

Annual Report
Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)
Academic Year: 2025–2026

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Adv. B. Deshpande College of Commerce (Night) continued to play a significant role during the Academic Year 2025–2026 in promoting quality enhancement and academic development within the institution. IQAC remained committed to strengthening academic planning, encouraging research activities, and organizing programs that contribute to the overall growth of students, faculty members, and the institution.

During the academic year, IQAC took an important initiative in the **finalization of subjects for the Second Year B.Com (S.Y.B.Com)** in accordance with the structure introduced under the **National Education Policy (NEP)**. In order to ensure proper implementation of the new academic framework, IQAC conducted discussions and meetings with the teaching staff of the college. After thorough deliberation and consensus among the faculty members, it was decided that students would be provided with **two options in the Major subjects**, allowing them to select the subject based on their academic interest and future career aspirations. The two options finalized were **Accountancy** and **Commerce**, thereby providing flexibility and a student-centric approach in line with the NEP guidelines.

With the objective of familiarizing newly admitted students with the new academic structure, IQAC organized an **Orientation Programme for First Year B. Com students on 20th July 2025**. The main aim of the programme was to create awareness among students and parents about the National Education Policy and to help them understand the various benefits, opportunities, and flexibility offered under the new system of higher education. The orientation programme also guided students regarding credit structure, multidisciplinary learning, and skill-based education. The programme received an encouraging response with **around 50 students and 35 parents** attending the session. It helped in building clarity among students and parents regarding the new educational framework and the academic expectations of the college.

In order to promote research culture and academic exchange, IQAC organized a **One-Day Multidisciplinary International Conference titled “It’s New India: India’s Progression towards Viksit Bharat” on 23rd August 2025**. The conference served as a significant academic platform for scholars, academicians, and researchers to discuss India’s progress from multidisciplinary perspectives. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from researchers and academicians from various institutions. **More than 120 research papers were published in the Peer Reviewed and Refereed Research Journal “GENIUS” (ISSN: 2279-0489) with an Impact Factor of 7.508, and more than 50 research scholars presented their research papers** during the technical sessions.

The conference was inaugurated by **Dr. J. K. Tripathi, Joint Secretary, UGC**, who delivered the inaugural address highlighting the importance of research and academic collaboration in shaping the vision of a developed India. The **Keynote Address** was delivered by **Dr. Niranjana Devkota, Research Fellow, Government of Nepal**, who shared his valuable insights on global research perspectives and the role of multidisciplinary studies in national development. The conference was further enriched by the presence of **Dr. Rajiv Nayan, Assistant Professor, University of Delhi**, who attended as a Special Invitee. The expert panel for the conference included **CA Prakash Pathak, Brig. Sangram Dalvi, and Dr. Nilesh Mhatre, Assistant Professor, SNTD University**, who discussed important issues related to economic growth, national development, and contemporary challenges. The technical sessions were effectively chaired by **Dr. N. Pakshirajan and Dr. Sumant Autade**, who guided and interacted with the presenters during the research paper presentations. The **Valedictory Session** was addressed by **Ayurvedacharya Dr. Mangesh Deshpande**, who emphasized the importance of holistic development and traditional knowledge systems in building a progressive nation.

In addition to academic initiatives, IQAC also focused on the health and well-being of staff members. An **Annual Staff Health Check-up Drive** was organized on **10th November 2025**, during which the health status of all teaching and non-teaching staff members was examined. The health check-up was conducted by **Dr. K. R. Joshi, Honorary Secretary of Sarvajanik Shikshan Sanstha**, who personally interacted with and assessed the health conditions of the staff members. This initiative aimed at promoting awareness about preventive healthcare and encouraging regular health monitoring among employees of the institution.

IQAC also promoted student participation and intercollegiate interaction through academic competitions. In collaboration with the **Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (DLLE)**, an **Intercollegiate PowerPoint Presentation Competition** was organized on **22nd November 2025** on the theme “**Gen Z Fashion Funda – Effects and Side Effects.**” The competition aimed to encourage students to critically analyze the influence of modern fashion trends on youth and society. The event received an enthusiastic response with **37 students from various colleges across Mumbai and its suburbs** participating in the competition. The presentations reflected creativity, critical thinking, and awareness among students regarding contemporary social trends. The competition was evaluated by an esteemed panel of external judges consisting of **Dr. Himanshu Lapashia, Mr. Manoj Arjun Sangre, and Miss Shravani Shinde**, who appreciated the quality and originality of the student presentations.

Apart from academic and co-curricular activities, IQAC also supported the continuation of institutional traditions that strengthen the cultural fabric of the college. As part of the annual tradition and on the occasion of the **College Establishment Day**, **Shri Satyanarayan Pooja** was organized on **20th August 2025**. The ceremony was conducted with great devotion and enthusiasm. All teaching and non-teaching staff members actively participated in the pooja along with the members of **Sarvajanik Shikshan Sanstha**. The event provided an opportunity for the college community to come together and celebrate the institution’s legacy and shared values.

Overall, during the Academic Year 2025–2026, the IQAC remained actively engaged in initiatives that strengthened academic quality, encouraged research activities, promoted student engagement, and supported the welfare of staff members. Through its continuous efforts, IQAC contributed significantly towards maintaining and enhancing the standards of teaching, learning, and institutional development in the college.

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