

## ILS MARATHI DEBATING SOCIETY (MARATHI VAAD SABHA)

**Introduction:** ILS Marathi Debating Society is the primary platform for all debating, discussion, and deliberating and trains students to develop strong arguments. The society is also responsible for conducting the prestigious State Level Elocution Competition and also provides a platform to all to express their views and opinion in open sessions like *Swachchanda*, *Kaydyacha Bola*, etc. The Society seeks to build a solid foundation for students to succeed in critical thinking and the exploration of various ideas.

**Faculty Coordinators:** Ms. Mugdha Hedau and Mr. Ashish Pawar

**Student Coordinators:** Tejas Teli, Nirmohi Bansod, Sharmishtha Dongare, Chetan Rakshe, Anushka Ganjave, Tushar Gajbhiye (all V BA LLB); Renuka Sulakhe, Vaibhavi Jagtap, Prasad Langote, Gaurav Takale, Sanket Madane (all IV BA LLB) and Ketaki Kshirsagar (III LLB).

### Details of activity conducted under *Kaydyache Bola* (Advocacy-Related Sessions)

- **Title of Session:** Notice Writing

**Date:** September 13, 2022

**Mode :** Offline

**Resource Person:** Tejas Teli (V BA LLB)

**No. of Participants:** 30

**Report:** This session on Notice Drafting in Marathi Language was conducted in order to get students acquainted with the court procedures and impart the skill of notice drafting.

- **Title of Session:** Using Legal Dictionary

**Date:** September 20, 2022

**Mode:** Offline

**Resource Person:** Tejas Teli (V BA LLB)

**No. of Participants:** 25

**Report:** This was a session on usage of Marathi Legal Dictionary. In this session participants were informed about the Marathi Legal Dictionary available in our college

library. This session also informed about the importance of knowledge of the Marathi language for practicing advocates in Courts.

- **Title of Session:** Discussion on Reservation Policy

**Date:** November 15, 2022

**Mode:** Offline

**Resource Person:** Sharmishtha Dongare (IV BA LLB)

**No. of Participants:** 25

**Report:** This session was conducted with the aim of helping participants to construct arguments. 'Reservation Policy' was taken as a topic, around which the arguments were constructed for and against the motion. Sharmishtha discussed the philosophical and legal aspects of the topic during the session.

- **Title of Session:** Types of Statutes

**Date:** March 14, 2023

**Mode:** Offline

**Resource Person:** Tejas Teli (V BA LLB)

**No. of Participants:** 20

**Report:** This session had a discussion on various types of Statute. This session briefly discussed kinds of statutes and informed them regarding how to read a statute. Various legislations were used as examples for this session to make the participants learn the same.

#### **Details of activity conducted under Swachchand (Open Mic Sessions)**

- **Title of Session:** Swachchand

**Date:** August 30, 2022

**Mode:** offline

**No. of Participants:** 35

**Report:** Marathi Vaad Sabha has provided an open platform for the students to present the thoughts that they have penned down in the form of poetry or a piece of writing on various subjects like their experiences as youth, on life, the pursuit of happiness, etc.

- **Title of Session:** Yuvak Divas

**Date:** January 12, 2023

**Mode:** offline

**No. of Participants:** 40

**Report:** National Youth Day was celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda by reading and reciting some of the inspiring literature for Youths. Students presented a brief biography of Swami Vivekananda and learnings from his spiritual journey were also discussed. Some paragraphs from his Chicago speech were also recited.

- **Title of Session:** Poetry (*Aathvanitil Kavita*)

**Date:** January 17, 2023

**Mode:** offline

**No. of Participants:** 46

**Report:** This session was dedicated to Marathi Poetry where we recited some of the classic poems like *Kana V.V. Shirvadkar*, *Zuluk* by Damodar Kare, etc.

- **Title of Session:** Marathi Bhasha

**Date:** March 03, 2023

**Mode:** offline

**No. of Participants:** 37

**Report:** This session was the extension of the celebration of *Marathi Bhasha Gaurav Din*. Students presented their views and expressed their love and respect towards Marathi Language.

- **Title of Session:** Gratitude Session

**Date:** April 20, 2023

**Mode:** offline

**No. of Participants:** 50

**Report:** This was a retrospection and gratitude session. The debating society took an overview of all the activities conducted and scope for improvement was discussed.

Students presented their gratitude towards each other. The 4th year students organised a farewell for the 5<sup>th</sup> year students. Batch video was also presented for the core team members of passing out batch 2022-23.

### **Vaad- Vivad Satra (Debate and Training Sessions)**

- **Title of Session:** Training and Guidance session on Moot Court

**Date:** August 28, 2022

**Mode:** offline

**Resource Person:** Tejas Teli (V BA LLB)

**No. of Participants:** 45

**Report of the Session:** A training session on how to prepare for the Moot was conducted where understanding moot problem, conducting research on various laws, cases, etc.were discussed. The society resolved to organize Marathi Moot Court Competition.

- **Title of Session:** Debate and its essentials

**Date:** September 27, 2022

**Mode:** offline

**Resource Person:** Sharmishtha Dongare (V BA LLB)

**No. of Participants:** 29

**Report of the Session:** The essentials of debating were discussed. It included choosing the topic of the debate, arranging the argument and presenting it- body language, voice modulation, concluding the argument, etc. The difference between parliamentary and conventional debate and their rules were also discussed.

- **Title of Session:** Practice Debate

**Date:** February 8, 2023

**Mode:** offline

**No. of Participants:** 25

**Report:** In order to make students aware of conventional debating- rules, regulations and procedures, regular practice debating session was held on two topics-

1. Should Capital Punishment be banned?
2. Is the fourth pillar of Democracy collapsing?

**Competitions conducted:-** Marathi Vaada Sabha conducted two Competitions. Details are given below:

- **Title of the Competition:** State-Level Marathi Elocution Competition

**Date:** February 10, 2023

**Level –** State Level

**Judges:** Mrs. Anjali Apte (Retired District and Sessions Court judge, Pune) and Mr. Navhesh Patil (Teacher, Modern High School, Pune)

**No. of Participants:** 60

**Report:**

Marathi Vaad sabha on February 10, 2023 had successfully organized a State-Level Marathi Elocution Competition. 60 students from overall Maharashtra participated in this Competition. The topics for the elocution were as follows.

1. Nyayvyavastha: Kal, Aaj ani Udyo
2. Pardhyachya Palavar Ye Ga Lokshahi
3. Vidyarthi andolane ani Vidyapithe
4. Satya Asatyashi Man Kele Gvahi, Maniyale Nahi Bahumata

The competition was in Marathi language. The students were given the time of 5 minutes to present their case. They were judged on the basis of content, understanding of the topic, presentation and timing.

**Winners and Prize Details:**

First Prize: Shubham Nikam, Rs. 7000, Certificate and Trophy

Second Prize: Prajwal Naravade, Rs. 5000, Certificate and Trophy

Third Prize: Ruchika Chaudhari, Rs. 3000, Certificate and Trophy

Consolation Prize 1: Parag Badrike, Rs. 1000, Certificate and Trophy

Consolation Prize 2: Aalisha Mohite, Rs. 1000, Certificate and Trophy

**Details of Collaboration/ sponsorship:**

1. Main sponsor - *Surve's*
2. First Prize was sponsored by Ms. Akanksha Chaugule, Chairperson, Dnyanjyoti Multipurpose Social Organization, Umarga
3. Second Prize was sponsored by Mr. Ramesh Marne, Advocate, Bombay High Court and District and Sessions Court, Pune
4. Third Prize was sponsored by Mr. Raghunath Madane, Social Worker and Teacher, Shri. Bhairavnath Vidyalay Khandvi, Ahmednagar.
5. Consolation Prize 1 was sponsored in the memory of the late Mr. Shrikant Pathak, Kolhapur by his grand-daughter.
6. Consolation Prize 2 was sponsored by Smt. Nandadevi Bhausahab Gadilkar, Shrigonda.

- **Title of the Competition:** Intra College Marathi Debate Competition

**Date:** February 11, 2023

**Level** – Intra College level

**Judge:** Dr. Manisha Ware (Ph.D. in Marathi language)

Dr. Manisha Ware is a public writer. In her writings she has unravelled the deep emotions of women. She has also written on Durga Bhagwat, Savtribai Phule, Vinoba Bhave, etc.

**No. of Participants:** 20

**Report:**

Marathi Vaad Sabha in association with SWISSAID has organized a debate competition. The topic of the competition was 'MARITAL RAPE'. SWISSAID is a non- governmental organization working on women's issues like child marriage, domestic violence, etc. ILS Law College and SWISSAID are doing a project on domestic violence. This competition was judged by Dr. Manisha Ware who is a public writer. In her writings she has unravelled the deep emotions of women. She has also written on Durga Bhagwat, Savitribai Phule, Vinoba Bhave, etc.

**Winners and Prize Details:**

Winning Team: Vijeta Kulkarni and Tejas Teli, Rs. 4000, Certificate and Trophy

Runners up: Shyam Ghule and Sahil Khade, Certificate and Trophy

Best Speaker: Tejas Teli, Rs. 2000, Certificate and Trophy

**Details of Collaboration/ sponsorship:**

SWISSAID

**Other Activities conducted: Apart from Sessions and competitions, Marathi Vaad Sabha also conducted Marathi Bhasha Sanvardhan Pandhravada.**

- **Title of the Activity: Marathi Bhasha Sanvardhan Pandhravada** (Marathi Language Conservation Fortnightly Celebration)

Duration: January 14- 28, 2023

As a part of the fortnight celebration, the following four events were conducted.

**1. Documentary Screening: *Shantata! Marathiche Court Chalu Aahe***

**Date:** January 23, 2023

**No. of participants:** 45

**Report:** In order to understand the importance of Marathi Language and the demand to get the recognition of it as a classic language (*Abhijat Bhasha*) the documentary titled 'Shantata! Marathiche Court Chalu Aahe' was screened by Marathi Vishvakosh.

**2. Keertan**

**Topic:** Sant Vangmay (Literature of Saints in Marathi)

**Date:** January 24, 2023

**Resource Person:** Prachi Saravade (II BA LLB)

**No. of participants:** 35

**Report:** In order to understand the important contributions of the Varkari sect, Keertan on Literature of Marathi Saints was organized.

**3. Handwriting Competition**

**Date:** January 25, 2023

**No. of participants:** 30

**Winner:** Anushka Shekhar

**Judge:** Ms. Mugdha Hedau

**Report:** We wanted students not to just speak in Marathi language but to use Devnagari Script on the occasion of Marathi Language Conservation Celebrations. Hence handwriting competition was conducted to encourage students to practice and use Devnagari script.

#### **4. Quiz Competition**

**Topic:** Marathi Language and Literature

**Date:** January 27, 2023

**No. of participants:** 28

**Winners:** Sakshi Sabnis, Swati Dhadwad and Sejal Narwade

**Report:** It was a fun activity through which we tried to convey some knowledge regarding the essentials of Marathi Language and Literature. The questions on Marathi idioms, proverbs, books, movies, etc. were asked in the quiz. Students who are not acquainted with the Marathi Language also participated and enjoyed the quiz.

#### **Participation of ILS Students who made us proud in various competitions:**

**Siddhi Kale (I BALLB)** participated and represented the college at the state-level elocution competition organized by Swarajya Mitra Mandal at Junnar. She has argued on the topic of '*Punha Modich Ka?*' The student has secured Third prize in the competition.

**Vijeta Kulkarni and Sharlika Chavan (I BALLB)** participated and represented the college in the annual National Level Elocution Competition organized in the memory of Late Dr. P. G. Sahasrabuddhe by S. P. College (Autonomous), Pune. Both the students presented a speech on the topic of India's G20 Presidency: A Step Closer To '*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*'

**Prachi Sarvade (I BALLB)** participated and represented the college in the prestigious Moropant Inter-collegiate Elocution & Debate Competition organized by Tuljaram Chaturchand College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Baramati. She delivered a speech on '*Swatantyacha Amrut Mohotsav*'.



**Vijeta Kulkarni (I BALLB)** participated in the State Level Inter-Collegiate Elocution Competition organized by Yashwantrao Chavan Law College, Pune. The student presented a speech on '*Apan Strichya Garbhaparyant Pohochlo Pan Gabaryaparyant Nahi*'.