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wildlife sanctuary, Sagareshwar.**

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Internal Quality Assurance Cell
2025-26



Quality Initiatives/ Activities Report

1. **Name of Department:** ZOOLOGY
2. **Name of Organized Activity:** Visit to Pearl culture Unit- Andhali and Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar wildlife sanctuary, Sagareshwar.
3. **Date/ Duration:** 11/09/2025, 7.30am onwards
4. **Aims and Objectives:**
Aim: 1. To visit Pearl culture Unit and study the process involved in pearl culture.
2. To visit Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar wildlife sanctuary.
Objectives: 1. To understand the process of pearl culture
2. To acquire techniques of pearl culture
3. To develop skills to build pearl culture unit
4. To observe the animals in their natural habitat
5. To study the diversity of animals
6. To understand interaction between animals and ecology.

5. **No. of beneficiaries:**

Sr. No	No. of Beneficiaries		Total
	Male	Female	
1	06	13	19

6. **Expenditure & funding agency:** self

7. **Brief Description:**

The visit to pearl culture unit- Andhali, Tal-Palus, Sangli and Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar wildlife sanctuary, Sagareshwar was organized by the Department of Zoology for students of B. Sc. III (Major-Zoology) as it is an essential part of the curriculum of B. Sc. III included in practicals of Pearl culture (VSC) and Ecology.

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perennial supply of water, and most of the wildlife species were artificially introduced. It has an area of 10.87 km².

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8. **Outcomes:** (After completing the activity)

1. Students understand the process of pearl culture
2. Students acquired techniques of pearl culture
3. Students observed the animals in their natural habitat and understand diversity of animals

9. **Photos:**



Visit to Pearl culture unit and Sagareshwar Sanctuary (11/09/2025)

10. **Signatures of coordinator/ organizer:**

G.K. Sontakke
Dr. G. K. Sontakke
 Head
 Department of Zoology
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PERMISSION LETTER

Department of Zoology (UG)

Date: 08/09/2025

To,
The Principal,
Vivekanand College, Kolhapur
(An Empowered Autonomous Institute)

Subject: Regarding the permission for organising visit to the **Ransh pearl farm** and
Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary

Respected Sir,

With reference to the above subject, the Department of Zoology, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur, is going to arrange a study visit to Ransh Pearl Farm, Andhali, Palus and Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary, Sagareshwar for the students of B.Sc. III (Major Zoology) on 11th September 2025. This visit is an integral part of the syllabus, included in practicals (VSC – Pearl Culture and Ecology) of B.Sc. III.

We kindly request you to grant permission to conduct this educational visit.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Enclosure:

List of students and Faculty

Yours faithfully,



Dr. G. K. Sontakke

Head

Department of Zoology
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10.9.25



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Ref. No. VCK/1290/2025-26

Date : 10/9/2025

To,
Mr. Mayur Shivaji Jagadale,
Ransh Pearl farm School
Andhali, Tal- Palus, Dist.-Sangali

Subject: Regarding the permission to visit Pearl Culture farm

Respected Sir/ Madam,

With reference to above mentioned subject, we wish to arrange the visit to your Pearl Culture farm on Thursday, 11th September 2025 to acquire knowledge and hands on training for pearl culture and its maintenance. It is an essential part of the academic curriculum of B. Sc. III (Major-Zoology) which included in practicals of VSC pearl culture. Being a part of interactive learning, such educational visits give students major exposure to real working environments along with a practical perspective of a theoretical concept relevant to their domain. We believe that our students will get relevant knowledge during this visit.

A group of 19 students from B. Sc. III and two faculty members intend to participated in this visit, so that please allow us to conduct a visit to your pearl culture farm and kindly make arrangements for visit in the relevant department.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. R. R. Kumbhar
Principal

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No. VCK/ 1290/2025-26

Date : 10/9/2025

To,

Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary,
Sagareshwar.

Subject: Regarding the permission to visit Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar Wildlife
Sanctuary

Respected Sir/ Madam,


With reference to above mentioned subject, we wish to arrange the visit to Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary on Thursday, 11th September 2025 to acquire knowledge and hands on training for pearl culture and its maintenance. It is an essential part of the academic curriculum of B. Sc. III (Major-Zoology) which included in practicals of ecology. Being a part of interactive learning, such educational visits give students major exposure to real working environments along with a practical perspective of a theoretical concept relevant to their domain. We believe that our students will get relevant knowledge during this visit.

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NOTICE

All the students of B. Sc. III (Major- Zoology) hereby informed that Department of Zoology is going to organise study visit to the **Ransh pearl farm and Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary on 11/09/2025**. The visit is compulsory to all and it is based on practicals of VSC-pearl culture and Ecology. Be present on time



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List of Student
B. Sc. III (Major) Semester-V
(Study Tour- Pearl Farm and Sagareshwar Sanctuary -)

Sr. No.	Roll No.	Name of the Student	Age
1.	8332	Adagale Paras Charudatta	21
2.	8334	Mane Pranoti Prakash	21
3.	8337	More Sanika Sanjay	21
4.	8338	Nadaf Muskan Mohammad Rafiq	21
5.	8339 8351	Navale Rutuja Pradeep Yash M. Jowar	21
6.	8340	Patil Anushka Rajgonda	21
7.	8341	Patil Gouri Vijay	21
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9.	8343	Patil Sayali Ashok	21
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12.	8346	Todkar Shravani Sanjay	21
13.	8347	Vira Sachin Khot	21
14.	8348	Bariya Avinaben Vinodbhai	21
15.	8349	Kamble Ketan Keraba	22
16.	8350	Kamble Ratndip Rajaram	22
17.	8461	Chavan Sakshi Mahadev	21
18.	8333	Mahekar Pruthviraj Tatoba	21
19.	8335	Mane Sangramsingh Sandeep	21
		Staff	
20.		Dr. G. K. Sontakke - Assistant Professor	40
21.		Dr. T. C. Patil - Assistant Professor	35

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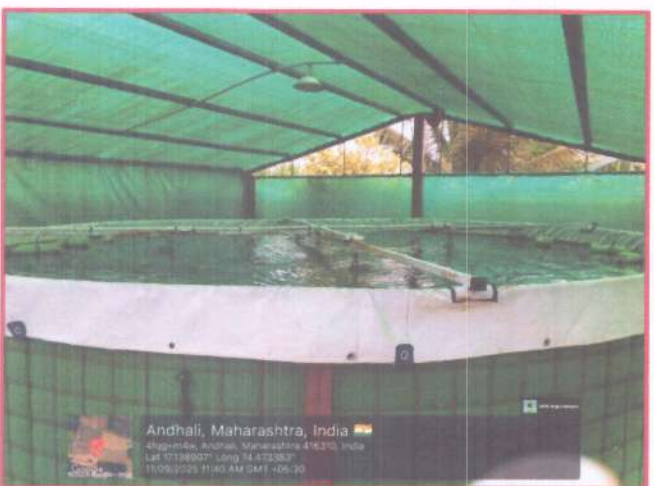




Photo plate 1: Visit to Pearl farm
Photo plate 2: Visit to Sagareshwar Sanctuary (11/09/2025)

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REPORT

Visit to Pearl culture Unit- Andhali and Yashwantrao Chavan Sagareshwar wildlife sanctuary, Sagareshwar. (11/09/2025)

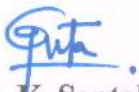
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