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Principal's Desk

With the reopening of the college, academic activities have begun in full swing. It is heartening to see the campus once again vibrant with the presence of students and faculty members actively engaging in various academic pursuits. Our newly admitted students are gradually adjusting to the college environment and have already started participating in departmental activities and other programmes.

It is important for every student to involve themselves wholeheartedly in all academic activities. Active participation not only helps in understanding subjects better but also plays a crucial role in enhancing one's skills. Be it communication skills, critical thinking, teamwork, or leadership, all these are developed when students take initiative and remain engaged in the learning process.

At the same time, this is a period for all faculty members to focus their efforts on guiding students to achieve their academic goals successfully. Teachers play a vital role in mentoring students, motivating them, and ensuring that their academic journey is meaningful and productive.

Our institution strongly believes that curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities together shape the all-round development of students. Therefore, we will continue to create opportunities that help nurture your talents and strengthen your abilities.

Let us work together to make this academic year a successful one, helping each student progress towards their goals with confidence and excellence.

Prof Vishwanatha P
Principal

PhD Awarded



Dr Ashwini S Shetty, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Psychology, has been awarded a PhD degree from Karnataka University, Dharwad. She defended her thesis titled “Impact of Digital Screen Use on Cognitive Functioning, Emotional Regulation and Quality of Life in Adolescence”, under the guidance of Dr Rajeshwari Kenchappanavar, Department of Psychology, Karnataka University, Dharwad on 08 July 2025.



Dr Ganavi D, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, has been awarded PhD degree from Mangalore University, Konaje. She defended her thesis titled “Synthesis and Biological Activity Studies of Some Simple and Fused Nitrogenous Heterocycles”, under the guidance of Prof Boja Poojary, Chairman, Department of Chemistry, Mangalore University, Konaje on 11 July 2021.

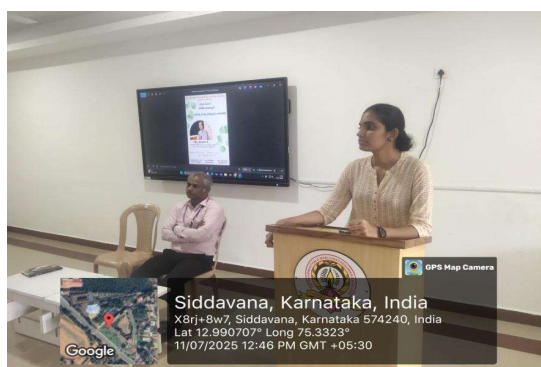
Recognised as Research Guides



Dr Prarthana J, Head, Dr Girish Kumar K, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Biotechnology, and Dr Shrisha Naik Bajpe, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology are officially recognised as Research Guides in the field of Biotechnology by the Mangalore University. This recognition authorises them to supervise research work leading to the award of PhD degree in Biotechnology.

Guest Lectures

- The Department of Kannada organised a guest lecture on the topic “Sahithya mattu Madhyama Baravanige” by Ms Rashmi Yadav K, Content Writer and Social Media Manager, Political Consultancy, Bengaluru on 11 July 2025. Dr Rajashekhar, Assistant Professor, coordinated the event.



- The Department of Chemistry organised a guest lecture on the topic “Traditional Indian Knowledge: A Scientific Perspective” by Dr Arpan Kumar Nayak, Assistant Professor, Regional Institute of Education (NCERT), Mysuru on 12 July 2025. The resource person emphasised that Indian traditional knowledge encompasses a vast and diverse set of systems, practices and understanding developed over thousands of years from generations to generations covering a wide range of disciplines such as philosophy, medicine, agriculture, astronomy, art, architecture and more. Prof Vishwanatha P, Principal of the College, graced the occasion. Prof Shridhara N Bhatta, Registrar Administration, Sri Ganesh Nayak, Registrar Evaluation, Dr Sowmya B P, Dean of PG Centre, and all the faculty members of the department witnessed the programme. About 150 students attended the programme.


- The Department of Commerce organised a special lecture on the topic “Self-reliant India: Don’t be a job seeker, be a job provider” for the students of I BCom, in association with the ED Cell of the College. Sri K Jagadheesha, Senior Speaker, Swadeshi Jagaran Manch, Bangalore, was the resource person. A total of 200 students attended the programme.


- The Department of History organised an alumni interaction by Ms Srushti M for the final year BA students on 7 July 2025. She spoke about her journey in SDM and future career opportunities in History. Dr Sanmathi Kumar, HoD, and Ms Abhijna Upadhyaya, Assistant Professor, coordinated the event. 27 students attended the session.

Alumni Interactions

- The Department of Home Science organised an alumni interaction by Ms Kshithishri for the first year Home Science students on 3 July 2025. She spoke on the “Opportunities and Courses in Home Science, and Home Science for Lifelong Learning”. Ms Shobha S, Head, coordinated the event.



- The Department of Political Science organised an alumni interaction by Mr Glen Anestone Monis, pursuing Postgraduation at Dhayanandha Vidyasagar Law College, Bangalore, for the first year Political Science students on 4 July 2025. He spoke on the topic, “Self-Assessment and Career Exploration”. He encouraged students to reflect on their strengths, interests, and long-term goals in order to make informed decisions about their academic and professional paths.



- The Department of English organised an alumni interaction by Mr Sham Prasad, Senior Executive – Strategy Planning, JioStar India, Bangalore, for III BA Optional English students on 8 July 2025. The speaker spoke on the topic “Text to Script: An Exploration of a Student’s Life from Literature Classes to the Script Writer of a Media House”.



of a Media House”. Mr Sooryanarayana Bhat P, Associate Professor of English, coordinated the event.

- The Department of Commerce organised an alumni interaction by Ms Rashmi Yadav, Content Writer & Social Media Manager, Political Consultancy, Bangalore, for II BCom 'D' section students on 12 July 2025. The speaker spoke on the topic "Public Relations". Dr Lakshminarayana K S, Assistant Professor, coordinated the session.



- The Department of Commerce organised an alumni interaction by Mr Adarsh B S, Junior HR Executive, Molex Pvt Ltd, Bangalore, for I BCom 'A' section students on 12 July 2025. Mr Suman Jain, Assistant Professor, coordinated the session.



- The Department of Sanskrit organised an alumni interaction by Mr Ajay Krishna. He spoke about the importance of Sanskrit in modern education. He encouraged the students to appreciate the language's cultural and academic significance, emphasising its relevance in various fields. Mr Shreyas J Palande, Assistant Professor, coordinated the session.



Day Celebrations

- The Department of Economics and Rural Development, in association with NSS Units of the College, Department of Dakshina Kannada Health and Family Welfare, Taluk Panchayat, Belthangady, Grama Panchayat, Ujire, and Taluk Hospital, Belthangady, organised an awareness programme on “World Population” on account of ‘World Population Day – 2025’. Dr Deepak Rai, Taluk Medical Officer, Puttur, was the resource person. The programme was inaugurated by Prof Vishwanatha P, Principal. Dr Sanjath R B, Taluk Medical Officer, Belthangady, was the president. Dr Ganaraja K, Head, Dr Ramesh, Medical Officer, Taluk Hospital, Belthangady, Smt Tarakesari, BEO, Belthangady, and staff from Taluk Hospital, Belthangady were present on the occasion. Dr Mahesh Kumar Shetty H, NSS Programme Officer, proposed vote of thanks. About 125 students participated in the programme.



- The Department of Sanskrit organised “Guru Poornima” programme on 10 July 2025. Mr Shreyas J Palande, Assistant Professor, welcomed the gathering. Prof Sridhara N Bhatta, Registrar Administration and Head of the Department, spoke about the greatness of the Guru. Ms Abhijna, Assistant Professor, Department of History, explained the significance of the day. Mr Deekshit Rai, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, spoke about the contributions of Guru. Mrs Nanda Kumari, Vice Principal, and Mr Ganesh Nayak, Registrar Evaluation, also shared their thoughts regarding the importance of Guru. Mr Abhilash K S, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, and Mr Gururaj, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Studies, highlighted the crucial role of a Guru in a student's life. During this occasion, Sanskrit textbooks for four semesters, compiled and edited by Prof Sridhara Bhat, were also released.



Department Association Inauguration

The Department of Economics and Rural Development organised the inauguration of the “Economics Association” on 14 July 2025. Dr Prakash S, PDO, Koyyur Grama Panchayat, inaugurated the event. The inaugurator advised the students to set a goal of cracking various competitive examinations conducted for government recruitments. Dr Ganaraja K, HoD, in his presidential remarks, asked the students to focus on improving their personality by using various platforms available in the college. Dr Mahesh Kumar Shetty H, Assistant Professor, congratulated all the new office bearers and explained about various activities of the association in his address. The new office bearers of the association were honoured on the occasion. Dr Nagraj Poojary, Assistant Professor, was also present.



Career Guidance Programmes

- The Department of Commerce organised an Orientation programme on “CA and CS” for the first year BCom students on 3 July 2025. CA Kiran Vasanth, CA Jason, CA Deepika, CA Rishitha, KVC Academy, Mangalore, were the resource persons. About 300 students attended the programme. Mr Harish Shetty, Mr Suman Jain, Ms Sowmya Kumari and Ms Ashwini, Assistant Professors, coordinated the programme.
- The Department of English, in association with the British Council, organised an orientation programme on the topic “The Importance of English Language Skills in Education, Employment and Entrepreneurship” for the final year BCom and BBA students on 10 July 2025. Mr Venkatraman Krishnamurthy, Head of Partnerships (Exams), India, was the resource person. The resource person introduced Aptis ESOL exams to the students and interacted with them clarifying their queries. Prof G R Bhat, Head, presided over the programme, and Mr Sooryanarayana Bhat P, Associate Professor, coordinated the event.



- The SDM-Rotary Career Guidance and Placement (HRD) Centre organised a Three-Days intensive Training programme on “Advanced Microsoft Excel with Power BI” for III BCom A section students from 10 to 12 July 2025. The resource person was Mr Narayana K, Certified Trainer, MS Excel and Power BI, Arya Chanakya Technology Ltd, Bangalore. The resource person introduced the students to the practical applications of Excel for data management and Power BI for business intelligence, visualisation, and reporting. The students gained insights into advanced Excel functions such as VLOOKUP, HLOOKUP, INDEX-MATCH, pivot tables, data validation, conditional formatting, and macros. The basics and advanced features of Power BI, including data import, dashboard creation, data modeling, and DAX functions were also taught. About 84 students attended the training programme.

Extra-Curricular Activities

- The Department of BVoc in Retail and Supply Chain Management organised the Annual Departmental Quiz Competition “Medhavath 4.0” on 9 July 2025. The intra-departmental event aimed to encourage intellectual engagement and enhance students’ knowledge in the areas of retail, supply chain, and general business awareness. The final year BVoc students were the organisers. The participants were the first and second year BVoc students. The event was coordinated by Ms Madhuri Gowda, Assistant Professor.



Staff Publications

- Dr Ganaraja K, Head, Department of Economics and Rural Development, published an article titled “Inclusive Growth in Kautilya’s Arthashastra” in Shodha (UGC Care listed), Vol. 15(1), ISSN: 2249-0396, July 2025.
- Dr Sanmathi Kumar, Head, Department of History, published a research article titled “A New Look into the Early History of Jainism” in the International Journal of Multidisciplinary Educational Research®, Peer Reviewed & Refereed International Journal IJMER, Scopus Review ID: A2B96D3ACF3FEA2A, ISSN:2277-7881, Impact Factor: 9.014(2025), published by Sucharitha Publications IJMER, Vol. 14, Issue 6(4), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, on 1 July 2025.
- Ms Bhagyashri, Assistant Professor, and Mr Nataraj H K, Head, Department of Political Science, published a research article titled “Political Participation and Empowerment of Women: With Special Reference to the Gram Panchayats of Belthangady Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka” in the peer-reviewed journal Shodha, ISSN: 2249-3096, Vol. 15, No. 1, July-December 2025.
- Dr Ganaraja K, Head, Department of Economics and Rural Development, published an article titled “Manava Sampanmuulavuu Deshada Abhivruddhiyu” in Udayavani Kannada Daily on 11 July 2025.

Staff Achievements

- Dr Ganaraja K, Head, Department of Economics and Rural Development, inaugurated SDM PU NSS Activities of the year 2025-26 held at SDM PU College, Ujire on 5 July 2025.
- Dr Rajashekhar, Assistant Professor, Department of Kannada, delivered an invited lecture on the topic “Rachanika Vimarshe” for the PhD course work students organised by Maharaja College, Mysuru on 6 July 2025.
- Mr Praveena D, Assistant Professor, Department of BVoc in Retail and Supply Chain Management, delivered an invited talk on the topic “Cultivating Happiness: Practical Strategies for a Stress-Free Life” for the final year BVoc students organised by the Department of BVoc in Software and Application Development, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire on 9 July 2025.
- Dr Naganna, Assistant Professor, Department of Kannada, attended as a resource person for the Series lecture on Kannada Jnanapeetha Awardees held at SDM High School, Belal, organised by Belthangady Taluk Kannada Sahitya Parishat on 11 July 2025.

Staff Participation

- Ms Bhagyashri, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, attended a Faculty Development Programme on “Research Data Generation-Analyse and Interpret” held at St Aloysius (Deemed to be University), Mangalore, on 12 July 2025.
- Ms Ganavi D, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, attended Two Days National Level Workshop on “Competitive Exam Training and Career Guidance” organised by the PG Department of Mathematics and PG Department of Chemistry, BMS College for Women, Bangalore. Date

Student Achievements

- Kum. Ananya, I BA, participated in the under 18 National Kabaddi championship held at Uttarakhand from 28 June to 1 July 2025.



- Mr Chennakeshava and Ms Jayashree B R, II BA, secured silver medal in the Puttur Manson Run - Bale Balipuga Open State Marathon competition held at Puttur on 6 July 2025.
- Dharshan J R, Navyashree G, Niyhin U L, Tanu K C Hegde, Aditya N P, Phrang, Ashlesha, participated in the Puttur Manson Run - Bale Balipuga Open State Marathon competition held at Puttur on 6 July 2025.

