarter to collect things from people, which are not useful anymore to the ones possessing them, and donating it to the ones who are in need** of them. For phase 2 of the project, it was decided that the collection drive to be conducted in the college would be a cloth collection drive since December is the month of festivals and joy. Seeing the smiles on the faces of the kids who received the 'new' clothes are what team community service craves for. The authorities of the orphanage were also thankful to us for the donation. Apart from the above mentioned events Rotaract Club has been enthusiastically active by conducting various events such as Brewing Poesy, Talent Dikhlaja, Khel Utsav, Cinefest, Halloworld, Sanitary Napkin Distribution, Patraakar, R-PACE, L.E.A.D and so on. (Phase 1- 23rd Sept- 30th Sept, Phase 2- 5th Dec to 13th Dec.2019)
5. **SIES Department of English - ISR Visit to Gothegar**
The Department of English organised an ISR visit to 'Anudanit Prathmik va Madhyamik Ashram Shala' at Gothegar in Shahpur Taluka on 25th December. Students were guided by Dr. Seema C. of the English department. **The session consisted of three activities - Origami, 'Hanky Game', and Thread Painting.** In origami-pieces were taught; bird, dog-face, fish, etc. The students enjoyed this activity and some even created origami-pieces of their own like flowers and boats.
In the second session, the volunteers organised a fun and educational game named '**The Hanky Game**'. In this, the students were taught the **English names of the body parts** (most of them were already familiar with the English names), and they indulged in this competitive game. The winners were awarded chocolates.
In the third session, the volunteers helped the students with **thread-painting**. Thereafter, all the students were **gifted sketch-pens and chocolates on behalf of the English Department.**
6. **Department of Psychology- 'Monday with Maslow'**
Psychology interacted with them as well as Dr. Mahajan and were inspired by students' commitment towards their goal and Dr. Mahajan's passion for this noble cause. In order to support the work done by Deepstambh Foundation Psychology Association organised **a fund-raising fair named 'Monday with Maslow' in our College on 27th January 2020.** The fair was organised on the theme of Needs Hierarchy Theory given by famous psychologist Abraham Maslow. This theory states that there are five needs that human beings have- physiological, safety/ security, love-belongingness, esteem and self-actualization. These needs, he says, are hierarchically arranged. In the fair-Monday with Maslow, there were **different stalls** symbolising each of these needs. Thus, there were food stalls, a stall to **give and receive positive and supportive messages to others**, stalls of games, where one can play, win and feel proud of oneself. **Unique feature** of this fair was that students and teachers of our college were requested a few days prior to **the fair to donate books that they have finished reading or objects in good condition that they have finished using.** Psychology Association planned to sell them to those who would visit the fair at very low price. Teachers and students together donated more than **150 books and also a few objects like bags,**

mugs, ear-rings, necklaces, bottles, show-pieces etc. These books and objects were sold at less than 50% price. The stalls of books, bookmarks, and objects had particularly overwhelming response. Some of those who visited the fair also **donated money for Deepstambh Foundation**. In all, around 156 people visited this fair. Due to immense support from our staff and students, Psychology Association could raise amount of 20,000/- for Deepstambh Foundation.