History Department report

1) Message from the HODs desk:

With a humble beginning in 1948, the History Department has grown into a full-fledged department. The department has walked determined in pursuit of its principles of progressive outlook based on a holistic education.

The accomplishments and standing that the department has are a collective efforts of me and my colleagues, Dr Archana Mishra and Ms Firdous Sarnoubat, who contribute through teaching, by curating and coordinating courses, workshops and taking initiatives in addition to the exams and administrative work of the department at the Undergraduate level. Ms, Yasmin Hashmatullah from the Junior College has also supported the Annual Seminar in the department. The department faculty try to bring innovativeness and are focussed on building outcomes in their teaching methodology.

The nature of the global market in which our graduates have to compete, is changing rapidly. Keeping this in mind the syllabus for autonomy is concretely designed, striking a balance between knowledge and career oriented skills. Our focus is primarily on students with a view to raising their aspirations, to setting the bar for their ambitions as high as possible, by exposing them to excellence of thought, intellect and creativity. We aim to engage locally and globally, to render knowledge into practical use, focus on issues of community importance, emphasize involvement in new endeavors and add significant value to our nation.

In our pursuit of excellence in education, research and innovation, we wish to contribute to national progress; this can be possible only with an inclusive and student-centric environment, as they constitute the future citizenry of the global world. We wish to unleash our student's potential, strengthen the already existing qualities, and provide equal opportunities to exhibit their talent and involve them in crucial decision making. A stimulating environment can not only encourage creativity and a spirit of enterprise through the learning process but can also explore the entrepreneur in them. Hence, the Department is committed to support the students along their journey of learning, and personal development, to acquire historical knowledge and perspective of the contextual understanding about the world in which they live, to analyze and induce highly desirable skills required to endure in today's world.

We are confident that our current curriculum has enabled overall development of budding historians to come up to the expectations of the global world. Our students have been well accepted in their job profiles and have consistently fulfilled expectations of the competitive world. The credit goes to the distinguished faculty as they combine academic excellence and real world experience with sincerity, perseverance and commitment.

With this brief introduction, I welcome you to be a part of our journey towards leading the young minds to excellence in education, training, and research.

2) Message about the department:

History is a terrain of introspection and understanding which gives a peep into the human past, thought currents and the transformations around us. It enables us to study the continuities and the changes amidst us and helps to deal with the current challenges. Historians have a responsibility to examine the sources to criticism and ascertain the authentic sources objectively, in order to provide an interpretation and analysis of the past. Its importance lies in not just providing a sense of our lives by engagement through critical analysis of various perspectives but in training minds towards responsible citizenry too.

The Department of History is committed to providing teaching of history in a manner to equip the students with the ability in critical and sharp understanding of the past events and contemporary trends, analytical reading and writing methods, research skills and the articulation of insights in a persuasive manner, with the rigor of historical argumentation, based on evidences. We offer a range of innovatively designed programs whose curricula are constantly updated to meet the changing requirements of the global world and to meet the suggestions put forth by our students. The primary focus of our curriculum is to impart correct perspective in understanding History, promote students' imagination by developing problem solving skills that endorse a holistic approach to education.

The BA Under-Graduate Programme in History will prepare the students for careers in the civil services, academics, law, for research, think tanks and prepare them to use this knowledge for employment in a variety of other careers. The programme states the attributes that it offers to inculcate at the graduation level. The graduate attributes encompass subject knowledge in depth, critical thinking and problem-solving abilities, organizational and leadership skills, communication proficiency, research skills, digital literacy and a sensitiveness to issues concerning heritage and conservation, gender, human rights, pertinent debates on socio and political issues of national and international relevance along with an understanding on sustainability, good citizenry and lifelong learning. This also tries to change the perception towards studying History. The B.A. History Programme offers students critical perspectives on Global and Indian History, Historiography and on Research Methodology, While teaching History we endeavor to provide an understanding on various interpretations and for a contextual knowledge on topics.

We encourage our students to present research papers at different forums under the guidance of the department. Through regular workshops on Video making, blog writing, Student seminar and guest lectures, the department maintains active interaction with students and other departments for carrying out collaborative and interdisciplinary research methodology workshops and research related activities.

Through the curriculum mini projects are given to supplement the theoretical knowledge with practical experience in the form of research papers that are presented in the class. Group assignments dealing with local problems help in creating awareness of issues the society faces. These assignments enable them to understand the relevance of working in a group and also help them to realize the finer aspects and importance of teamwork.

We encourage experiential learning wherein we take students for field visits such as to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (CSMVS), Coin Museum, Art Gallery, Courts, Architectural Monuments and Caves or to the NGOs.

The Department offers 4 Certificate Courses for value addition and in order to build competencies in the students to pursue their interest and career pursuit.

This *International Relations Certificate Course -Level I and II* prepares students for internships and jobs that can be taken up at the Think Tanks, Policy groups, at the intergovernmental organizations, or in any institutes promoting academic research. The program uses the pedagogy of interactive lecture sessions, discussions, critical reading and provides a deeper understanding on the contemporary political, economic, legal, and diplomatic practices in our interdependent and complex world. Students analyze contemporary international issues within their historical and cultural contexts, producing research-based assignments, participating in webinars online.

We also encourage students to participate and organize events such as Student Seminar, Shades (Film week), publication of Department magazine UMLOCA and other events organized by the department, other departments of the college. Through the Foundation Course subject, we get students involved in activities of social concern and relevance. We try to sensitize students to the needs of the society and nation.

We believe that History is not a burden on the memory but an illumination of the soul.

3) Faculty details:

Faculty in Department



II. Name: Mrs. Safina Rakhangi

III. **Designation:** HOD, Department of History

IV. **Qualification:** MA, SET qualified, PG Diploma in Human rights

V. Years of Experience: 24 years

VI. **Specialization:** Medieval India, Modern India, Maratha History, History of Maharashtra, Travel and Tourism, Human Rights, Indian Cultural heritage and International Relations

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Research Papers published:

- 1) Rabindranath Tagore-'The Truly Global Humanitarian', MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI, Historical Researches, Theory and Practices, S.A. Series II. ISBN 978-81-925005-7-7, (2018)
- 2) Unit 4-The Indian Constitution for Sem I and Unit 2-Human Rights for Sem II, Foundation Course I & II, University syllabus, **MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI**, Vipul Prakashan,ISBN number 978-93-89132-80-9-
- 3) Inclusive Education: Through Assistive Technology for Visually Impaired Students, MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI, Peer reviewed Peer reviewed Electronic International Interdisciplinary Research Journal, Volume IX, Issues –II, Impact factor 6.21(SJIF)
- 4) Unit 4-The Indian Constitution for Sem I and Unit 2-Human Rights for Sem II, Foundation Course I & II, University syllabus, **MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI**, Vipul Prakashan,ISBN number 978-93-87542-32-7.

5) Unit 4-The Indian Constitution for Sem I and Unit 2-Human Rights for Sem II, Foundation Course I & II, University syllabus, **MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI**, Vipul Prakashan,ISBN number 978-93-88068-71-0.

Research papers presented:

- 1. Rabindranath Tagore-The Truly Global Humanitarian, MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI at the History Youth Congress held at MD College of Arts, Commerce & Science.Mumbai, February 2018.
- 2. *Building Blocks of Bombay's Economy (1782-1818)*, presented by Mrs Safina Rakhangi, in an International Conference at Dyansadhana College, 6th & 7th January 2019.
- 3 *A Glimpse into the Tourism Industry; The Ignored Reality*, presented by MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI at an Interdisciplinary International Conference at Samadiya College,28th February 2019.
- 4. *Reconstruction of Indian Education System: Lead in Global Market*, presented by MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI, 15th February 2020, Matoshree Sumati Chintamani Tipnis College, Neral, Tal-Karjat, Dist- Raigad on Inclusive Education: Through Assistive Technology for Visually Impaired Students.
- 5. Escalating Conflict Increasing Vulnerability: A peek into Kashmiri Women's Human Rights, presented by MRS SAFINA RAKHANGI at a National Seminar on Human Rights of Women: Contemporary Issues and Challenges 9th March 2020 at KC Law College & K.J. Somaiya College (Department of Business Law), Mumbai.



- I. Name: **Dr Archana Mishra**
- II. Designation: Vice-Principal (Arts), Assistant Professor-Department of History, HOD, Department of Bachelor of Vocational Education -Travel and Tourism Management, Coordinator- International Relations Certificate Course, Co- Convenor IQAC Criteria 3 for Research.
- III. Qualification: MA, PhD, MBA, UGC NET & SET Qualified, Diploma in Journalism
- IV. Specialization: Early Indian History, Contemporary World History, Contemporary Indian History, History of Asia, India's Foreign Policy, Research Methodology, Historiography, International Relations, Media Studies, Culture Studies, Indian Cultural Heritage, Sustainable Tourism, International Tourism, BVoc-Travel & Tourism Skill courses framework, Vocational -Qualification Pack Trainer for Tourism students, Program and Course designing expertise, Outcomes building, industry and academia liaison
- V. Experience in years- 24 years Teaching Experience (12 years Full time with Jai Hind College, Autonomous)
- VI. Research:

a. Publications:

'Theory & Practice of Law in Early India with Special Reference to Gender Relations (200 BC-650 AD)' from SNDT University, Mumbai.

Book Published

Early Indian Jurisprudence: Precepts, Practice and Gender Status, ISBN: 9781482868425, 1482868423, Partridge India, 2016.

Research Papers

- 1. 'Diversity, Tourism and Employment Generation: A Strategic Perspective on India', *Pragati Journal (2021)*, **Dr Archana Mishra**, *Journal of Indian Economy Vol.* 8(2), *Jul-Dec* 2021, pp. 1-28 (2021)
- 2. "Rethinking Higher Education and Skilling in India Post-Covid 19 Pandemic", **Dr Archana Mishra**, The Urban World, (2020). Quarterly Publication, Volume 13, No.2, Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies (2020).
- 3. 'Glocalisation and Employment, Need for Niche Courses', **Dr Archana Mishra**, in KC PG Department of Media Studies, Media Research & Communication Studies Journal, ISSN No. 0972 4427, 2018.
- 4. Role of Civil Servant and shifts in their job role', **Dr Archana Mishra**, *Indian Journal of Psychological Issues*, *ISSN No.* 2249 7471, Vol 24 No 1 June 2016.
- 5. The Dimensions of Inclusiveness: Dharma Traditions and Neo-Vedanta, **Dr Archana Mishra** Different Strokes, TAF Journal, a Peer-Reviewed Teacher's

 Academic Forum Journal, ISSN No. 2249 7471, at Jai Hind College, (2012).
- 6. 'Education at Crossroads: Commercial Education vs Value-based Education', **Dr Archana Mishra**, in Peer-reviewed Teacher's Academic Forum Journal,

 Different Strokes, ISSN No. 2249 7471 at Jai Hind College, (2012).

- 7. 'Manusmriti in Gender Perspective', *Dr Archana Mishra*, in the book, Visibilising Women", Research Paper in Book edited by Dr KK Shah and Dr Radhika Seshan, ISBN No. 978-8178354156, Kalpaz Publication, New Delhi. (2005).
- 8. Sustainable Geo-Tourism and Branding: Exploring Tourism Potential at Lonar Lake in Maharashtra, Dr Archana Mishra and Dr. R Maitra, accepted for publishing (2022) (in process)

Research Papers Presented

- 1. Leveraging India's Cultural Diversity to Boost Employment in the Tourism Sector & Tourism Competitiveness, **Dr Archana Mishra**, at the International Conference on Diversity and Development, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai. (March, 2nd and 3rd, 2020.
- 2. 'Glocalisation and Employment, Need for Niche Courses', **Dr Archana Mishra at the**International Conference on Glocalization-Media Summit organized by the Kishinchand
 Chellaram College, PG Department of Media Studies, Mumbai, 2017.
- 3. 'SAARC: Challenges and Future', **Dr Archana Mishra** on a Panel Presentation at the GIS and Sciences Po organized the 6th French Network for Asian Studies International Conference held at Sciences Po, Paris, 9 June 28th, 2017.
- 4. 'Manusmriti in Gender Perspective', **Dr Archana Mishra** at the Post Graduate Department of History, SNDT University, Mumbai. (1997)

c. Research projects

- 1. *KT Telang Fellowship* on **Indological Studies'' for Phd, Asiatic Society of Mumbai,** Rs 12. 000 p. a, Duration 1 year, **2003.**
- 2. "Middle Class in India: Exploring its Changing Dimensions", received a Grant for Minor Research Project (BCUD, Mumbai University, amount of Rs 35000, (2020).
 - VII. **E-mail Id**-archana.mishra@jaihindcollege.edu.in



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II. Name: Ms. Firdous Sarnoubat

III. **Designation:** Assistant Professor

IV. Qualification:MA,

V. Years of Experience:7

VI. **Specialization:** Modern India, World History, Archaeology and Museology, Travel and Tourism, Indian Cultural heritage and International Relations

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- 1) Ms FIRDOUS SARNOUBAT presented a Paper on" *Palliative Care in Maharashtra with Special reference to the Work of Cipla Palliative Care and Training Center*" at One Day National Conference ,11 th Konkan Itihas Parishad at B.K Birla College (Autonomous) on 24 th October 2021.
- 2) Ms FIRDOUS SARNOUBAT presented a paper on "A nationalistic enterprise in a multinational scenario: The Cipla Story" at the 12 th One Day Annual National Conference of Konkan Itihas Parishad on 17 th February 2023

3) Courses offered

Sr.No	Course name Program Name	Diploma/certificate	Aided/Self financed
1.	Core History FY, SY	Degree	Aided
2.	History Majors	Degree	Aided
3	HistoryPart Majors	Degree	Aided
4	Foundation Course	Degree	Aided
5	International Relations I & II	Certificate	Self financed
7	Indian Cultural Heritage Level I & II	Certificate	Self financed

- 4) Supporting Staff:NA
- 5) Society/cell under department

History Association

The History Association of JHC is a confluence of curious minds and dynamic ideas. The activities carried out through the year help to foster not only academic knowledge but also real life skills. It comprises the faculty in the department and students elected for the executive team.

2018-2019

Research methodology workshop

A Research methodology workshop by Prof (Dr) Preeta Nilesh guided the students on the technique of writing a research paper and assisted them in the preparation of the Annual Student Seminar.

Certificate Courses:

Certificate Course on International Relations Level I in collaboration with Observer Research Foundation as Knowledge Partners was held on 27th September 2018 to 12 October 2018. Lectures were organised on diverse issues concerning and affecting international policies and relations among countries globally and India's position in the Global world was discussed.

Certificate Course on International Relations Level II was organized between 18th August to 18th September, 2018. The course provides the students a critical insight into contemporary international issues explaining their historical and cultural contexts, producing research-based assignments, and participating in webinars online. It provides advanced understanding on relevant concepts and issues in contemporary politics.

Certificate Course in 'Indian Cultural Heritage' (Level I) was conducted from **20th February to 10th March 2019**. The Course enabled the Students to appreciate and understand Indian culture and traditions enable an understanding of the concepts of tangible and intangible heritage, types of heritage and its various aspects and familiarize learners with the concept and types of heritage, Heritage Conventions and organizations and regulatory framework in India. The Course was conducted to enable students to understand and appreciate our history, culture and heritage. Students were introduced to the rich historical and cultural legacy of India.

Annual Student Seminar was held on 13th February 2019 which had an interdisciplinary theme "*History of the Marginalized in India*". Dr. Sujata Warrier, Associate Professor Department of Sociology & HOD- FC – "N. G. Acharya and D.K Marathe College" judged the student's presentation and three prizes were awarded. These papers were mentored by the department faculty.

Field visits

The Students of SYBA visited along with Departmental faculty Dr Archana to the *CSMVS museum* on 8th August 2018, where they had an interactive session on exhibits at Museum followed by an assignment on the same. An interactive session on exhibits at Museum with special focus on Indus Valley Civilisation, Ashokan inscriptions, Art and Sculptural aspects of early India and craftsmanship heritage in India was conducted. *A special lecture cum interaction was done in Conservation* section where students interacted with Craftsman who was restoring a Zardozi embroidery, a conservator who explained conservation aspects of restoring a broken sculpture and another explaining a map of Fort of Marathas followed by an interactive discussion with Mr Anupam Sahi, the Chief Conservator of Conservation section of CSVMS.



The students of *SYBA/SYBCOM* were taken to the Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad on 5th February 2019 to witness the Budget Session of the Assembly by Department Faculty Ms Safina and Ms Firodus. They were also acquainted with the seating position of members in the two houses and its functioning.

On 28th February 2019 the students of SYBA/SYBCOM were once again taken to the *Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad* to witness the Budget Session of the Assembly.

A visit to the *Kondana caves* FEBRUARY 19th 2019- It entailed a trek to the Kondane caves and studying various aspects of the architecture and architectural plan of Vihara and Chaitya Hall and congregational aspects of Buddhist religion and symbolism in architecture and congregational aspects of Buddhist religion and symbolism in architecture. The activity was undertaken along with Dr Archana and Ms Firdous on behalf of the department.

Guest Lectures

In collaboration with the WDC, a *Conclave on "Abortion"* wherein students presented different theories and views on the topic.

Dr. Kurush Dalal Mumbai University Department of Archaeology addressed the students on 7th August 2018 on the topic *Archaeology and Stone tools*.

A practicing lawyer, Mr Floyd Gracias to explain the *Differences between FIR and NC and the various dos and don'ts of filing a FIR*. Womens' Studies Centre of Pune university interacted with students on *Declining child sex ratio in Maharashtra* and sensitised students about falling child sex ratio in general as well and highlighting various other related issues.

In collaboration with the NSS unit the department organized a *Guest lecture on Disaster Management* for students.

A talk on 'Revisiting Third Battle of Panipat' was organized on 15th January 2023 wherein our students and students of Wilson College along with their faculty were provided with diverse perspectives on the topic by Mr Chandrakanth Nene. A lecture cum demonstration on Yoga and its benefits were organized for the FYBCOM students.

Guest lecture was conducted by Dignity Foundation to sensitize students on issues and challenges faced by senior citizens on 3rd August 2018.

Analysis of Hindi films Jagruti and Kismat was done to understand the role of media in the Indian National movement and in arousing nationalism. Analysis of maps was done as part of the evaluation system

Community Outreach

SYBA Foundation Course students were taken by Dr Archana Mishra to **Ashadaan** NGO and assigned students projects related to community outreach—with NGOs. Students of SYBA as a part of the Foundation Course project undertook *internship with NGOs* ranging from Dignity Foundation, Akansha, Dhai Akshar, Ashadaan-Missionaries of Charity, Red Dot, V Care, Plane Jar, Vatsalya Trust, Angel Express and several others. As part of the Foundation Course activity,

a field trip and CSR initiative from the department, a *visit to 'Ashadaan' orphanage* was organized with the students. Clothes, medicines and a donation of Rs 10,500/- were made from voluntary contributions from students and the faculty. A cultural programme by students was also organized for them at the center. where the students were sensitized about the problems and challenges faced by Sisters of Charity and got to know about their working. Students voluntarily collected clothes and stationary and medicines were taken to the center after coordinating with the sisters.







Documentaries and movies were screened dealing with relevant topics from the syllabus in class followed by critical appreciation and discussions for FC & History.eg Razia Sultan, Junoon, Chattrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Gender Sensitisation Workshop

On February 18th, 2019 a Film "Boys who like Girls" was screened followed by a session on gender issues and the idea of consent in relationships by MAVA and TISS. Three groups of Students produced and acted in documentaries on relationships and value of consent and these films were sent for screening at MAVA Event as part of a competition. 4 students as part of FC project participated in day long events organized by MAVA to understand the role of MAVA and contribution to building gender sensitization.

2019-2020

Certificate Course on *International Relations Level I*: The International Relations Certificate Course (Level I) was organised between 6th August, 2019 to 14th September, 2019. Lectures were conducted by researchers from the Observer Research Foundation (ORF) and a few professors from Jai Hind College. The inaugural lecture was given by Mr. Parjanya Bhatt on the topic 'The Kashmir Conflict'. He also discussed the abrogation of Article 370 of the Indian Constitution which had happened just a few days before his lecture. Thereafter in the following days lectures were taken on several interesting topics such as on Indo-US relations, Indo-China relations, The Arab Spring, Politics in the Middle-East, India's foreign policy, Geopolitics and much more. The role played by various organizations such as ASEAN, BIMSEC and SAARC were also discussed.

The International Relations (Level II)- The course provides the students a critical insight into contemporary international issues explaining their historical and cultural contexts, producing research-based assignments, and participating in webinars online. International Relations (Level II) was organized between December 18th to 20th January 2020. The IR II course brought engagement of students in thought provoking debates, critical analysis and brainstorming on issues and challenges in international politics today and solutions possible. This course enabled the students to hone their knowledge of International Politics by virtue of in-depth discussions, insightful readings and interactions with experts. The resource persons were invited from ORF, Gateway House, Institute of Security Studies and Embassy.

'Shades'-Annual Film Festival of the Department

The event was organized from 5th August 2019 and saw a week of enthusiastic participation by students of all streams who came together and watched critically acclaimed movies.

Interdisciplinary Research Methodology Workshop

The Department conducted an *Interdisciplinary Research Methodology Workshop* on 30th August, 2019 in collaboration with the Psychology and Philosophy department. This workshop aimed to instill the skills required for a good research and provided a comprehensive idea into the ever-evolving realm of research and the art of writing a good Research Paper.

Field Visits

Students were also taken on a *visit to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya* (*CSMVS*) on 22nd January 2020 to gain practical insights by looking at the various exhibits, learn about the architectural style of the museum and about the different conservation techniques involved. A *visit was made to the RBI coin Museum* to explain to students about history of coinage in India and types of coinage. 210 student's *visit to Ashadaan NGO* was directed on January 22nd, 2020 for the students of FC where students contributed by medicines, clothes and other essentials and along with faculty contributed Rs 12000 INR. These students of SYBA also took up internships with different NGOs.

As part of the Field Visits, Ms Safina Rakhangi undertook a *Mazagaon Heritage Walk* conducted for the TYBA History students on 7th December 2019 to explore the lesser known streets of Mazagaon and to appreciate the hidden gems of heritage within this part of Mumbai. The Hasna Baug, The Rozary Church, the Matharpacady village with the Portuguese style bungalows and the koli village of Mazagaon were mesmerizing and left the students with awe for our cultural architectural Heritage.

Guest lectures

A *Guest lecture titled 'Gandhi: The Real Entrepreneur'* was held on the eve of the 150th Birth Centenary of Mahatma Gandhi on 20th December 2019 so as to enable students to understand his vision and foresight.

SYBA Students were sensitized on the issues of the *Tribals of India* on 25th January 2020 which helped students to understand their issues in India, PILs filed by them and measures taken by the government to uplift them.

An interactive *Guest Lecture by the Israeli Consul General* was organized on 24th January 2020 that provided a better understanding of the Indo-Israel Relations and their areas of mutual cooperation.

Students were taken for an interaction at the Maritime History Society and for a special lecture on *Artificial Intelligence* organized by Gateway House.

Another *lecture* was organized on *Climate Change* to enable students to understand the role of the younger generation in conserving it, on 4th February, 2020.

The *Certificate Course on Indian Cultural Heritage (Level I)* was conducted from 7th February to 25th February, 2020. Learning from the rich acumen imparted by erudite guest speakers, students were able to appreciate the uniqueness of Indian traditions and were acquainted with the adaptability and assimilative aspects of Indian culture. The course comprised of *field visits to the rock cut Buddhist caves at Kanheri, Heritage Walk of South Mumbai as well as an introductory workshop on Brahmi Script*.

A *workshop on Blogging* was organized on 23rd January, 2020 which taught them how to create a blog and chalk out growth strategies for such websites. The workshop encouraged students of SYBA to create their own blogs and published articles pertaining to History. Entire SYBA History batches have created their blogs on historical topics as part of their assignment based on what they learnt in the workshop.

Annual Student Seminar

The Annual Student Seminar was held on 27th and 28th January, 2020. The Theme of the Seminar this year was '*History from the Lens of the Indian Cinema*'. Our students also presented their papers at a RUSA sponsored National Conference held in the Xavier's College, Mumbai on 11th February, 2020. The theme was, 'Cinema Through the Lens of History'. Their papers have been selected for publication in a peer reviewed journal of the college. The Title of the Papers presented

were 1) A Socio-political analysis of the Bollywood movie Mohenjodaro by Forum Shah and 2) Indecorous representation of Muslims and Distortion of History by Zoya Khan.

Online Guest Lecture Series

As soon as the lockdown began, the History department conducted a *Series on Online Guest Lectures* to keep the students engaged and involved during the pandemic. On 6th April an Online Guest lecture on *Tourism in Italy and Spain after Covid-19* by Mr Mark Anthony, CEO of Happy Miles, Italy to understand the impact of Pandemic on the travel and tourism industry was held.

Dr Mrunmayee Satam spoke on *Caste*, *Mortality and the Influenza Pandemic 1918-19*. On 14th April 2020. On 23rd April 2020, Dr Stawant Balse delivered a lecture on *Development of Road Safety in Colonial Mumbai*.

Another lecture on 30th April on *Patient's Rights: Charting Facts and Fallacies* was taken by Dr Madhu Kelkar, Associate Professor, HR College.

On 2nd May 2020, Dr Vibhuti Patel spoke on *Gender implications of Covid 19*. Th lecture aimed at understanding the impact of the disease on the different genders of the society

2020-2021

Online debate

The History department of Jai Hind College conducted and participated in various events this year. We started our year with the Online debate on "*Reservation System in India-Good or Bad and Why?* on 20th October 2020. This online debate was for the subject of the Foundation Course taught at the first year level and had a good response from the students and meaningful points were presented as well.

Online Guest Lectures

On the 16th of December 2020, the department held an online talk on- Sustainable Tourism & Sustainable Practices -Indian Scenario Covid 19. It was curated by Dr. Ruchi Singh, HOD-

Dept. of Tourism & Hotel Management Bhupal Noble's University. The session gave realistic scenarios about the future of the tourism department post pandemic.

On the 15th of April 2021 and 18th of April 2021 the History department along with the Economics department organized an *Online Lecture on "Entrepreneurship-Why?* The speaker of this lecture was *Mr.B. R. Venkaesh*, Founder MBTLA Academy. Due to the overwhelming response of the students the seminar was conducted in two batches and was a massive success.

Another lecture on "Study of Monetary Transactions From Past to the Present" was curated by Mr. Jason Johns Assistant Professor, Ancient Indian Culture, St. Xavier's College. This workshop gave an insight into the ancient and medieval periods of monetary transactions till the modern times.

Student Seminar

The Student Seminar was conducted on the Goggle Meet online platform on *Indian Musical Traditions: History and Heritage*" which caught the eye of many students who presented splendid papers on the same. students presented their talents in singing and in playing stringed instruments. It was held on the 23rd of April, 2021. *Dr. Priyamvada Sawant* Associate Professor, H.R. College and *Ms. Yukta Hathiramani*, Alumni Jai Hind College were our respected judges for the seminar. Both gave valuable suggestions and praised the students for their hard work.

2021-2022

Online workshops

An **Online Video making workshop** was organized on 5th July 2021 to enable students to learn the technical aspects and Dos and Dont's of making History related videos was conducted by peer mentors from the BMM and BFM stream.

An *Online blogging workshop* was organized to train the students of SYBA to write blogs. The workshop was conducted by our ex student Ms Yukta Hathiramani.

A Video making Workshop

International Relations Level I and Level II Certificate Courses

The department brought its *International Relations Level I and Level II* Certificate Courses in collaboration with Observer Research Foundation (ORF), Association of Asia Scholars (AAS), National Maritime Foundation (NMF), Free Press Journal and scholars from Gateway House, Manohar Parrikar Defense Research Organization and Consulate of China in Mumbai. We signed MoU for the institution and in the best interest of the students with both the Association of Asia Scholars and National Maritime Foundation. The program uses the pedagogy of interactive lecture sessions, discussions, critical reading and provides a deeper understanding on the contemporary

political, economic, legal issues in International Politics. Around thirty plus resource persons spoke on a variety of issues in International Politics and provided valuable critical insights to the enrolled students. Both Certificate courses were coordinated by Dr Archana Mishra and the MoUs were facilitated in the best interest of the institution and the department.

Interdisciplinary Guest Lecture Series

The Department organised the *Guest Lecture Series* in order to provide diverse knowledge and perspectives of experienced resource persons from various disciplines. Ms Payal Bhattad, Assistant Professor, History Department, Wilson College, was the opening speaker who interacted on 8th July 2021, on *Indian economy in 1000 CE*.

Ek Kahaani :A peek into the lives of Roshanara and Jahanara, the sisters of Aurangzeb' was another well received lecture by Noor Ali on 1st of December 2021.

The other lectures were organised from 14th to 23rd February 2022 on the following topics such as *Impact of spirituality on Indian Cultural Heritage* (by Ms Simmin Bawa on Feb 14th, 2022)

Mr Irfan Kazi(Assistant Engineer, Solid Waste Management, G North Ward, BMC and a practicing Pir) on *Understanding essence and vibrancy of Indian Culture through Sufism* on Feb 15th.

Dr Priyamvada Sawant (Associate Professor, FC Dept, FM Jockey) on *Indian literature in Hindi Films* on 15th Feb, 2022.

Prof Rita Chettiar-(Assistant Prof, Wilson College, Hist Dept) Scottish Missionaries and their contribution to education on 16th Feb, 2022.

Ms Shilpa Chedda(Curator), Heras Institute, St Xavier's College)-*Understanding the role of a Curator* 17th Feb, Ms Anuja Joshi on 18th Feb, *Conservation of Temple architecture*.

A *session* providing necessary information to students interested in *Pursuing History in Post Graduation and careers in History* was held by Dr Pratibha Jain, Educational Counselor.

Student Seminar

The Department brought its Annual Student Seminar on the theme. Attire Through the Ages: The Trendsetter Monarchs. It was organised from 28th February, 2022 and was conducted Online on the Google Meet platform. The aim of the Annual Student Seminar is to foster among the students an interest in historical research and develop skills related to historical research such as dealing with primary/secondary sources, interpretation of texts and sources, analysis of sources. The seminar enables students to hone their research and presentation skills. The Students of FYBA, SYBA and TYBA and Junior College presented Research papers on these themes. These research

papers were mentored by the departmental faculty. Three prizes for the Degree College students and a special prize for the Junior scholar were announced. These research papers were judged by our alumni of 2014(Ms Tarannum Samtani) and 2019(Ms Yukta Hatiramani) batch.

Annual Film Screening -Shades

The Annual Film Screening academic activity of the Department *SHADES* was conducted from 6th December to 11th December 2021. SHADES was a one week long movie screening, wherein 6 films were showcased which had historical significance. After every movie screening there were discussions which were moderated by the Editor-in-Chief of the History Association and faculty. The motive of SHADES is to inculcate the skill of film appreciation among the participants and simultaneously fostering a spirit of learning through the audio-visual means. The list of films were *Around the World in 80 Days* (2004), *The Seventh Seal* (1957), *Trial of The Chicago* 7 (2020), *Shatranj Ke Khiladi* (1977), *Khuda Kay Liye* (2007) and *Fiddler on the Roof* (1971).

2022-2023

The History Association of Jai Hind College has conducted the following activities/events during the academic year 2022-23:

Interdisciplinary Guest Lecture Series(Arts) 25th July to 29th Nov-

Seven lectures on following topics were conducted in collaboration with the Philosophy and political Science Departments. Besides the inaugural lecture the other six lectures were Online in nature. All these lectures were engaged by eminent subject experts from academia and industry whose efforts were to involve students through online participation and activities.

Certificate Course on International Relations (Level 1)

The Certificate Course on International Relations (Level I) was held from 10th to 25th September 2022. The programme was conducted in a Hybrid mode-both online and offline lectures held, which included interactive discussions. The sessions were centered around the theme "Multilateralism in International Politics: Indo-Pacific and the Challenges Ahead". The speakers were from distinguished institutions such as the Observer Research Foundation, Gateway House, and the National Maritime Foundation along with others from Association of Asia Scholars, Manohar Parrikar Defence Institute among others. The students were able to analyze and contextualize contemporary issues in international relations with the help of assignments towards the end of the course. The course was designed and coordinated by Dr Archana, Faculty in the department.

Video making workshop 5th Aug 2022

The prime focus of the workshop was to teach the students how to edit a video like the artistic hands of professionals and learn the shortcuts for the same. The tricks that Mr. Archit taught the

students were fade, dissolve, match cut, whip pan J and L cuts, how to edit a video in a meaningful manner, and what colours to use to showcase a particular emotion.

Guest Lecture on Rise of Sufism in India 17th Sep 2022

This lecture by Mr Irfan Kazi, an engineer by profession and a practicing Sufi dealt with the trail of the Sufi saints in India and their contribution to the development of harmonious relations among the communities was conducted in collaboration with the Philosophy department.

Annual Film Screening Event -Shades

History based films were screened from 5th September 2022 to 14th September. This event saw a huge response from students across the streams as the films screened were relevant from the syllabus point and helped in getting an insight into the historical events with different perspectives.

Skit in collaboration with Men Against Violence and Abuse (MAVA) & WDC

On 7th December 2022, the History Association collaborated with MAVA to organise a skit by students from various colleges across Mumbai. The play titled "Bas Itni Si Baat?" focused on microaggressions in relation to sexism and misogyny. It helped to sensitize students about the day-to-day instances of prejudices against women that are almost always never noticed.

Annual History Seminar

The annual students' seminar was held on 27th and 31st February 2023. The theme for the papers was "Cities, Towns and History". The paper-presentations were judged by Dr. Mrunmayee Satam and Ms. Tanvi More. The participants included students from junior college as well as degree college. The papers examined the histories of several historical urban centres in India and abroad, focusing on their political and socio-cultural evolution. Several kinds of cities were explored: trading towns, manufacturing hubs, dynastic capitals, temple-towns etc.

Participation in MUDRA

On 5th and 6th January, the Department of History at Ramnarain Ruia College (Autonomous) conducted its annual fest 'MUDRA' to which the Jai Hind College (Autonomous) sent a contingent of participants. The JHC contingent took part in all the events which included competitions on photography, performing arts, essay writing, quizzes etc. The contingent secured prizes in two of the events.

The Annual **History Student Seminar** was held for Junior College students on 25th February 2023 (Day 1) and for Degree College Students on 27th February 2023 (Day 2). The theme for this year's seminar was "Cities, Towns and History". The Seminar was organised by the Department of History with the assistance of the History Association and was held within the college premises.

The papers presented by **Junior College** participants were on the following topics:

- 1. The Spiritual and Geo-political Conquest of Constantinople (1st prize)
- 2. Chichen Itza and the Mayan Civilisation (2nd prize)
- 3. Jaunpur: Shiraz-i Hind
- 4. Lahore and Bombay: Correlation and Contrasts

The papers presented by **Degree College** participants were on the following topics:

- 1. Temple Urbanism in Srirangam: A Social-Historical Perspective (1st prize)
- 2. Cross-religious Development of Culture in Jaunpur under the Sharqi dynasty (2nd prize)
- 3. A Descriptive Analysis of Pompeii (3rd prize)
- 4. Kumbh Nagri: The Temporary Megacity
- 5. The Bombay Millworking Community
- 6. Daulatabad:

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Visit to the Mughal Masjid(Iranian Mosque) at Immabada on 6th February 2023 enabled students of TYBA studying Later Medieval India History to understand the Iranian traits in the Mughal style of architecture. The visit was conducted by the HOD, Mrs Safina Rakhangi.

Four TYBA students accompanied by Mrs Safina Rakhangi conducted **Community Outreach Activity** on 14th January 2023 by engaging the students of Grade V of St Peter's School, Mazagaon in understanding the topic of the United Nations. The three sessions involved participative teaching learning activities like quiz and puzzles activity.

Guest lecture on Mahatma Gandhi; The Global Persona 30th Jan 2022

Mahatma Gandhi is a name that encompasses every facet of our national life. Besides his popularity with the concept of Satyagraha, he is a national figure known for his codes of behavior, religious views that emphasized on Truth being the highest religion and his very God. No doubt his contribution to the Indian national movement is novel in its own way but his political ideas, views on economy and contribution to social reforms also have been impactful. His stand for utilitarian education undeniably enables him to earn the title of a World Teacher. On his 75th death anniversary, the departments of History and Philosophy plan to pay reverence

to the Father of Nation by conducting an Online Guest Lecture on 30th January 2023 at 3pm on Mahatma Gandhi; The World Persona.

Guest Lecture on Stress & Stress management 20th January 2023

In-house faculty from the Psychology department, Dr Ruchi chaturvedi engaged the FYBCOM students on the meaning, causes and management of stress.

Guest Lecture on Yoga; the link to healthy life 27th January 2023

Another in house faculty Ms Simmin Bawa- Philosophy Department involved students of FYBCOM on the need to practice yoga in today's busy life. The simple sitting exercises done in the class made the lecture participative and interesting.

a. Upcoming events:

6) Student Achievement

2018-19

In Hysteria- Intercollegiate History Competition of Juhunjhunwala College our students won 1st and 3rd position in the Poetry writing competition.

MUDRA-Intercollegiate History Competition of Ruia College our students bagged -1st position in LOk Manch, 2nd position in Fashion Show

2019-2020

- 1) Two students presented research papers at the National Seminar, St Xavier's College on Cinema through the lens of History. Their papers have been accepted after peer review for publication. The Title of the Papers presented were 1) A Socio-political analysis of the Bollywood movie Mohenjodaro by Forum Shah and 2) Indecorous representation of Muslims and Distortion of History by Zoya Khan.
- 2) Two students won a First Prize in the Quiz Competition on the theme 'Sikander –e-Siyasat(The Power Play) at Ruia College 'Mudra Fest'
- 3) One Student won Second Prize in Creative Writing on the theme 'Letters to Historical Personalities.
- 4) There were several **online intercollegiate competitions** organized by different colleges during the lockdown period in which our students won prizes: For an Online PPT Presentation Competition by V. G. Vaze College- **First Prize** secured by *Yukta*

Hathiramani, for Online Short Essay Writing Competition by JVM's Mehta Degree College- **Second Prize** was also secured by *Yukta Hathiramani*.

2020-2021

The department represented our college in the annual history festival of Ramnaraian Ruia college-MUDRA. Our students participated in all the competitions held. The following is a list of the awards our students secured-

Best college contingent leader- Riya Pradhan

1st rank in talent show- Khushi Burad

1st rank in travel guide competition- Riya Pradhan

1st rank in debate competition- Siddhi Chauhan, Yashashwini Tiwari, Siddhi

2nd rank on shark tank competition- Riya Pradhan

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2021-2022

Mudra is one of the most awaited events for the students of our college. The History Association participated in this inter-collegiate History Fest conducted by Ruia College in January 2022. The fest consisted of six assorted competitions out of which we won the maximum number of awards. For a consecutive 4th year, Jai Hind College was awarded the *Best Contingent Leader Award* (presented to *Ms Riya Pradhan for 2021*).

Ms Nishi Jain won the First prize for the event *Dastan- e-Fashion* (an era based fashion show).

Ms Jannat Sheikh secured first place and Ms Riya Pradhan secured third place in the section of Palat Ke Toh Dekho Jara (heritage conservation presentation).

A team consisting of *Ms Forum Shah*, *Ms Khushi Burad and Mr. Aditya S secured the first prize* in a *Quiz competition* in the event named *Strive to Sustain*. Our students have not only gained unique learning experience but have made the college proud by winning prizes in every category.

2022-2023

MUDRA was an intercollegiate competition organized by the History Department of Ruia College where in Jai Hind college participated in large numbers in every event.

Participants for **Bharat Ek Khoj**- quiz competitions were Team1- ARIA TYAGI and HIRJI JEHANGIR, Team 2- LAMYA DARUKHANAWALA and TREYA JAMBHULKAR.

Dha cha Ma- Alternative reality competitions were JANNAT SHAIKH and ADITYA, this was an individual participation competition.

Another individual participation was *Kalakruti*- miniature model making competition for which participants were YASH JETHWA and SWATI RISHI.

Lost and Found- photography competition were KAVEENA MAHESHWARI and KARTHIK G. NAMBIAR

Millet - i - Muqabala A cooking competition was interestingly presented by TANISHKA AGRE.

The group event *Murder at Watson's*- murder mystery competition was carried out by the team of 4-JANNAT SHAIKH, KHUSHI BURAD, ARIA TYAGI and MEET PUNGHERA. *A Walk into India* the performing art competition had 2 entries. Entry 1- NISHI JAIN, BHAKTI MANANIA, PARVI GALA, ZAHABIYA KARMALAWALA. Entry 2-KHUSHI BURAD.

From the above-mentioned participants, the participants for 'Dha Cha Ma' - Jannat and Aditya secured first and second positions respectively.

The 2nd prize for 'A Walk into India' was secured by Khushi Burad. Not just this but the Best CL too was bagged by Khushi Burad and Best College trophy was awarded to Jai Hind College for consecutive 3rd Year in a row.