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**(1<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025)**

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I/c Principal

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**Internal Quality Assurance Cell**  
**2025-26**  
**Quality Initiatives/ Activities Report**



1. **Name of Department:** ZOOLOGY
2. **Name of Organized Activity:** National Wildlife Week 2025
3. **Date/ Duration:** 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025
4. **Aims and Objectives:**
  - Create awareness about wildlife among students
  - Motivate active participation in wildlife conservation and protection.
  - Educate students on the importance of wildlife for maintaining ecological balance.
  - Encourage responsible and informed behavior towards wildlife among the larger community.
5. **No. of beneficiaries:**

Sr. No	No. of Beneficiaries		Total
	Male	Female	
1	279	589	868

6. **Expenditure & funding agency:** Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)

7. **Brief description:**

The Department of Zoology, in collaboration with IQAC, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur, successfully organized National Wildlife Week 2025 from 1st to 4th October under the theme "Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet." The event was inaugurated by Principal Dr. R. R. Kumbhar, and the entire programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. G. K. Sontakke. The celebration aimed to cultivate ecological sensitivity, emphasize India's biodiversity, and inspire conservation-oriented thinking among students of Arts, Commerce, Science, and Professional courses. The week began with a Rangoli Competition featuring creative depictions of endangered species and ecological themes, followed by an Animal Photography Competition that showcased the beauty of wildlife through students'

lenses. A Craft Model Competition further promoted innovation through eco-friendly models highlighting habitats, food webs, and conservation efforts. On 4th October, a Poster Presentation Competition allowed students to visually communicate issues like poaching, climate change, and habitat loss. The Quiz Competition tested students' knowledge of biodiversity, national parks, and conservation principles, while the Short Film Competition encouraged creative audiovisual storytelling on wildlife concerns. The Face and Hand Painting Competition added vibrancy to the celebration with artistic expressions of species and ecosystems. A special guest lecture by Ms. Shruti Kulkarni provided academic insight into challenges like urbanization, habitat fragmentation, and the relevance of SDGs in conservation. The Valedictory Function marked the conclusion of the week, featuring the felicitation of winners and appreciation by IQAC Coordinator Dr. Shruti Joshi and the Principal. With the participation of around 285 students and strong support from staff and volunteers, the programme successfully promoted scientific curiosity, environmental awareness, and a commitment to protecting India's biodiversity for future generations.

#### 8. Outcomes:

- Students gained enhanced environmental awareness about wildlife conservation, biodiversity, and ecological balance through Wildlife Week activities.
- Scientific, analytical, and creative skills improved through events like photography, poster presentations, craft model making, short films, and quizzes.
- Participation of over 285 students boosted engagement in conservation and motivated youth toward sustainable development and wildlife protection.

#### 9. Photos: (2/3)



Inaugural Function



Rangoli Competition



**Animal Photography Competition**



**Craft Model Competition**



**Poster Presentation Competition**



**Quiz Competition**



**Short-film Competition**



**Face and Hand Painting Competition**



**Guest Lecture**



**Prize Distribution and Valedictory function**

**10. Signature of coordinator and organizer:**

  
**Dr. G. K. Sontakke**  
Head  
Department of Zoology  
Vivekanand College Kolhapur  
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**PERMISSION LETTER**

Department of Zoology (UG & PG)  
Vivekanand College, Kolhapur  
(An Empowered Autonomous Institute)  
**Date:** 10/09/2025

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

**Subject:** Regarding the permission for celebration of **National Wildlife Week – 2025**.

**Respected Sir,**

The Department of Zoology and IQAC, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute) proposes to celebrate **National Wildlife Week – 2025** from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025. As part of this program, we intend to conduct a series of competitions and activities for students of Arts, Commerce, Science and Professional studies. The event is designed to highlight the significance of wildlife, spread awareness about conservation, foster a sense of environmental responsibility, and provide a platform for students to showcase their talents.

In this regard, I request your kind permission to organize the celebration and to approve the estimated **expenditure of approximately ₹8000/-**, which will cover certificates, trophies, and related expenses.


The list of competitions and activities are given below.

Sr. No.	Competition/ Activity	Dates
1	Rangoli Competition	01/10/2025
2	Animal Photography	01/10/2025
3	Craft Model Competition	01/10/2025
4	Poster Competition	03/10/2025
5	Quiz Competition	03/10/2025
6	Short Film Competition	03/10/2025
7	Face and Hand Painting Competition	04/10/2025
8	Awareness Rally	04/10/2025
9	Guest Lecture and Prize Distribution	04/10/2025

We sincerely request your kind consideration and permission.

Thanking you.

*Handwritten notes:*  
Hiz 25/10/25, HIKL  
10/9/25  
Allowed  
PR  
10-9-25

  
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**DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY & IQAC**

"Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet".

**ANGOLI COMPETITION**

Wednesday, 01/10/2025



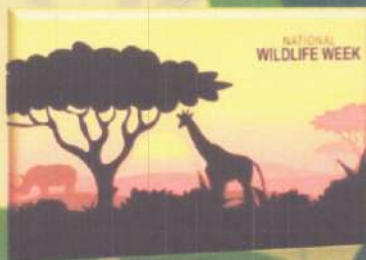
**ANIMAL PHOTOGRAPHY  
& CRAFT MODEL**

Wednesday, 01/10/2025

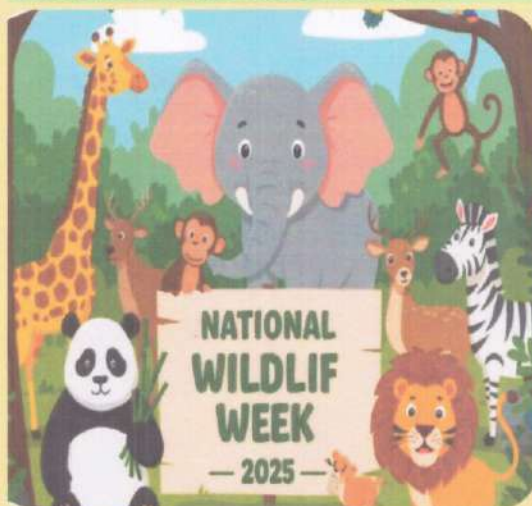


**POSTER COMPETITION**

Friday, 03/10/2025



REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE OVER  
1 MILLION PLANT AND ANIMAL SPECIES  
AT THE RISK OF EXTINCTION! SO, LET'S  
CONSERVE OUR FOREST WILDLIFE



**RALLY & GUEST LECTURE**

Saturday, 04/10/2025



**QUIZ COMPETITION**

Friday, 03/10/2025



**SHORT FILM COMPETITION**

Friday, 03/10/2025



**FACE & HAND PAINTING**

Friday, 03/10/2025



Dr. R. R. Kumbhar

Principal,

Vivekanand College Kolhapur

Dr. Shruti Joshi

IQAC Coordinator,

Vivekanand College, Kolhapur

Dr. G. K. Sontakke

HoD & Convenor

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**NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK – 2025**

(1<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025)

**Date: 08/09/2025**

**NOTICE FOR FACULTY**

All faculty members of the Department of Zoology are hereby informed that the department and IQAC will be organizing National Wildlife Week–2025 from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025.

The faculty coordinators assigned to each event are requested to:

- Prepare all the necessary documents well in advance.
- Ensure proper record-keeping and submit complete documentation after the program.
- Maintain a minimum of **30 participants** in each activity, as it is the responsibility of the respective event coordinator.

The distribution of work is as follows:

Sr. No.	Activity/Competition	Coordinator
1	Rangoli Competition	Ms. N. A. Jadhav
2	Animal Photography	Ms. N. A. Patel
3	Craft Model Competition	Dr. S. S. Desai
4	Poster Competition	Ms. T. C. Patil
5	Quiz Competition	Mr. G. H. Fadake
6	Short Film Competition	Ms. P. R. Gaikwad
7	Face and Hand Painting Competition	Ms. P. S. Shetfalkar
8	Awareness Rally	Dr. T. C. Gaupale
9	Guest Lecture and Prize Distribution	Ms. M. L. Patil

All concerned faculty members are kindly requested to take note and ensure smooth execution of the respective activities.

  
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**NOTICE FOR STUDENTS**

**Date: 08/09/2025**

All the students of Arts, Commerce, Science and Professional studies are hereby informed that the Department of Zoology & IQAC, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute) will be celebrating **National Wildlife Week-2025** from **1<sup>st</sup> October to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025**.

During this week, various competitions and activities will be organized to highlight the importance of wildlife, its conservation, sustainable development, and to develop skills among students.

- Certificates of participation will be awarded to all participants.
- Rank certificates and trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd position holders.
- A student may participate in multiple events.

**Registration Details**

Interested students can register their names with the respective activity coordinators between 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025 – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at the Department of Zoology (Room No. 316).

**List of Competitions & Coordinators:**

Sr. No.	Competition / Activity	Coordinator
1	Rangoli Competition	Ms. N. A. Jadhav
2	Animal Photography	Ms. N. A. Patel
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7	Face and Hand Painting Competition	Ms. P. S. Shetfalkar
8	Rally	Dr. T. C. Gaupale
9	Guest Lecture and Prize Distribution	Ms. M. L. Patil

All students are encouraged to participate actively and make the event successful.

  
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**EVENT COORDINATORS & EXAMINERS LIST**

Sr. No.	Event	Event Coordinator	Examiner(s)/Resource Person
1	Rangoli Competition	Ms. N. A. Jadhav	Dr. Salama Bashirun Mulla, Head and Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute) Ms. V. V. Misal, Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)
2.	Animal Photography Competition	Ms. N. A. Patel	Mr. Rushikesh Goni, Assistant Professor, Department of Photography & Videography, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)
3.	Craft Model Competition	Dr. S. S. Desai	Prof. Sunita D. Shirke, Head & Professor, Department of Chemistry, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)
4.	Poster Presentation	Dr. T. C. Patil	Dr. B. T. Dangat, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Empowered Autonomous) Mr. S. G. Kulkarni, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology (Entire), Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Empowered Autonomous)
5.	Quiz Competition	Mr. G. H. Fadake	Faculty of Zoology Department
6..	Face & Hand Painting Competition	Ms. P. S. Shetfalkar	Dr. R. Y. Patil, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Empowered Autonomous)

			Mr. Satish Upalavikar, Assistant Professor, Department of Graphics, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Empowered Autonomous)
7.	Short Film Competition	Ms. P. R. Gaikwad	Mr. Rushikesh Goni, Assistant Professor, Department of Photography & Videography, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Empowered Autonomous)
8.	Guest Lecture	Ms. M. L. Patil	Dr. Shruti Kulkarni, Environmental consultant and adviser, Ecoensa Pvt. Ltd. , Pune.

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### **INAUGURAL FUNCTION**

**Date: 01/10/2025**

- Inauguration and Welcome** : 10.30 am by cutting ribbon
- President** : **Dr. R. R. Kumbhar,**  
Principal,  
Vivekanand College, Kolhapur  
(An Empowered Autonomous Institute)
- Special Guest** : **Dr. Shruti Joshi,**  
IQAC coordinator,  
Vivekanand College, Kolhapur  
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- Introductory Speech** : **Dr. G. K. Sontakke,**  
Head, Department of Zoology  
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- Presidential Address** : **Principal, Dr. R. R. Kumbhar**
- Vote of Thanks** : **Ms. N. A. Patel**

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