

History Department- 2019-2020

In the academic year 2019-20, History Department of Elphinstone college hosted various events promoting History and Heritage Studies. Visits to locations with high significance to Heritage of India, Workshops, Quiz, Essay Competitions, Poster-making and such were organized by the department on multiple occasions. Ranade society of History students, remained active throughout the year focusing on creating awareness through social programs, Chart making, displaying documentaries, and short stories related to History & General Affairs. A huge response was received from the student body participating in these events. To name a few:

- **Mani Bhavan Visit:** A visit to Mani Bhavan was organized on the occasion of 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.
- **Quiz and Elocution Competition** on 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.
- **National Museum of Indian Cinema:** A visit to National Museum of Indian Cinema was organized for the T.Y. students of the department with History as their Major.
- **Poster-making** on various important Heritage Sites in India.
- **Know Your Coins Workshop:** : The workshop titled “Know Your Coins – Know Your History” was conducted by Indian Numismatics, Historical and Cultural Research Foundation (INHCRF), in collaboration with Hinduja Foundation. Dr. Amiteshwar Jha (Director of INHCRF) guided students through the extensive subject of Numismatics . It has been a great learning experience for the students as it was hand-on experience dealing with ancient coins.
- **Heritage in Maharashtra-** A Guest Lecture on ‘Heritage of Maharashtra’ was organized by the Department of History on 13th March 2020 in collaboration with Centre for Extra Mural Studies, University of Mumbai. The lecture was conducted by Dr. Prachi Moghe, Assistant Professor at CEMS. A very detailed presentation on Cultural and Natural Heritage of Maharashtra was delivered by Dr. Prachi Moghe which was followed by a thorough Q&A with the students as well as the attending faculty. It was immensely beneficial for the students as the topics covered were a part of their syllabus.

Along with the events organized under Department of History, the students of the departments also showed a noteworthy participation in events and activities arranged by Renowned Institutions from time to time. To name a few:

- **Naval Dockyard Visit:** As visit to Naval dockyard was arranged by the students on the occasion of **Kargil Vijay Diwas**. (26th July 2019)
- **H. L. Gupta Memorial Lecture:** Students attended a lecture by Dr. Sonia Nishant Amin (Former Professor, Department of History, Dhaka University, Bangladesh) on “Images of the New Women in Early 20th Century through Women’s Writings in Bengal” organized by the Department of History, SNTD Women’s University.
- **International Symposium on “Intangible Heritage”:** Students attended a symposium on “Intangible Heritage” organized by the auspicious Asiatic Society of Mumbai.
- **Symbiosis Round Table:** Students showed avid participation for the round table discussion on “*The Emerging Global Landscape: Challenges and Opportunities for India*” which was conducted by Symbiosis School of International Studies in collaboration with Xavier’s Political Science Association. The round table was headed by Honourable Amb. (Retd.) Mr. Talmiz Ahmad (Former Ambassador of India to Saudi Arabia, Oman and the UAE and Former Director General for Indian Council of World Affairs) and Professor Shivali Lawale (Director of SISS).