

Department of Geography

Department Profile:

Department of Geography was established in the year 1981. It offers Geography Optional subject at FYBA (Paper- I) & SYBA (Paper II & III) levels and three papers at TYBA level. In Commerce section at FYBCom level the Environmental Studies is compulsory subject.

Arts Section		
Class	Semester	Name of the Papers
FYBA	I	Human Geography
	II	Geography of Environment
SYBA	III	Paper- II (Geography of Maharashtra) Paper- III (Agricultural Geography)
	IV	Paper- II (Geography of India) Paper- III (Geography of Tourism)
TYBA	V	Paper- IV (Introduction to Geomorphology) Paper- V (Geography of Rural Settlement) Paper- VI (Tools and Techniques in Geography for Spatial Analysis- I)
	VI	Paper- IV (Introduction to Climatology and Oceanography) Paper- V (Geography of Urban Settlement) Paper- VI (Tools and Techniques in Geography for Spatial Analysis- II)
Commerce Section		
FYBCom	I & II	Environmental Studies (Compulsory)

Achievements

a. Bridge Course in Geography.

The Department of Geography has organised the 6-days Bridge course in Geography from 1st July to 7th July, 2022. The objectives behind this course were to bridge the gap in the learning of Geography, especially after, Covid-19 and to provide knowledge of basic concepts in practical geography.

48 students of F.Y.B.A and S.Y.B.A classes have participated in the course. The expert faculty, Dr. Hemant Pednekar gave guidance to students about map elements and models in two sessions. The faculties of department, Mr. R.J. Chavhan and Ms. Bhakti Mhaskar, conducted other sessions on contours method of relief representation, thematic map, topographical map and use of technology in spatial analysis. The course has created interest among the students in the Geography subject. The course has benefited the students.

b. Screening of Documentary

A documentary show on Maharashtra titled 'Introduction to Maharashtra' prepared by Dr..Dipesh Karmarkar was screened for S.Y.B.A and T.Y.B.A students on 29th July 2022 at 11:05am in room no. 316. 40 students have attended the show. This documentary helped the students to understand the physiography and human features of Maharashtra.

c. Guest Lectures

- A guidance guest lecture on 13th October 2022 in room no. 309 for T.Y.B.A students by Prof. Dyaneshwar Bombe, from Sathaye college, Vile- Parle (E). 26 students and 3 faculty members of the Department attended the lecture. The session helped students to not only solve the practical problems but also gave them theoretical knowledge of Geography.
- A training session on SPSS on 17th September, 2022 in room no 206 by Ms.Rasika Dhupakar faculty from Psychology department.
- On 1st April, 2023 in Room no. 316 conducted Alumni Guest lecture on ‘Opportunities in Geography’ by Mr.Amol Dadas.It was attended by 45 students.

d. Participation in intercollegiate competitions

- The four students of TYBA, Sahil Bole,Ankita Waghmare, Ankit Acharekar and Tejas Chavan participated in an intercollegiate quiz competition at D.G.Ruparel college organised by INCA and D.G.Ruparel college on 21st February,2023.
- Two students Devashish Sakpal (SYBA) and Sovravi Borade FYBA have participated in Mrs. Kanni memorial presentation online competition organised by B.K.Birla College, Kalayan and Bombay Geographical Association on 11 February 2023.

e. Visits to exhibitions

- On 24th February, 2023 six students of TYBA visited ISRO exhibition at VJTI college, wadala.
- On 26th February,2023 ten students of TYBA attended a program on Star Gazing at Shirdhon , Panvel district.
- On 28th February, 2023 on the occasion of Science Day six students of TYBA visited Homi Bhabha Centre to see science exhibition.

f. Field visit to Ralegan- Siddhi(Adharsh Village) and Nighoj,Ahmednagar district.

As a part of curriculum the department faculties, Mr.R.J.Chavhan (H.O.D.), Ms. Bhakti Mhaskar and Ms.Nikita Tiwari along with a group of 11TYBA students have visited Ralegan siddhi (Adarsh Village and Nighoj, Ahmednagar district on 11th and 12th February, 2023.

The objective behind the field visit to understand water conservation and harvesting project, socio-cultural changes occurred in village, under the leadership of Mr. Anna Hazare the social reformer activist and potholes created by Kukdi river at Nighoj .

Seminars & Guest Lectures:

Bridge Course in Geography



Screening of Introduction to Maharashtra Documentary



Guest Lecture by Prof. Dyaneshwar Bombe : Photographs



SPSS training session by Ms.Raskika Dhupkar



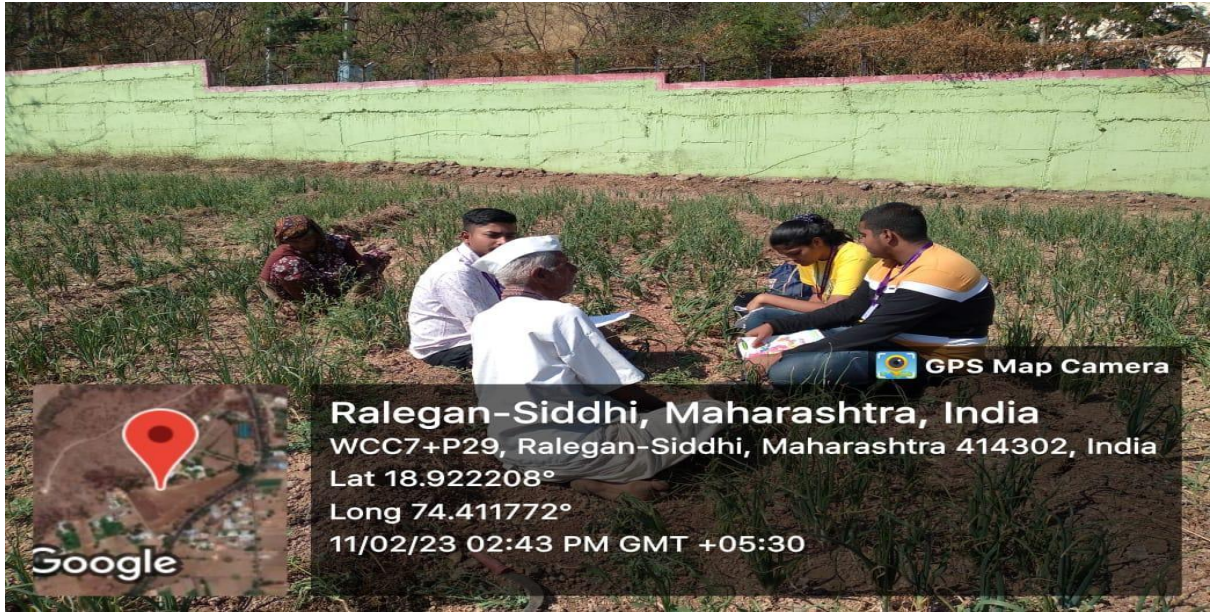
Participation in intercollegiate competitions at D.G Ruparel College



Visits to exhibitions at VJTI and Homi Bhabha Centre



Field Visit to Ralegan-Siddhi and Nighoj









Future Plan:

To start specialization (6 papers) in Geography at TYBA level.