Department of Life-Long Learning and Extension Yearly Report 2023-24

Extension Education is the vital third dimension of the University system, designed to facilitate mutual sharing of resources between the community and the University, promoting development for both citizens of India and students alike.

At L.S. Raheja College of Arts & Commerce, we are proud to celebrate our eighth year of success under the guidance of Ms. Prajakta Joshi (DLLE Chairperson) and our esteemed Extension teachers: Mr. Raju Gole, Mr. Prashant Shelar, Mr. Siddhesh Hadkar, Mr. Tejas Pednekar, Ms. Sampada Almeda and Ms. Sayali Parab. Together, we have registered 607 students with the Department of Life-long Learning & Extension (DLLE), under the dynamic activity program of Population Education Club, aimed at sensitizing students towards socio-cultural realities and environmental issues.

Despite the various hindrances, our DLLE students have remained enthusiastic and have successfully organized various college and community-level activities, under the guidance of our Principal, Dr. Debajit N. Sarkar.

- 1. The Mango Seed Donation Drive were conducted on 15th to 17th June 2023. Volunteers collected dry mango seeds from their classmates as well as nearby community for donation purpose. These seeds were later donated Mission Green India. The donated seeds were used for planting. The aim of this activity is to promote tree planting and recycling waste.
- 2. The Financial Awareness Fair were conducted on 14th August 2023 was a huge success. The aim of this activity is to create awareness about various investment plans and to understand how to manage finance. Volunteers arrange various informative stalls such as finance based fun games, stock market knowledge, various investment plans and their returns, how to do market analysis etc. The participants visited all the stalls to learn valuable information along with some fun activities.
- 3. The Workshop on Two-wheeler road safety on 28th August 2023 was conducted by Mr. Sandeep from United Way. Mr. Sandeep explain various road safety measures and also gave demonstration on various road safety rules and regulation that needs to be followed by two-wheeler. Participants learn various safety measures, which are very useful for them.
- 4. The Clean-up Drive after Ganpati Visarjan at Juhu beach on 29th September 2023 was a huge success. Volunteers from all walks of life came together to clean up the beach and restore its natural beauty. The event was a shining example of how collective action can make a positive impact on the environment. The organizers were grateful for the overwhelming support and enthusiasm from the participants.

- 5. The First Term Training program on October 4th 2023 featured a dynamic and insightful talk by Dr. Shrima Banerjee. Dr. Banerjee's expertise and experience in the field of education provided invaluable insights to the attendees. Participants learned about the latest teaching methodologies and strategies to enhance student learning outcomes. The event was an excellent opportunity for educators to network and exchange ideas and best practices.
- 6. The donation drive tilled "Joy of Giving" conducted from 2nd to 5th January 24 was a huge success. Volunteers did promotion of donation drive in nearby community as well as in college. The donated goods were segregated in different categories and packed in the boxes by volunteers. Donated goods were given to Robin Hood Army trust, Andheri west. This activity was a huge success, variety of goods were donated such as, Stationaries, clothes, footwear, story books, note books, toys etc. in a huge quantity.
- 7. The Street Play on occasion of "World cleanliness Day" were conducted on 30th January 2024. Volunteers performed street plays in eight different groups to generate awareness on cleanliness. Various topics were explained by these plays such as road cleanliness, segregation of dry and wet waste, beach cleanliness, impact of litter on environmental and health etc. This activity helped students to build confidence and to improve their communication and vocal skills.
- 8. The hands-on training session on EVM and VVPAT Voting Machines on 20th February 2024 was a huge success. The representatives from Election Committee India visited collage with EVM and VVPAT Voting Machines and gave hands-on training to participants. The participants experience voting registration process and understood the use of voting machine.
- 9. The Short Film Screening and Discussion activity were conducted from 21st to 26th February 2022 was a huge success. Volunteers collected various award winning and highly rated short films on social issues such as Gender equality, Female rights, Mental health and Suicide prevention, Impact on Marine life etc. After screening volunteers conducted question answer session to raised awareness on social issues.
- 10. The Rally were conducted titled "Zero Food Waste: Rallying for a Sustainable Future" on 6th March 2024 was a great success. Participants gathered early in the morning to begin the rally in the Relief road, Santacruz (West). Volunteers created posters and slogans for the rally. This event were aimed to generate awareness on Food wastage.
- 11. On the occasion of "International Women's Day" we organized a Quiz Competition titled "She-ores" on 9th March 2024. The aim of this activity is to generate awareness on various Women's rights and to promote gender equality. The volunteers created an interactive Quiz game on Kahoot and participants learn many Women's rights.

12. The 2nd term training program held on March 16th was an enlightening and engaging event, with Dr. Shrima Banerjee as the keynote speaker. Dr. Banerjee, an acclaimed expert in her field, shared valuable insights and practical tips on the latest trends and developments in the industry. Participants were given a unique opportunity to learn from Dr. Banerjee's wealth of experience and were inspired by her passion for the subject matter. The event was a resounding success, with attendees leaving with a renewed sense of enthusiasm and a deeper understanding of the subject matter.

The DLLE program is a unique opportunity for students to engage with their community and make a difference. From tackling social and environmental issues to developing leadership and communication skills, this program equips students with the tools they need to thrive in today's world. A total of 487 students successfully completed the DLLE program! After months of hard work and dedication, it's exciting to see the completion of the second term program and the submission of project reports to the field coordinator and annexures to the University.