



BAKLIWAL FOUNDATION

College of Arts, Commerce & Science, Vashi

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Mindscales – The Book Club

Where Books Breathe and Ideas Live!

1. Preamble

Mindscales - The Book Club at Bakliwal Foundation College of Arts, Commerce & Science, Vashi [BFCACS] is established as an academic and cultural initiative aimed at nurturing the joy of reading, critical inquiry, and intellectual exchange among students and faculty members. In an era where technology and digital media often overshadow the habit of sustained reading, the *Mindscales - The Book Club* seeks to restore the value of books as sources of knowledge, imagination, and dialogue.

It provides a platform where diverse genres - ranging from literature, fiction, and non-fiction to biographies, poetry, and scholarly works - can be explored and discussed. The Club endeavors to encourage members to engage with ideas beyond the syllabus, fostering creativity, cultural appreciation, and interdisciplinary learning.

Through interactive reading sessions, author interactions, book review circles, and literary events, the *Mindscales - The Book Club* contributes to the holistic development of students. It aspires to cultivate empathy, effective communication, and open-mindedness, while strengthening the academic ethos of the institution. Ultimately, the Club envisions itself as a hub of lifelong learning, where reading is celebrated as a journey of self-discovery, knowledge-sharing, and community-building.

2. Vision

To cultivate a vibrant community of readers who engage in lifelong learning, critical thinking, and cultural exchange through the shared love of books.

3. Mission

- ✚ To foster a love for reading among students and faculty.
- ✚ To promote intellectual dialogue, creativity, and cultural awareness.



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- ✚ To provide a platform for sharing ideas, interpretations, and experiences through books.
- ✚ To encourage interdisciplinary learning and holistic personality development.

4. Goals

- ✚ Build a strong reading culture within the college.
- ✚ Enhance communication, analytical, and critical thinking skills.
- ✚ Create opportunities for literary appreciation and creative expression.
- ✚ Encourage inclusivity and respect for diverse perspectives through literature.

5. Objectives

- ✚ Organize regular book reading, review, and discussion sessions.
- ✚ Invite authors, poets, and scholars for interactive talks.
- ✚ Conduct inter-collegiate book review competitions, debates, and quizzes.
- ✚ Promote the reading of both academic and non-academic books.
- ✚ Maintain a curated list of recommended readings for students.
- ✚ Encourage contributions of reflections, reviews, and creative writings by students.

6. Working Guidelines

- ✚ **Membership:** Open to all interested students and faculty members.
- ✚ **Meetings:** At least one meeting will be conducted every month.
- ✚ **Leadership:** A President, Secretary, and Coordinators will be appointed annually.



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- ✚ **Participation:** Members are expected to actively engage in discussions with respect and openness.
- ✚ **Book Selection:** Members may suggest titles/themes, finalized by consensus.
- ✚ **Collaboration:** Activities will align with the academic calendar and coordinate with the college library and cultural committees.

7. Proposed Activities

- ✚ Monthly book discussions and review sessions.
- ✚ “Author of the Month” series featuring talks and reflections.
- ✚ Interdisciplinary thematic reading circles.
- ✚ Annual Literary Fest including competitions (book reviews, quizzes, debates).
- ✚ Book exhibitions and library collaborations.
- ✚ Creative writing and storytelling workshops.
- ✚ Publication of a “Read & Reflect” newsletter/blog featuring student writings.
- ✚ Outreach initiatives promoting reading in schools and community spaces.




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