

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORT OF HISTORY AND FOUNDATION
COURSE**

Name of department: -	Department of History and Foundation Course
Faculty :-	1. Dr. Sonali Pednekar MA, M.Phil., PhD 2. Dr. Preeta Nilesh MA, M.Phil., PhD 3. Mrs. Satwant Balse MA, M.Phil, M.B.A.
Technical and administrative staff:-	Nil
Physical infrastructure:	A cubicle, cupboards, tables and chairs
Programmes and subjects taught:	1. FYBA- History Paper I – Landmarks in World History (From Renaissance to 1945) – till 2010. Revised to Socio-Economic History of Mumbai (1845 – 1960) in 2010 -11 2. SYBA History II - History of Asia excluding India 3. History III - Ancient Indian History (From earliest times to 1000 A.D.) 4. TYBA History IV- History of Medieval India (1000 A.D. – 1707 A. D.) 5. History V - History of Modern India (1857 A.D. – 1984 A.D.) 6. History VI (B) - Elements of Archaeology, Museology and Library Science 7. History VII - History of the Marathas 8. History VIII - History of Contemporary World 9. History XI (B) - Research Methodology
Other courses and programmes:	1. Dr. Sonali Pednekar, Head of the Dept. has designed a curriculum in Manuscriptology (Modi Lipi) since 2008 to impart training in Modi script to students of various colleges in Mumbai. 2. This curriculum is taught through a ten week certificate programme at Vaze College and Heras Institute of Indian History and Culture, St. Xavier's College, Mumbai. Several batches have successfully completed this course 3. The Department has undertaken remedial coaching for the weaker students

Add – on course of UGC career oriented course under X Plan by the department:	---
Revision of syllabus by the university (since 2005 subject and year):	The syllabus for all the papers was revised from the year 2005 and was implemented progressively for all the classes
Salient features of the department:	<p>No. of faculty 03 PG recognition 02 PhD guides 01 Papers taught 09 (History) and 03 (Foundation Course) No of seminars conducted (interdisciplinary/ State level) 01 Total no of publications 12 Total no of workshops/ seminars attended - 54 No of participation at international conferences - 12 No of research projects completed and in progress- 04 completed; 01 in progress No of consultancy projects - 03 No of PG students -- No of PhD students- 02 No of PhD degrees awarded Other programs: 01 M.Phil completed and 01 in progress</p>
Projects undertaken, completed:	<p>Dr. Sonali Pednekar was</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Awarded the Teacher Fellowship for two years from 2005 – 2007 under the X Plan of the U.G.C. to complete doctoral research. She was awarded Ph. D degree by the University of Mumbai, March 2008. 2 Commissioned by the Gazetteer Department, Maharashtra State Government to write the history of Pravara, Ahmednagar district in 2009 3 Awarded a Minor Research Grant from the University of Mumbai, 2009 – 2010. She undertook a research project entitled “The Study of Architectural Styles of Some Buildings in Thane”.
	<p>Dr. Preeta Nilesh</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed a UGC Minor Research Project to study the History of the

	<p>Hospitality Industry in the nineteenth century Bombay for the period 2007-09 titled, "Situating Colonial Hospitality in Nineteenth Century Bombay"</p> <p>2. Awarded the Avabai Wadia Research Fellowship for a post-doctoral project on "Restaurant Culture in Suburban Mumbai: The Impact of Globalization on Public Dining" for a two year period in 2010</p>
<p>Seminars conducted by the department:</p>	<p>The Dept. organized the following guest lectures:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do You Know Mumbai by Dr. M.D. David, 2005 2. First Person Narratives on Indo – Pak War 1965 and Disaster Management, 1993 Riots 3. One week film festival to commemorate the sesquicentennial year of the Revolt of 1857 Films that were screened were 1) Jhansi ki Rani 2) Shatranj ke Khiladi 3) Junoon 4) Kranti 5) Mangal Pandey and Umrao Jaan 4. Glimpses of Higher Education in Canada by Dr. Sonali Pednekar, July 2008 5. Field Archaeology by Dr. Kishor Gaikwad, 2008 6. Relevance of Maratha History by Dr. Sumitra Kulkarni, 2009 7. Careers in History by Dr. Sonali Pednekar, 2009
<p>Consultancy projects</p>	<p>Dr. Sonali Pednekar</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Offered consultancy service in the year 2009 to Ms. Godrej & Boyce for transliteration of 20 documents in Modi script pertaining to years 1907 and 1914 2. Offered consultancy in the year 2010 to Ms. Bharat Impex Corporation for transliteration of documents running up to 360 pages in Modi script pertaining to the financial year 1909 – 10. <p>Dr. Preeta Nilesh was</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Appointed Research Associate by the

	<p>MMRDA Heritage Conservation Society with a Heritage Conservation Grant for a project titled Listing Present Fabric Status And Conservation Plan For Fountains and Pvyavs in the City of Mumbai which was completed and submitted to the MMRHCS</p>
<p>Contribution of the department to college administration and activities</p>	<p>The entire faculty has been members of Admission Committee at Vaze College for admission of students to BA Classes</p> <p>Dr. Sonali Pednekar</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Head of Department since 1986 2. Member of the IQAC from 2007 3. Co-ordinator, IQAC from 2009. 4. Co-ordinator, Steering Committee <p>Dr. Preeta Nilesh</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Member of Students' Council at Vaze College 2. Functioned as Head of Dept of History and Foundation Course from June 2005-07. 3. Chairperson of the Fine Arts Committee (2006 –to date) 4. Convenor of the Vaze Lecture Series for the Silver Jubilee Year 5. Member of the Magazine Committee (2006 – 09) 6. Member of Examination Committee at Vaze College since 2009 for a period of three years. 7. Elected Member of the Local Management Committee in the reconstituted committee as Teacher Representative in December 2009 for a period of 5 years <p>Mrs. Satwant Balse</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Member of the Gymkhana Committee in 2005-06 2. Convenor of Dimensions (inter collegiate event) from 2006 - 09
<p>Student profile</p>	

Class F.Y.B.A HISTORY					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 – 06	11	31	36	92	84.78
2006 - 07	24	26	26	101	75.24
2007 - 08	8	23	29	108	55.55
2008 - 09	9	20	28	110	51.81
2009 - 10	0	19	27	103	53.33
2010 - 11	18	26	32	95	80.00
Class S.Y.B.A History					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 – 06	06	38	45	100	89
2006 - 07	04	34	36	82	90.24
2007 - 08	02	16	29	87	54.02
2008 - 09	09	33	40	86	95.34
2009 - 10	12	19	39	88	79.54
2010 - 11	03	26	37	84	78.57
Class T.Y.B.A					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 – 06	05	06	02	14	92.8
2006 - 07	05	10	02	18	94.44
2007 - 08	02	13	02	17	100
2008 - 09	07	02	--	10	90
2009 - 10	04	13	05	02	100
2010 - 11	06	12	--	18	100
Class : F.Y.B.A F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 – 06	65	109	31	214	94.79
2006 - 07	80	106	32	241	90.45
2007 - 08	125	70	15	227	92.51
2008 - 09	92	73	41	227	90.74
2009 - 10	84	76	25	200	92.50
2010 - 11	60	97	49	215	95.81
Class S.Y.B.A F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 – 06	4	87	109	223	89.69
2006 - 07	4	70	109	197	92.89
2007 - 08	4	66	112	211	86.25
2008 - 09	25	110	52	198	94.44
2009 - 10	44	101	37	188	96.80
2010 - 11	30	89	51	179	94.97
Class : F.Y.B.Com F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 – 06	196	215	83	511	96.67
2006 - 07	158	236	94	506	96.44
2007 - 08	233	177	35	467	95.28

2008 - 09	277	134	38	451	87.69
2009 - 10	230	171	51	469	96.37
2010 - 11	294	129	31	461	98.48
Class S.Y.B.Com F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 - 06	36	229	145	428	95.79
2006 - 07	35	200	216	464	97.19
2007 - 08	24	236	163	453	93.37
2008 - 09	209	207	27	445	95.55
2009 - 10	134	258	46	445	98.42
2010 - 11	183	223	34	442	99.54
Class : F.Y.B.Sc Regular F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 - 06	42	77	17	136	100
2006 - 07	17	65	25	112	95.53
2007 - 08	30	71	19	130	92.30
2008 - 09	29	45	09	95	87.36
2009 - 10	61	83	24	177	94.91
2010 - 11	109	34	09	160	95.00
Class S.Y.B.Sc Regular F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 - 06	15	47	23	90	94.44
2006 - 07	24	50	26	117	85.47
2007 - 08	16	48	23	89	97.75
2008 - 09	39	61	03	105	98.09
2009 - 10	10	60	14	84	100
2010-11	13	75	10	99	98.98
Class : F.Y.B.Sc Bio- Technology F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 - 06	31	07	01	39	100
2006 - 07	08	20	01	29	100
2007 - 08	25	10	00	36	97.22
2008 - 09	30	00	00	30	100
2009 - 10	12	16	00	29	96.55
2010-11	33	00	00	33	100
Class S.Y.B.Sc Bio- Technology F.C					
YEAR	I Class	II class	Pass class	Total	% pass
2005 - 06	21	10	00	31	100
2006 - 07	27	11	00	38	100
2007 - 08	26	08	00	34	100
2008 - 09	31	02	00	33	100
2009 - 10	20	10	00	30	100
2010-11	21	09	00	30	100
Innovations in teaching methods:			1. The faculty makes use of ICT and a number of other interactive and learner		

	<p>friendly methods of teaching. In the TYBA class the students make use of survey methods for conducting interviews in order to submit a project.</p> <p>2. Teaching of F.C. provides an excellent platform for doing away with the traditional methods of teaching and experimenting with more learner centered methods. The FC paper requires the students to undertake project work as part of the syllabus. The students are encouraged to select topics of their choice related to the syllabus on which they may make class presentations. The students prepare charts, posters and read small papers leading to discussions and debates in the classrooms. Certain topics are covered in the form of one act plays, role playing, quiz, lec – dems and power point presentations by the students. Such project presentations are observed and evaluated by the teacher.</p>
<p>Innovations in evaluation methods:</p>	<p>1. The examination pattern of the Univ. of Mumbai necessitates the submission of a 20 mark project in Foundation Course paper by the students of the FY/SYBA/BCom/BSc students. The teachers of the Dept. evaluate these projects. As the teachers of the Dept. teach F.C. which is an interdisciplinary paper, projects of as many as 1000 students are evaluated.</p> <p>2. TYBA students write assignments in the form of answers at the end of every sub-topic/ topic per paper taught to them. Such assignments are prepared by referring to the reading list provided to them by the teachers. The assignments are discussed at length in the classroom whereby the inputs of all the students can be ascertained. Suggestions for improvement are made by the teachers. Students then take tests on the topics. The tests are</p>

	assessed and marked by the teacher. This process of continuous evaluation prepares them to take the Univ. exam.		
Plans for coming 5 years	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The faculty intends to further pursue research in their fields of interest. 2. Mrs. Satwant Balse is working on her doctoral thesis which she intends to submit in the next few years. 3. The faculty also plans to increase the use of ICT in class room teaching. 4. The department will continue to arrange study tours for students to generate and sustain interest in the subject. 5. Students of the department have always been encouraged to participate in inter collegiate activities related to the subject 		
Annual budget of the department for the library			
Year	Allocation (Rs)	Utilization (Rs)	
2005 – 06	8,100.00 + 3200.00/ 3150.00 + 1200.00	12,321.00 +5669.00 / 00.00 + 2348.00	
2006 - 07	9,000.00+ 3200.00/ 3500.00 + 1200.00	5,755.00 + 6931.00 / 00.00 + 1058.00	
2007 - 08	11,900.00+ 3200.00 / 3000.00 + 1200.00	8,461.00 + 13507.00 /5453.00 +00.00	
2008 - 09	11,900.00+ 5000.00 / 3000.00 + 1000.00	6,489.00 + 8296.00 / 4853.00 + 00.00	
2009 - 10	11,500.00	1,717.00 / 740.00	
Books in library ----308 / 123----- Journals			
Prominent alumni			
Name	Field	India/ Abroad	Other details
Neha Dhavale	Archaeology	India	
Prathamesh Karle	UPSC	India	
Rucha Tamhane	Archaeology	India	
Hanoz Patel	Museologist	India	
Christy Nadar	Hotel industry	India	
Pritesh Parekh	Business	India	
Huma Shaikh		India	
Dyanada Kulkarni	Museologist	India	
Ketaki Kelkar	Photography	India	
Other highlights:	1. The dept. organizes Alumni meets annually since 2008 - 09 which was the Silver Jubilee Year of the college. More than 75 former students attended the first		

	<p>meet. This idea was well received by the alumni who also sponsored the event.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. An exhibition of models and replicas of historical sites was organized by the students of the department. The models and replicas were made by the students.3. In collaboration with the American Centre a photo exhibition was arranged in college to show case American History in 2009.4. Students of TYBA are taken to Chhatrapati Shivaji Vastusangrahalaya (Museum) every year.5. Students of TYBA are taken on a 4 -5 days study tour of historical sites. The members of the Department accompany the students. During the tour, the students visit places of historical importance and each night make short presentations on what they have seen and learnt throughout the day.6. Students were taken to INS7. Students of the Dept. are sent to participate in various programmes, especially on Research Methodology related to History organized in different colleges of Mumbai.8. Organized the Model United Nations Competition during Dimensions, 2010
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