



# EDGEWIZE

*New perspective in the becoming*



## A YEAR OF ABSENCE :

### No Urja or Aakrid in 2024, but returns in February–March 2025

Urja and Aakrid are the annual cultural and sports fest of Bakliwal Foundation College respectively. These festivals not only bring joy in the continuous academic life of students but also gives an opportunity to every single person to make memories of lifetime. Dance, Music, Drama, Kabaddi, Cricket, Running and more, not only marks the college memories, but also makes us believe in teamwork. It's like a breath of fresh air in lives of students. Unfortunately, it's quite the opposite for the in-charges.

The year, 2024, didn't witness any of the festival. Most of the credit goes to the uncertain exam schedules and the hectic academic semester. It's very unfortunate that the prime month December which mostly witnesses the cultural festival was occupied by university examination. January, yet again, is witnessing the academic examination of first years. As a result, the vibrant campus is missing its usual buzz and students are left with a sense of void.

There's a silver lining - the wait will soon be over! Aakrid and Urja are slated to take place in February-March, bringing with them a whirlwind of excitement, creativity and friendly competition. However, conducting these events poses quite a challenge in themselves too. With new semester starting from January to April, it's already a very short span of time to cover the academic syllabus. Students will have innumerable things on their plates. Balancing studies with sports and cultural fest is going to be a mammoth task! The writer believes in BFC's students, they'll manage anyhow. Although, couple of KT's shouldn't get in the way of making memories!



International day for violence against women



AIDS Awareness Day



Marathon organized by NMMC for a green cause

# Are Exams Just for Students?

## TESTAMENT OF DEDICATION AT BAKLIWAL FOUNDATION COLLEGE

Exams are an integral part of the academic process, not just for students but for teachers as well. At Bakliwal Foundation College, the commitment to each role in education is evident not only in the students' performances, but also in the tireless efforts of the teaching and examination staff.

The recent exam period, which coincided with the Christmas vacation, stands as a shining example of how important exams are for teachers too, particularly when conducted during the holiday season.

### **The Winter Exams: A Test of Dedication**

The winter break, typically a time for relaxation and rejuvenation, became a time of relentless hard work for the teaching and examination staff at Bakliwal Foundation College. From December 25th to January 2nd, while most of the college community enjoyed the festive season, the exams were in full swing, demanding the unwavering attention and dedication of the heads of departments and the head of examination.

This period exemplified the vital role that teachers play in the examination process. The Head of Examinations, Prof. Kavita Khushwa, along with other department heads, Prof. Pooja Gajra and Prof. Rani D'Souza, worked in coordination to carry out exams during the holidays, speaking volumes about their commitment to upholding the quality of education and maintaining academic integrity.

### **Leadership and Teamwork: A Collaborative Effort**

What stood out during this exam period was the collaborative effort between the heads of various departments. Despite the winter break, the Head of the Examination Department worked hand-in-hand with the heads of other



departments, back-office and admin to ensure every exam was conducted according to schedule and every detail was attended to, from securing exam papers to managing the logistical requirements. This teamwork helped mitigate the challenges that come with conducting exams during the holiday season.

### **A Verdict to Teacher Dedication**

For teachers, exams are not just about grading papers; they are an opportunity to evaluate students' progress, identify areas for improvement and provide feedback that helps students grow. Even during a time when many would prefer to be with their families or taking time to rest, the staff of Bakliwal Foundation College displayed a remarkable sense of responsibility and commitment. This dedication is a reflection of the college's ethos: a constant pursuit of academic excellence and a deep commitment to student success. Exams, especially those

held during holidays, require teachers to go above and beyond their usual duties. They juggle administrative responsibilities, assist with student queries and ensure that all procedures are in place for a seamless exam process, all while maintaining their own academic and personal schedules.

### **The Unseen Effort Behind the Scenes**

While the students' hard work is often celebrated during exam season, it is essential to recognize the efforts of those who make these exams possible. The heads of departments, the Head of Examinations and all staff involved demonstrate unparalleled dedication to their roles. They ensure that exams are fair, transparent and structured, even during challenging times such as the winter holidays.

### **Conclusion**

Even when most people take a step back to enjoy the holiday season, the heads and administration stepped forward, ensuring that the academic processes continued without interruption. This steadfast commitment speaks volumes about their passion for education and the overall academic integrity of the institution.

### **A tribute to the dedicated**

**- Dr. Purna Shah,  
Faculty coordinator of  
NAMC**



# INTERCOLLEGIATE TO ROLL!

## CULTURAL SECTION

### VARJA :

On 28th December 2024, some of our radiant students participated in a Fashion show and solo dance of New Horizon College, Airoli, VARJA 2024, an annual fest with several intercollege contests. The solo dances comprised of 2 participants. The theme for the contest was, "Formal Attire", which was put forward by the students in a quite chic way with Gen-z team name, "Corporate Baddies." The team included Archana Singh, Arpita Patole, Swastika Das, Ruchita Puri, Isha Puri, Tabassima Naaz Ansari, Bilal Ansari, Aftab Khan, Harshita Singh, Mariya Mala and Nasib Danish. Here comes the main testament, BFC's fashion team stood first in the contest. Congratulations to all the fashion enthusiasts!

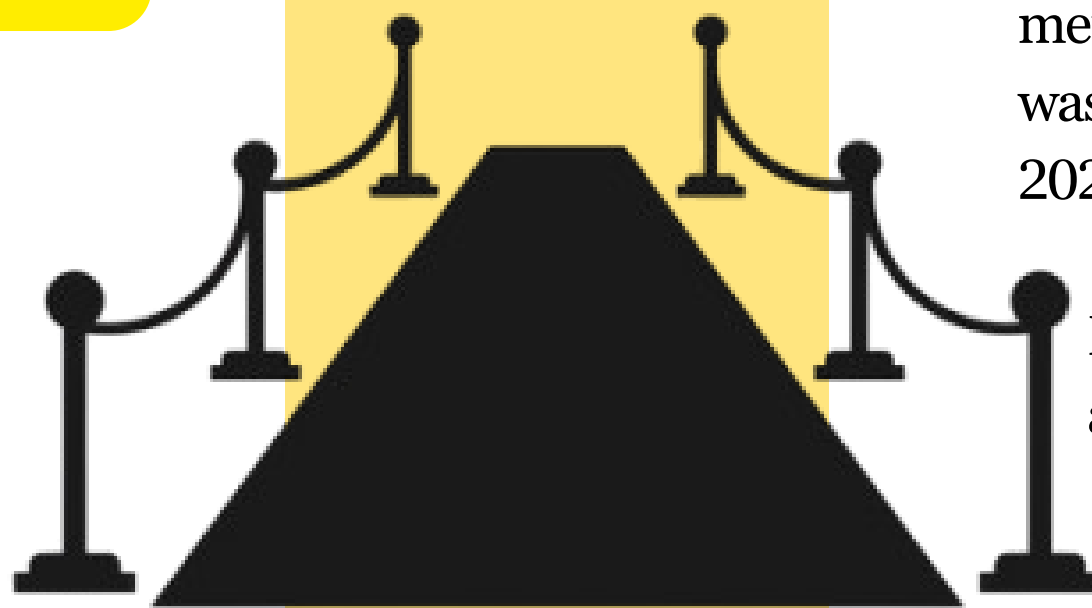
## SPORTS SECTION

### PRARAMBH :

Just like previous year, this year in December, Prarambh of Rajiv Gandhi college witnessed sports

enthusiasts as participants from BFC in various games like Kabaddi, Cricket and Three leg race.

There were 3 cricket teams, that is, **Team BFC, Team BBA and Team BCA.** The team BFC, which comprised of Sahil Gaikwad as Captain, Ayesha Siddiqui, Sagar Gautam, Toshnil Salam, Kedar Shinde, Sagar Singh, Ayaan Patel and Omkar



Khaire, played an eye-catching game till the second round. Other two teams couldn't qualify the initial round. The Kabaddi team had the same fortune.

Although Ayush Yadav and Yashpal Choudhary from TYBCA gave an exceptional blend of coordination and speed to secure 1st position in Three leg race.

The participation in Prarambh this year as noticed was reduced than the previous one. One of the reasons were on-going semester exams in college.

Kudos to the spirit and dedication of the participants, who gave a meaningful contribution in the inter-college sports events, despite the fact of the semester exams. Congratulations to those who qualified and won!

### VARJA :

In Airoli's New horizon college, it's annual fest conducted sports events, which comprised of our BFC's sports men and women in great spirit. This was from 26th to 28th December, 2024. BFC participated in Football

with a team of 8 participants, Badminton with two participants and carom with one participant

Altogether with sports and cultural events, Varja witnessed 21 participants from BFC. The wave of post semester exam participation was clearly visible.

Once again, a huge appreciation to those who stood up even during exams and choose to make a commendable difference, by setting a proud example

# Jog for *Clean and green*

## Bakliwal Students Shine at Swachh Navi Mumbai Half Marathon

The recent Swachh Navi Mumbai Half Marathon 2024 witnessed on 22nd December 2024, Sunday with a strong presence from Bakliwal Foundation College, with a dedicated team of students volunteering their time and energy to support the event. Organized by the Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation in partnership with IDBI Bank, LCF, Sakal Media and The Learnyard, the marathon aimed to promote health, fitness and environmental awareness within the city.

Students from FYBBA, FYBCA and SYBBA enthusiastically embraced the opportunity to contribute to this significant community event. Their roles were diverse, participant check-in to guidin' runners along the course and ensuring the smooth flow of traffic. The marathon, which flagged off at

5:30 AM from the NMMC Head Office to Manoj Circle and back to the NMMC Head

Office on Palm Beach Road, offered a variety of distances, catering to runners of all levels be it 3 kilometers, 5 kilometers, 10 kilometers, or the whole circle of 21km for the half marathon. Vaishnavi Sansare from FYBBA won a medal in this one .

The dedication and enthusiasm displayed by the Bakliwal Foundation College students were commendable. All volunteers were awarded certificates of participation in recognition of their valuable contributions to the success of the Swachh Navi Mumbai Half Marathon 2024. This event serves as an inspiring example of how student involvement can significantly impact community initiatives.

**-Sainath Arote , SYBBA**



## INTERVIEW RESULTS ARE OUT!

The mock interview's series was conducted in BFC by placement cell . The results for the same are as follows :

- Anjali Kandur , SYBACS
- Pratik Shinde, FYBBA
- Sahil Pimpalkar , FYBBA
- Anil Karaniya , TYBCA
- Himesh Singh , SYBBA
- Poonam Lohar , TYBCA
- Neha Kumbhar , SYBCA
- Niraj Darole , SYBBA
- Manas Oak , SYBCA ,
- Sujal Kadam , TYBCA
- Jhanvi Shetty , FYBBA
- Vishad Sarvagod, FYBBA
- Ayaan Shaikh, FYBBA
- Santosh Lohar , TYBBA

As stated by Placement committee, these students were referred as Smartest Brain of BFC , exceptional in their interviews and congratulations to them .

## ASK TO KNOW:

### INDIAN CONSTITUTION DAY AT BFC

On the occasion of Constitution Day , Departments of Arts organized a quiz contest for the students of BFC . These questions included factual guesses , descriptive answers , articles to articulate and more ,hosted by Ayesha Siddiqui along with technical support from Toshnil Salam and Omkar Chavan under the guidance of Prof . Rani D'souza ,HOD of Arts Department , Prof. Yugandhara Tambe and Prof. Rohit Vishwanath . The winners of this activity with 1st,2nd and 3rd position were Sahil Gaikwad , Sagar Gautam and Navya Menon respectively . Thus, students learnt quite a lot of aspects through this .

## Poetry to portray

# Reality

पंढरपूरच्या पांडुरंगा  
 पंढरपूरच्या पांडुरंगा तुझे डोळे बंद आहेत तेवढ देवा बर आहे ,  
 उघडशील डोळे उघडशील डोळे तर वीट सोडून पळून  
 जाशील.....

मंत्र्यांकडून तूझी पूजा  
 वारकऱ्यांना रांगेची सजा  
 रांगेशिवाय दर्शन नाही  
 अन  
 पैशाशिवाय स्पर्श ही नाही  
 म्हणूनच म्हणते पांडुरंगा तुझे डोळे बंद आहेत तेवढ देवा बर  
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 जाशील.....

ठकास राहण्यास ठक आहे  
 महा ठकास आश्रम आहे  
 खऱ्या भक्तास मात्र फुटपाथ आहे  
 म्हणूनच म्हणते पांडुरंगा तुझे डोळे बंद आहेत तेवढ देवा बर  
 आहे ,  
 उघडशील डोळे उघडशील डोळे तर वीट सोडून पळून  
 जाशील.....

चोखामेळा सावता नाही  
 जना नाही मुक्ता नाही  
 अभंग तुझे गाण्यास आता  
 खरा तुका भेटणार नाही  
 म्हणूनच म्हणते पांडुरंगा तुझे डोळे बंद आहेत तेवढ देवा बर  
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 जाशील.....

आता मात्र डोळे उघड  
 खरा भक्त शोधण्यासाठी  
 अन  
 उद्धार त्याचा करण्यासाठी  
 तरच आणि तरच तुला देवपण आहे  
 नाहीतर नुसत्या दगडाला पूजायला  
 कोणत्या माणसाला सवड आहे .....

**-Prof. Sneha Lokhande, Head of  
 Department of BCA**

Pandharpur's Panduranga,  
 your eyes are closed, and that's a blessing, O  
 Lord. If you open your eyes, you will leave in  
 fear...

Ministers worship you .  
 devotees are punished to follow the queue,  
 There is no vision of you without queuing  
 And  
 There is no worship without money ,  
 That's why I say, Panduranga, your eyes are  
 closed, and that's a blessing, O Lord if you  
 open your eyes, you will leave in fear...

The living ashram are closed,  
 there are huge ashrams to stay ,  
 But for a true devotee, there is only the  
 footpath ,  
 That's why I say, Panduranga, your eyes are  
 closed, and that's a blessing, O Lord. If you  
 open your eyes, you will leave in fear...

There is no Chokhamela, no Savata (Bhakti  
 Saints),  
 Jana is not free (Bhakti saint) ,  
 Now to sing your Abhang ,  
 The true Tukaram will not be found,  
 That's why I say, Panduranga, your eyes are  
 closed, and that's a blessing, O Lord. if you  
 open your eyes, you will leave in fear...

Now, at last, open your eyes ,  
 To find the true devotee  
 And  
 To save him ,  
 Only then, and only then, there is divinity ,  
 Otherwise, who has the time to worship a  
 mere stone?  
 Who has the time for that?

# A day of AWARENESS AND LEARNING

The National Service Scheme (NSS) of Bakliwal Foundation College organized a remarkable celebration of World AIDS Day on December 2, 2024. BFC's NSS led by faculty head prof. Umar shaikh, student heads Anjali Kandu and Ayaan Patel and Co-heads Vaishnavi Sansare and Harshit yadav , The program, held between 12 PM - 2 PM, aimed to spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and educate attendees about its prevention and management.

The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Dr. Archana Mahajan as the Chief Guest. The program began with an insightful speech by Dr. Sharad Kumar Shah sir the college principal, followed by the Chief Guest's address and words of encouragement from the College CEO, Mrs. Seema Bakliwal Ma'am. Their inspiring words emphasized the importance of understanding and eradicating the stigma surrounding AIDS. Dr. Archana Mahajan delivered an in-depth session on AIDS, elaborating on its causes, prevention strategies, and treatment options. The session was highly informative and well-received by the audience, enhancing their understanding of this crucial health issue. Adding an interactive twist, the NSS organized a quiz on Kahoot, where participants showcased their knowledge and enthusiasm. The winners were: Arhan – 1st place, Mannan – 2nd place, Maria – 3rd place.

The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, recognizing the efforts of all involved in making the program a success. Overall, the students found the event enjoyable and enriching, gaining a wealth of knowledge about HIV/AIDS. Such initiatives by the NSS committee play a vital role in fostering awareness and encouraging proactive health behavior among the youth.

**-Anjali Kandu , SYBACS**

# UNITE TO END

# V I O L E N C E

BFC's National service scheme committee led by faculty head Prof. Umar Shaikh , Student heads Anjali Kandu and Ayaan Patel and Co-heads Vaishnavi Sansare and Harshit Yadav, organized an event about International day for the elimination of violence against the women on 25th November 2024. It was in co-collaboration with College Social Responsibility committee , Women Development Cell and Redressal Cell. This day was enlightened by the esteemed presence of Chief Executive Officer, Mrs. Seema Bakliwal and Principal of our college , Dr. Sharad Kumar Shah. The insightful event included a comprehensive and facts based presentation by Prof. Rani D'souza , who explained the causes , statistics and solution of the cause . Moreover, students of Bakliwal Foundation College played a skit to portray the reality in front of us with remarkable message behind it . The event successfully delivered the remark to eliminate violence against women , as the main theme for this year highlighted in the presentation was #NoExcuse.