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Shri Swami Vivekanand Shikshan Sanstha's
VIVEKANAND COLLEGE, KOLHAPUR
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Department of Zoology (UG & PG) & IQAC
Academic Year 2025-26

NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK- 2025
(1st to 4th October 2025)

RANKERS OF COMPETITIONS

RANGOLI COMPETITION

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Rank
1.	Ms. Chaitrali Yuvaraj Patil	First
2.	Ms. Vrushali Mahadev Patil	Second
3.	Ms. Apurva Sagar Gudale	Third
Consolation Prize		
1.	Ms. Prachi Chandrakant Kesarkar	
2.	Ms. Prarathana Sunil Arekar	

ANIMAL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Rank
1.	Ms. Sanjivani Y. Patil	First
2.	Ms. Ashwinin Shinde	Second
3.	Mr. Uttkarsh V. Sase	Third
Consolation Prize		
1.	Sophia M. Mulani	
2.	Rutuja Suresh Daribe	

CRAFT MODEL COMPETITION

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Rank
1.	Ms. Priti P. Patil	First
2.	Ms. Vrushali Mahadev Patil	Second
3.	Ms. Vaishnavi Mahadev Patil	Third
Consolation Prize		
1.	Avina V. Bariya	

POSTER PRESENTATION COMPETITION

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Rank
1.	Ms. Sanjana Dadaso Patil	First
2.	Ms. Rutuja Bajarang Shirgave	Second
3.	Ms. Sakshi Dipak Koli	Third

QUIZ COMPETITION

Group	Name	Rank
1.	Suhani Suraj Patil	First
	Avinaben Vinodbhai Bariya	
2.	Prerna Prakash Gaikwad	Second
	Saniya Satish Chavan	
	Akanksha Suresh Patil	
3.	Pradnya Vijay Parit	Third
	Maseera M.K. Hakim	

SHORT FILM MPETITION

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Rank
1.	Mr. Rushi Chandrakant Dongare	First
2.	Mr. Vivek Shravan Kamble	Second
3.	Ms. Aradhan Satish Marathe	Third

FACE AND HAND PAINTING COMPETITION

Sr. No.	Name of Student	Rank
1.	Ms. Jidnyasa Gurav	First
2.	Mr. Rajveer Mahadik	Second
3.	Ms. Suhani Suraj Patil	Third
Consolation Prize		
1.	Tanishka Rahul Divase	
2.	Rutuja Bajarang Shirgave	


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Inaugural Function





Rangoli Competition



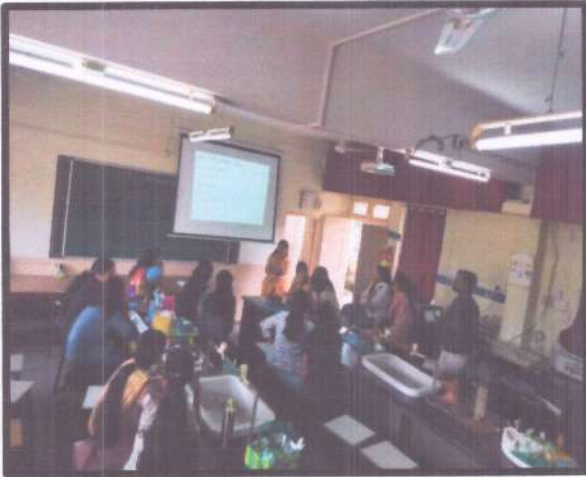
Animal Photography Competition



Craft Model Competition



Poster Presentation Competition



Quiz Competition



Short-film Competition



Face and Hand Painting Competition



Guest Lecture



Prize Distribution and Valedictory function


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SUMMATIVE REPORT

The Department of Zoology, in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute), successfully organized National Wildlife Week – 2025 from 1st to 4th October 2025 for all the students of Arts, Commerce, Science and Professional courses. The celebration was held under the theme “Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet.” The week-long programme was inaugurated by the Principal, Dr. R. R. Kumbhar, through a ribbon-cutting ceremony, marking the formal commencement of a series of events intended to promote awareness and appreciation of wildlife conservation. The entire programme was conceptualized and implemented under the visionary leadership of Dr. G. K. Sontakke, Head of the Department of Zoology, with strong institutional support from IQAC.

The aim of organizing Wildlife Week was to instill ecological sensitivity among students, highlight the significance of India's biodiversity, and foster a culture of conservation-oriented thinking. The objectives included creating awareness about the importance of wildlife in maintaining ecological balance, educating students about the consequences of biodiversity loss, encouraging creative and scientific expression related to conservation, and motivating youth to participate actively in environmental protection initiatives. The celebration also aimed to connect students with national conservation goals and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The Wildlife Week began with the **Rangoli Competition** on 1st October 2025, coordinated by Ms. N. A. Jadhav and evaluated by Dr. S. B. Mulla, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology (optional) and Ms. V. V. Misal, Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology. In this competition total 31 students from Arts, Commerce, Science and Professional studies registered and participated, with nearly 145 student visitors and 21 teachers observing the event. Students created thematic rangolis portraying endangered animals, food chains, ecosystem interactions, and biodiversity symbolism. The competition beautifully combined artistic creativity with environmental awareness, making it an engaging platform for conservation-based expression.

On the same day, the **Animal Photography Competition** was conducted under the coordination of Ms. N. A. Patel and evaluated by Mr. Rushikesh Goni, Assistant Professor, Department of Photography and Videography (B.Voc.). With 30 participants, 105 student visitors, and 30 teachers, the event showcased impactful wildlife photographs emphasizing

coexistence, natural habitats, and the beauty of biodiversity. Students used the medium of photography to highlight conservation concerns and document species diversity through their lenses.

Also held on Day 1 was the **Craft Model Competition**, coordinated by Dr. S. S. Desai and evaluated by Dr. S. D. Shirke, Head & Professor, Department of Chemistry. The event included 12 participants, along with 80 visitors and 25 teachers. Students presented eco-friendly models representing wildlife habitats, endangered species, food webs, and conservation interventions. The competition encouraged innovation, sustainability, and deeper understanding of wildlife-related issues through creative model-making.

On 4th October 2025, the **Poster Presentation Competition** took place, coordinated by Ms. N. A. Jadhav and judged by Dr. B. T. Dangat, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, and Mr. S. G. Kulkarni, Head & Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology (Entire). The competition had 22 participants, with around 33 students and 22 teachers visiting the exhibition. Participants showcased posters addressing wildlife threats, poaching, deforestation, climate impacts, and conservation strategies. The posters reflected analytical thinking and the ability to communicate scientific ideas visually and effectively.

The **Quiz Competition**, coordinated by Mr. G. H. Fadake, saw the participation of 40 students. The quiz included rapid-fire rounds, visual identification, and scenario-based questions covering wildlife biology, conservation principles, national parks, biodiversity hotspots, and ecosystem management. The competition encouraged collaborative learning, quick thinking, and stronger conceptual understanding of environmental topics.

The **Short Film Competition**, coordinated by Ms. P. R. Gaikwad and evaluated by Mr. Rushikesh Goni, Assistant Professor, Department of Photography and Videography, featured 11 student entries. The films addressed themes such as animal behavior, human-wildlife conflict, illegal wildlife trade, ecosystem degradation, and conservation success stories. The event provided a platform for students to combine scientific understanding with creativity and technical skills, resulting in impactful film presentations.

The **Face and Hand Painting Competition**, coordinated by Ms. P. S. Shetfalkar and evaluated by Dr. R. Y. Patil, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer science and Mr. Satish Upalavikar, Assistant Professor, Department of Graphics. Total 19 students registered and participated in this competition, with nearly 100 student visitors and 25 teachers attending the event. Students transformed their faces and hands into vivid representations of wildlife, including endangered species, ecological interactions, and conservation messages. This visually engaging event drew significant attention and became one of the most vibrant highlights of the week.

A special **Guest Lecture** by Ms. Shruti Kulkarni (Ecoensa, Pune), coordinated by Ms. M. L. Patil. The anchoring responsibility handled by Dr. T. C. Patil, added academic depth to the celebration. The talk focused on the challenges wildlife faces due to urbanization, habitat fragmentation, pollution, and climate change. It emphasized the role of communities, youth, and policy measures in wildlife conservation. Students gained valuable insights into

connecting conservation activities with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the importance of science-based solutions. Total 90 students from B. Sc. I, II, III and M.sc I were present for the lecture.

Following the lecture, a Valedictory Function was organized to formally conclude the Wildlife Week celebrations. The event marked a dignified closure, attended by esteemed guests, faculty members, and a large number of enthusiastic students. Notably, Dr. Shruti Joshi, IQAC Coordinator, graced the occasion with her presence and congratulated the participants for their remarkable involvement in all the activities. During this ceremony, winners and participants from all competitions were felicitated with trophies and certificates as a token of encouragement and recognition of their creativity, dedication, and understanding of themes related to wildlife conservation. The Principal, Dr. R. R. Kumbhar, appreciated the collective efforts of students and faculty, acknowledging the high level of enthusiasm, discipline, and talent displayed throughout the entire week.

Overall, approximately 285 students participated across all events, supported by active involvement from numerous teachers and student visitors. Under the dedicated supervision of Dr. G. K. Sontakke, along with the committed efforts of the teaching and non-teaching staff and volunteers from B.Sc. Part I, II, and III, the National Wildlife Week – 2025 achieved its intended objectives effectively. The strong and continuous support of the IQAC played a significant role in the smooth execution and academic enrichment of all events. The function beautifully celebrated the spirit of participation and highlighted the importance of involving young minds in conservation initiatives. The week-long celebration strengthened environmental consciousness, promoted scientific curiosity, and inspired students to contribute to wildlife protection and sustainable development. By cultivating ecological awareness and responsibility, the event played an important role in shaping environmentally responsible citizens, ensuring that India's rich biodiversity continues to be valued and protected for future generations.



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**Theme: "Wildlife Conservation Finance :
Investing in People and Planet"**

This is to certify that Mr./Ms.
has actively participated in **Rangoli / Animal Photography / Craft Model /
Poster / Quiz/ Face & Hand Painting / Short Film competitions** organized
by the **Department of Zoology & IQAC** on the occasion of "**National Wildlife
Week 2025**", celebrated from 1st to 4th October, 2025.

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NEWS

हॅलो प्रभात

'विवेकानंद'मध्ये राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव सप्ताह उत्साहात

कोल्हापूर : हॅलो प्रभात

श्री स्वामी विवेकानंद शिक्षण संस्थेचे विवेकानंद महाविद्यालय, कोल्हापूर येथे प्राणीशास्त्र विभाग आणि अंतर्गत गुणवत्ता हमी कक्ष (IQAC) यांच्या संयुक्त विद्यमाने राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव सप्ताह २०२५ उत्साहात साजरा करण्यात आला. दि.१ ते ४ ऑक्टोबर २०२५ या कालावधीत विविध उपक्रमांद्वारे विद्यार्थ्यांमध्ये वन्यजीव संवर्धनाविषयी जनजागृती करण्यात आली. कार्यक्रमाचे उद्घाटन प्राचार्य डॉ.आर.आर.कुंभार यांच्या हस्ते झाले. त्यांनी विद्यार्थ्यांना वन्यजीव संवर्धनात सक्रिय सहभाग घेण्याचे आवाहन करत कार्यक्रमासाठी आवश्यक सहकार्य व मार्गदर्शन दिले.सप्ताहभर विविध उपक्रमांचे आयोजन करण्यात आले, ज्यात रांगोळी, प्राणी छायाचित्रण, क्राफ्ट मॉडेल, पोस्टर प्रेझेंटेशन, फेस अँड हँड पेंटिंग, प्रश्नमंजूषा व लघुचित्र स्पर्धा यांचा समावेश होता. या स्पर्धांना विद्यार्थ्यांकडून उत्स्फूर्त प्रतिसाद लाभला.

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कोल्हापूर : प्रतिनिधी
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या वर्षीच्या थिमद्वारे वन्यजीव संवर्धनासाठी आर्थिक गुंतवणुकीचे महत्त्व आणि निसर्ग व मानव यांच्यातील संतुलन राखण्याचा संदेश देण्यात आला. कार्यक्रमाचे उद्घाटन प्राचार्य डॉ. आर. आर. कुंभार यांच्या हस्ते झाले. सप्ताहादरम्यान रांगोळी, प्राणी छायाचित्रण, क्राफ्ट मॉडेल, पोस्टर सादरीकरण, फेस अँड

हँड पेंटिंग, प्रश्नमंजूषा आणि लघुचित्र अशा विविध स्पर्धा झाल्या. समारोपसंगी इकोएन्सा, पुणे येथील पर्यावरण सल्लागार डॉ. श्रुती कुलकर्णी यांचे प्रेरणादायी अतिथी व्याख्यान आयोजित करण्यात आले. हा उपक्रम प्राणीशास्त्र विभागप्रमुख डॉ. जी. के. सोनटक्के, आयक्यूएसी समन्वयक डॉ. श्रुती जोशी यांच्या मार्गदर्शनाखाली झाला. १७० विद्यार्थ्यांनी विविध स्पर्धांमध्ये सहभाग नोंदवला, तर सुमारे ३०० विद्यार्थी आणि ५५ शिक्षकांनी भेट देऊन कार्यक्रमाला प्रतिसाद दिला. कार्यक्रमानंतर सर्व विजेते आणि सहभागी विद्यार्थ्यांना पौरविषयात आले.



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