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Title of Activity: Workshop on "Reading Inspiration Day"
Participants: : 18 Faculty Members and 69 students
Guest Name : Principal Dr. R. B. Bhuyekar
Date :15th October 2026
Organized by :Shikshan Maharshi Principal M. R. Desai Library

Summary : **Vachan Prerana Din (Reading Inspiration Day)** was celebrated on 15th October 2026 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam. The programme was organized by Shikshan Maharshi Principal M. R. Desai Library to promote reading habits, encourage intellectual development, and strengthen the reading culture among students.The programme commenced with the **floral tribute and worship of the portrait of Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam** by the Principal, Dr. R. B. Bhuyekar.In his introductory address, **Librarian R. R. More** explained the objectives and significance of celebrating Vachan Prerana Din. She emphasized the importance of developing regular reading habits and conveyed the inspiring message, **"Read to Survive and Succeed" (Vachal Tar Vachal)**. She also extended his best wishes for the successful organization of the programme. In his presidential address, **Dr. R. B. Bhuyekar, Principal of the College**, delivered an inspiring message that **"There is no substitute for the habit of reading to lead a successful life."** He highlighted that reading enhances knowledge, provides direction to thoughts, develops critical thinking, and enriches an individual's life. He encouraged students to cultivate reading as an essential part of their daily routine.As per the circular issued by **Shivaji University, Kolhapur, dated 12th October 2026**, a collective reading activity based on the volume *"Vande Mataram: Ek Itihas"* was organized. Under the guidance of **Dr. R. B. Powar**, the students, teaching faculty, and non-teaching staff actively participated in reading selected passages from the volume.The activity provided participants with an opportunity to understand the historical background and significance of *Vande Mataram*. It also aimed to promote patriotism, national pride, unity, and reading awareness among participants. At the conclusion, **Prof. Dr. D. K. Dake** proposed the vote of thanks and expressed gratitude to the Principal, faculty members, non-teaching staff, and students for their active participation and cooperation. The programme was successfully conducted with the cooperation of teaching and non-teaching staff and the valuable support of Chairman Hon. Prof. Dr. Manjiri Ajit More, Secretary Hon. Prof. Jaykumar M. Desai, Patron Council Member Shri Daulat J. Desai, Administrative Officer Shri Prithavi More, and Principal Dr. R. B. Bhuyekar**.**





Outcome: The programme promoted reading habits, enhanced awareness of the historical significance of Vande Mataram, and fostered patriotism and a reading culture among students and staff.

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