**THE DEPARTMENT OF LIFELONG LEARNING AND EXTENSION (DLLE)**

The Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension [DLLE] (known earlier as Department of Adult and Continuing Education and Extension) established on October 12, in the Year 1978 and has been recognized as a statutory Department of the University of Mumbai since 1994 to promote a meaningful and sustained rapport between the Universities and the community. The DLLE seeks to facilitate the sensitization of students to socio-cultural realities. Degree College Students take up extension work projects related to social issues, for which they are awarded 10 additional marks in their final examinations on successful completion of 120/240 hours of work, and the submission of the project report in time. The motto of the department was to develop a sense of social responsibility and prepare students for greater social commitments. To enhance employability skills as personality development, team building, presentation skills, writing abilities, time management skills, organizing skills, entrepreneurship and leadership skills of the students. To deepen the teacher's and student's knowledge through a wider exposure to real life situations through a variety of programs.

Following this trend, 316 students from all streams—BBI, BMS, BAF, BSc (IT), M. Com, and MSC (IT) were registered for the 2023–2024 academic year. The students are registered in the industry-oriented program, and Career program. From each stream, six students were chosen to be Student Managers. To improve the student's inherent skills and leadership potential by providing opportunities the college arranges various such sessions which are as follows:

**First Term Training** was conducted by DLLE Department of University of Mumbai which was organized by Sahyadri Shikshan Seva Mandal's Degree College, Naigaon on 05th August, 2023. Extension teachers and students participated in it wherein all activities and programs pertaining to DLLE were informed to be conducted throughout the year. Also this year DLLE had made everything online so guidance regarding the same was given and also some more programmes were added so information about the same was also given. Similarly, First term Training was organized by our Field Coordinator Dr. Sulbha Raorane through Zoom platform on 06th September, 2023 wherein she guided the students pertaining to all DLLE activities.

A Guest Lecture on the topic **“Career Opportunities in Aviation Industry”** was organized on 28th August, 2023.The speaker emphasized on the advantages of being in the aviation and hospitality sector, there by stating it is a very lucrative industry. The most attractive and best-paid sector in the world is the aviation sector was stated by him. The speaker also said that the aviation industry always provides the candidate with a very fascinating lifestyle for youngsters who want to travel around whole world. He stressed that each and every branch of the aviation sector has a very different need and criteria according to the workplace. He briefly touched upon the various careers in aviation like career in Airline and Commercial Pilot, Air Traffic Controller, Aircraft Maintenance Engineer, Flight Attendant, Aviation Medicine, Aerospace Engineer, Aviation Management, etc. He also threw a light on skills required for career in aviation such as Pleasant & friendly personality, agility & good sense of balance, good health & physical fitness, clear speech and voice, presence of mind, team work, presence of mind, punctuality, patience and politeness. He enlightened 136 number of students on some of the prominent courses in aviation that will help aspirants to build their own careers in these sectors.

**Guidance session on Career options in I.T Industry** was organized on 15th September, 2023 in association with Aptech Institute. Mr. Gaurav Munj, Sales Head, Aptech was the speaker for the session. He guided the students pertaining to entry into airlines industry and its whole working structure. 63 students attended the same.

Second term Training was conducted by DLLE Department of University of Mumbai on 02nd December. 2023 at Kalina Campus where guidance was given on online submission of DLLE annexures and project diary.

A **Session in Career in Hospitality** was organized on 13th December 2024. Mr. Praful Pradhi the speaker of the session had guided the students about this new sector which is prevailing at a huge demand in the market. India's rich cultural diversity is drawing tourists from around the world, which is driving expansion in the country's hospitality industry and also a career option for today’s energetic youth. Growing middle class and more disposable income have led to a growth in domestic travel in the service industry, which is known for spiritual tourism. During the session, students received guidance on how the government is developing ports as hubs for cruise tourism, offering hotel services. Students were motivated by the speaker to explore this industry more and choose it as their career option.

A **Soft Skills Session** was held on December 14, 2023. Mr. Sebastian Dominic Pinto, who has over 24 years of expertise in a different sector, hosted the session. In addition, he holds positions at NIIT LTD. and the ICICI Foundation as a Consultant Manager and Operation Manager-in-Charge. The instructor provided information on the proficiency and training pertinent to the business offered by a variety of technical and non-technical programs, which result in long-term job prospects.

**Funfair activity** was arranged in college premises on 20th December, 2023 where students had put up stalls related to various food items thus inculcating a sense of confidence in them and also imbibing in them the qualities of selling, communication etc.

**On 04th January, 2024, A Session on “Career opportunities in Banking and Finance”** was organized. The objective of the session was to provide insight about the current opportunities in the banking and finance sector. The resource person was Mr. Pankaj Gandhi who has diverse experience in the field of Banking and Finance, Management and Entrepreneurship. Various self-employment opportunities in Mutual Funds, Retail Banking etc. were discussed during the session. He also enlightened the students about various banking exams like State Bank of India Probationary Officer, IBPS exam for clerk, RBI exam etc. The session received an overwhelming response from the students. Informal positive feedback was received from 58 students.

Workshop on “**Practical** **Concepts of Accounting & Auditing**” was arranged for selected DLLE students for 30 hours which started from 05th January, 2024. Students were given practical training regarding various aspects of accounting and auditing so as to make them ready for industry job oriented. Certification was given to all successful students at the end of the workshop. Mr. Ashish Navik of Akord& Co. along with his other teammates had conducted all sessions.

A **"Session on Investment Awareness on Mutual Fund"** was arranged by the Department of DLLE on 09th January 2024. Mr. Manoj Naik, an assistant professor at NKES College and an ANMI-certified stock market trainer with ten years of stock market trading expertise, hosted the event. 101 students participated in the workshop where they received guidance on the value of investing and saving. Students gained knowledge on how to construct long-term investments. They also understood the fundamentals of mutual funds and the stock market. A wise investment approach was also emphasized to the students.

A Session on **Cyber security** was conducted 13th January 2024. The workshop aimed to provide participants with in-depth knowledge and practical experience in various aspects of cyber security. 56 students had participated in the session. The objective of the session was to reinforce fundamental cyber security concepts and tools.

***"UDAAN – the flight of Extension”*** **Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (DLLE)** organizes the Annual Extension Work Festival titled **"UDAAN – the flight of Extension.”** This year the festival was organized on 20th January 2024 from 9.00 am to 2.00 pm at St. Francis Institute of Management, Borivali (W). The objective of the festival is to create awareness about social issues through various competitions on extension work projects. This year the theme of the fest was **‘Election literacy’.** To create awareness and importance of voting to our new youth voters. This year the Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension has organized various competitions- Creative writing, Street play, Poster making, Powada singing and Elocution. Our college had participated with the great zeal in all the competitions at the festival. Our student won 3rd Prize in Creative Writing. These competitions raise awareness of social concerns in the context of today's technologically advanced world and offer students a chance to improve their abilities in order to better connect with emerging opportunities in the fields of management, education, and entrepreneurship. Asst. Prof. Pooja Barad and Asst. Prof Anita Sharma (Extension Work Teachers) along with 12 students participated in this.

***“ELYSIUM”- An Inter-Collegiate Fest.*** The Department of DLLE of Amlani College Vile Parle in association with DLLE Department of University of Mumbai had organized an Inter-Collegiate Event for DLLE students on 04th February 2024. Elysium where our students of DLLE had participated in various events such as: Tattoo making, Essay Writing, Happy Moments. and secured third prize.

On 13th February 2024, a session was organized on “**Introduction of Certified Financial Planner (CFP)** programme and its career opportunities”. The Resource Person was Mr. Parag Sanghavi (MBA, M. Com, CFA), Manager in Situs-Amc. Mr. Parag Sanghavi had given a brief

orientation on the minimum requirements for admission to the CFP programme and exemptions for MBA candidates and the papers of this professional programme. He shared his practical experience in the profession of Financial Planner, the employability prospects at global level and pay packages. The session received an overwhelming response from 93 students.

**A Social Visit** had planned and organized to **old age home at Datta Jay Foundation,** Borivali (West) “Old age home is a multi-residence housing facility intended for senior citizen.” We reached their along with all the students of DLLE on 21st February 2024 at 11:00 am. Firstly, we gathered in the meeting hall where the sister of institution gave introduction about the institution organization and facilities rendered by them. Later on, she gave us the orientation of institution and introduced us to their members. There were 65 elderly man and woman in old age home.

The students of the college interacted with the elderly followed by an entertainment program. The inmates were very happy and blessed everyone. It was a joyous occasion with full of satisfaction that the team could bring some rays of happiness among the elderly. It was a pleasure witnessing such wonderful work i.e. unconditional services. Visiting an old age home was an eye-opening experience for the students. It gives a glimpse into the lives of the elderly and the challenges they face.

**Career Exhibition and Prize distribution ceremony** was held on 20th March 2023. All DLLE students participated in this event. Field Co-ordinator Dr. Sulbha Raorane was the guest of honour for this event. She addressed the students regarding DLLE activities and also encouraged and motivated students for their hard work. CP students had displayed their charts related to respective careers on the same day. Students from CP and IOP schemes were awarded with prizes for their extra ordinary contribution done towards their program.