

IQAC Activity Report (Academic Year 2024–25)

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Adv. V. B. Deshpande College of Commerce (Night), Mulund (W), played a significant role in promoting quality enhancement and academic excellence during the Academic Year 2024–25 by organizing a series of student-centric, faculty development, and institutional quality initiatives. With the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, IQAC focused on creating awareness among students, parents, and faculty members while strengthening the overall quality culture of the institution.

The academic activities commenced with an **Orientation Programme for F.Y.B.Com students and their parents** on **20 July 2024**, where newly admitted students were introduced to the NEP 2020 framework, academic regulations, credit-based curriculum, examination system, and various support services available in the college. The programme witnessed the participation of **40 students and 16 parents**. This was followed by a **Guidance Session on NEP for Commerce and Accountancy students** on **22 July 2024**, which provided detailed information regarding the multidisciplinary curriculum, major-minor structure, skill enhancement courses, and academic flexibility under the new education policy. A total of **42 students** benefited from this session.

IQAC celebrated the **Foundation Day of the College** on **17 August 2024**, with the participation of **144 students and staff members**, commemorating the institution's journey and reaffirming its commitment towards quality education and value-based learning. In continuation of its efforts to facilitate the successful implementation of NEP 2020, IQAC organized a **Workshop on Effective Implementation of NEP** on **24 August 2024** for faculty members. The workshop focused on innovative teaching-learning methodologies, outcome-based education, curriculum planning, and best practices for effective academic delivery.

To promote research and academic excellence, IQAC organized an **International Conference** in **online mode** on **3 September 2024**, providing a common platform for academicians, researchers, professionals, and students to exchange knowledge, present research papers, and deliberate on contemporary issues relevant to higher education and society.

Recognizing the importance of experiential learning, IQAC organized an **Industrial Visit** on **21 December 2024** to **Parle, NAB, and Shiv Mandir at Ambernath**. The visit enabled students to gain practical exposure to industrial operations and organizational practices while also appreciating social and cultural values. A total of **33 students and 6 faculty members** participated in the visit.

To encourage creativity and digital competencies among students, IQAC organized an **Intercollegiate Short Film, Reels, and Meme Competition** on **4 January 2025**. The event provided an innovative platform for students to express their ideas through digital media while enhancing their communication, technical, and creative skills. Subsequently, on **18 January 2025**, IQAC, in collaboration with the Non-Teaching Staff, conducted an **Online Workshop on the Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Work**. The workshop introduced participants to emerging AI tools and demonstrated their applications in office administration, documentation, data management, and academic support, thereby promoting digital transformation within the institution.

Overall, the IQAC successfully conducted a wide range of quality enhancement initiatives throughout the academic year that aligned with the objectives of the National Education Policy 2020. Through orientation programmes, faculty development activities, research promotion, industrial exposure, creative competitions, and technology-oriented workshops, IQAC strengthened the academic ecosystem of the college and fostered a culture of continuous improvement, innovation, research, and institutional excellence. These initiatives significantly contributed to enhancing student learning experiences, faculty competencies, and the overall quality assurance mechanisms of the institution.

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