

Equal Opportunity Cell Report 2024-2025

In the academic year 2024–25, the Equal Opportunity Cell of Bajaj College of Science, Wardha, worked to facilitate access for students from reserved categories and raised awareness about various central and state government policies and scholarship opportunities. The Cell also provided detailed information regarding the different scholarships offered by the Government of Maharashtra.

Remedial Classes

The Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC) conducted Remedial Classes for B.Sc. I students in October 2024 and March 2025, each session lasting 12 days. These classes aimed to provide academic support and motivation to students identified as needing extra attention based on their performance in Unit Tests and Terminal Examinations. The initiative focused on helping academically weaker students improve their understanding of core subjects. To assess the impact of the remedial teaching, follow-up tests were conducted, allowing teachers to monitor student progress and adjust instruction accordingly. This program reflects the EOC's commitment to inclusive education and academic excellence.

A Workshop on “Mental Health and Wellness”

The Equal Opportunity Cell of Bajaj College of Science, Wardha, organized a workshop on “Mental Health and Wellness” for students on Tuesday, 20th August 2024, at 2:30 PM. The objective of the workshop was to raise awareness among students about the significance of mental health in leading a balanced and fulfilling life. The session began with a welcome address by Prof. P.V. Tekade, Principal of Bajaj College of Science. In his address, he emphasized the critical role of mental health in achieving overall happiness and well-being. The resource person for the workshop was Ms. Anandi Devpujari, a Mental Health Counsellor from Wardha. She shared her expert insights on various aspects of mental health and wellness and engaged the students in an interactive discussion. Ms. Devpujari addressed and debunked several common myths and misconceptions surrounding mental health. She stressed the importance of prioritizing personal well-being and highlighted how good mental health empowers individuals to manage stress, build and maintain healthy relationships, make positive life choices, and find purpose and meaning in life. The workshop concluded with a formal vote of thanks, marking the end of an insightful and impactful session.

A Workshop on “Child Sexual Abuse”

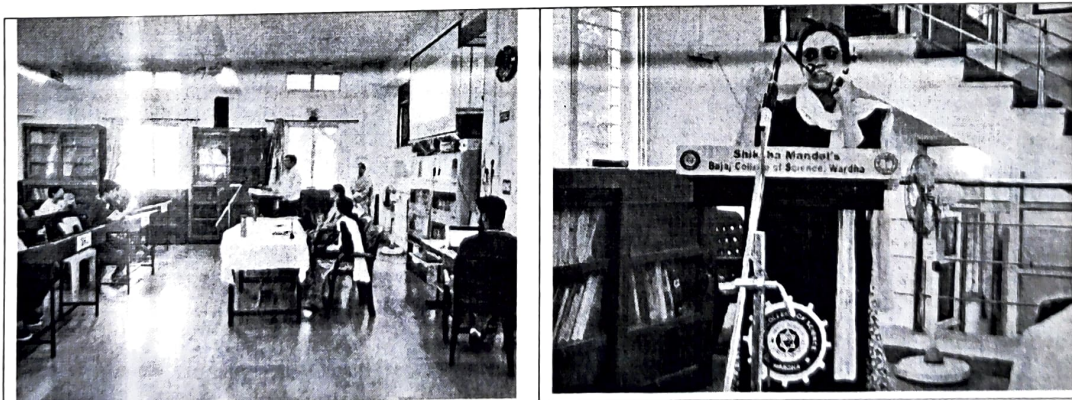
The workshop began with a welcome address by Prof. P.V. Tekade, Principal of Bajaj College of Science, Wardha on 4th October 2024. In his address, he emphasized the urgent need for society to engage in open discussions about child sexual abuse in order to work towards its prevention. Following this, Dr. Akshay Bhattkulkar, President of the Rotary Club, Nagpur Green City, addressed the students and shared his valuable insights on the topic, highlighting the collective responsibility in safeguarding children. Dr. Sanjay Ambatkar, Director of Kalpavruksh Hospital, Nagpur, then introduced the resource person, Dr. Ramya Nisal, to the audience. Dr. Nisal, who holds an MBBS and MS (Surgery) degree and is an active member of Sakshi NGO, conducted the main session of the workshop.

During her session, Dr. Ramya Nisal provided expert insights on the issue of child sexual abuse. She engaged interactively with the students, explaining the signs and symptoms of abuse, appropriate ways to respond, and strategies for prevention. Her talk aimed to sensitize students and equip them with the knowledge necessary to recognize and address such issues effectively. The workshop concluded with a lively question-and-answer session, reflecting the students' keen interest and active participation.

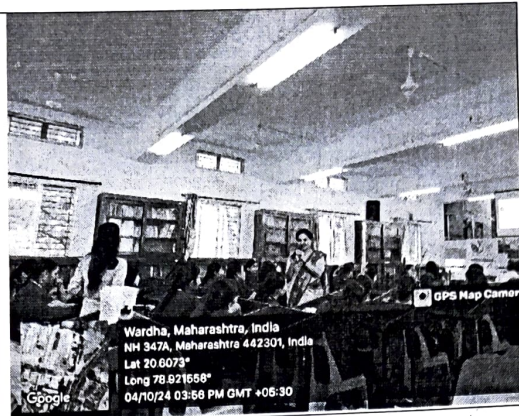
New Rules and Regulations

The Government of India has introduced some new rules and regulation like Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 which came into effect in July 2024. The guest speaker for the awareness drive which was held on 5th February 2025, was Shri. Parag Pote, Police Inspector, Wardha Police Department. Shri. Parag Pote talked about some recent government rules and regulations in India. He made the students aware about the newly implemented laws like Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 and Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023. Shri. Parag Pote raised awareness regarding the proposed changes and reforms in the criminal justice system to foster a better understanding of how these changes will impact law enforcement, justice delivery, and citizens. He gave a comprehensive overview of the bill, elaborating on its key provisions and the rationale behind the reforms. This allowed for an exchange of ideas and views. The awareness program on the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita was a success in terms of enhancing student understanding of the proposed reforms. It not only provided valuable insights into the bill itself but also educated the younger generation on their rights, responsibilities, and the evolving legal landscape in India. Principal Prof. P.V. Tekade chair the event.

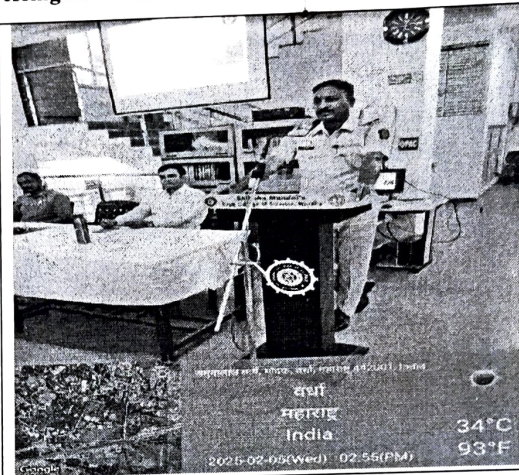
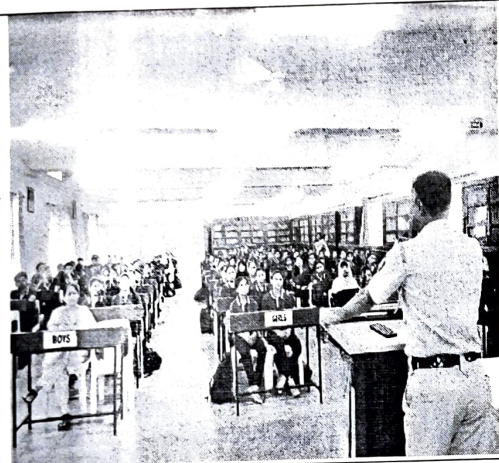
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Ms. Anandi Devpujari, Mental Health Counsellor, Wardha addressing the students



Dr. Ramya Nisal addressing to the students



Shri. Parag Pote, Police Inspector, Wardha Police Department addressing the students

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