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In order to avoid the communication gap among the various stakeholders of the institute on all academic and administrative matters and also to facilitate the achievement of the intended student learning outcomes, the ‘Faculty Council’ of the college resolved to bring out a quarterly e-newsletter. The various activities organized from time to time, be it co-curricular or extracurricular will be a part of this newsletter. All important events planned will also be covered.

Besides mailing online to all the concerned, this will also be kept on our website. We earnestly seek suggestions for improvement.

- Dr. D. Vijaya Prasad  
Director

## **Sri Kode Durga Prasad's Visit:**

Sri Kode Durga Prasad, Jt. Director, visited the college and interacted with the faculty on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep. He advised the faculty to update themselves with technology appropriate for the conduct of online classes. He promised that all the technical support required for conducting online classes will be provided by the management. He also inspected the classes and the arrangements made to conduct online classes. On 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2020 Sri Kode Durga Prasad garu visited the college again and interacted with the faculty. He found out if all technical facilities provided for the conduct of online classes were satisfactory. That day being the Police Commemoration Day, our Director Dr. Vijaya Prasad garu spoke about police personnel in general and about Sri Durga Prasad garu as a revered and noted police officer of eminence. He lauded Sri Durga Prasad garu for working tirelessly for the VJ institutions even after retirement, and felicitated him on this occasion.



## Editorial:

VJIAS, as a liberal arts and science college, aims to impart broad general knowledge and develop intellectual capabilities among students. The word ‘Arts’ stands for a wide gamut of disciplines including Commerce and Management. The Liberal Arts’ continue to be the broader name for ‘Arts and Sciences’ that are not linked to specific professions. The word ‘Liberal’ indicates “which is not professional.” A liberal arts education enables students to develop both on the creative side and the analytical side. In an Arts and Science College, a student learns about ethics and empathy besides ‘critical thinking’. It provides a wholesome growth along with a unique learning experience to the student. Realising the importance of liberal Arts, even the AICTE has opened up the introduction of Humanities, Social Sciences and Pure Sciences even in engineering colleges and IITs. Education only for technical skills devoid of ethical, moral and humanistic pursuits will obviously devalue the learner. If we do not reflect on society’s concerns, the skills gained may prove to be useless. Liberal education courses provide connectedness with life and the society at large.

In the recent “National Education Policy” – 2019, an exclusive chapter “Liberal Arts” is devoted to explain its crucial importance. People move towards a broad – based liberal education for holistic development. VJIAS is committed to promote ‘Liberal Arts’.

‘Technology integration and use’ is an important strategy for improving the quality of education. The present students are ‘Gen-Z learners’ (born between 1997 and 2010) and are true digital natives. They are born in the digital era and are familiar with computers, multimedia content and internet based activities from an early age. They live in the ‘online’ environment and prefer connecting with people through ‘Social Media’.

The UGC guidelines issued during ‘lockdown’ period suggest that a minimum of 25% of teaching should be carried out through ‘online teaching’ from now onwards for an eventual smooth transition from offline to online, over a period, if necessary. All the students are strongly advised to have a good laptop, or tablet or smart phone and to create e-mail IDs and download WhatsApp to be connected to regular classes. Online learning is the only option as of now. Teachers are now creating e-material such as videos and PPTs and are sharing links with students.

We have to maximize our strengths to move forward!

## Virtual Teachers' day Celebrations

On 5<sup>th</sup> Sep, Teachers' Day was celebrated virtually. All the faculty and most students participated and spoke about the importance of teachers. Students also showed videos related to teachers being an inspiration. Our Director Dr. D. Vijaya Prasad was felicitated by our chairman, Sri. Y.J. Venkata Rao garu., and Ms. M.Anuradha, senior faculty, Commerce Dept. was felicitated by the management on this occasion with a bouquet, memento and shawl. All the teachers were presented with bouquets on behalf of the management.



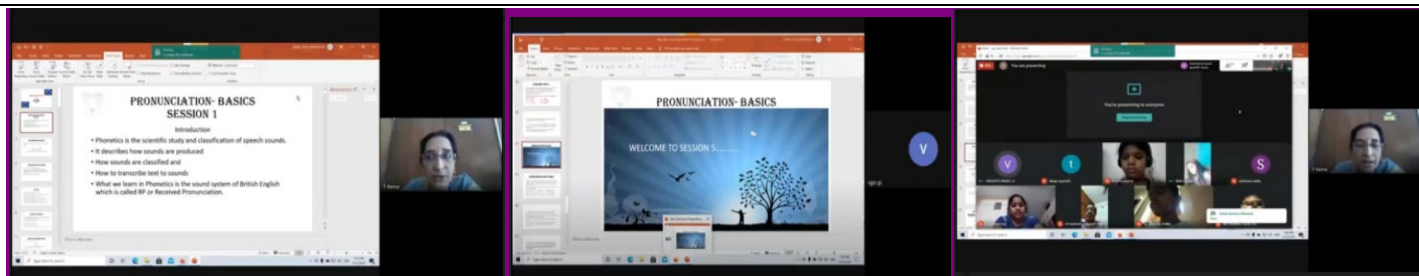
Teacher's Day Celebrations

**World Happiness Report:** In the "World Happiness Report" of 2020 released in March (<http://bit.ly/2HjQuYt>). India is ranked 144 out of the 153 countries. The first 5 ranks go to Finland, Denmark, Switzerland, Iceland and Norway respectively. Even India's neighbours are ahead-Bangladesh(107), Srilanka (130),Nepal(92) and Pakistan(66).The Unhappiest people are in Afghanistan(153), South Sudan (152), Zimbabwe(151),Rwanda(150),and the Central African Republic(149).

Dated : 25<sup>th</sup> October,2020 (Source : The Hindu)

## ‘English Pronunciation for All’-Series of Lectures

As part of VJ inter-institutional collaboration for knowledge sharing activities, Dr. T. Rama, Vice Principal, delivered a series of lectures on “English Pronunciation for All” to the teachers and students of VJPS from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The lectures were well received by teachers and students alike. Many school students and some parents participated enthusiastically in the lectures.



## ‘English Pronunciation for All’-Series of Lectures

### Faculty Development program I & II :

Faculty Development program on ‘**Online Teaching Methodology**’ was conducted for our faculty in two batches, by Ms. T. Radhika, Ms. K. Triveni & Mr. Sai Teja & Ms. Anuradha on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The topics covered were:

- Synchronous and Asynchronous teaching methodologies for the benefit of students
- The usage of Google Meet Extensions and Steps to conduct webinars
- Certificate preparation and linkage.
- ‘Few Tips and Tricks of an Impressive PPT’ was handled by Ms. M. Anuradha from the Commerce Dept.



By 13<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2020 our college has successfully completed 100 months of existence moving gradually and surely towards establishing a niche for itself in undergraduate education. A proud moment for VJIAS.

## Events Celebrated in the College

### Bathukamma Celebrations

Bathukamma was celebrated in college on 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020 by all faculty and staff with all religious fervour. Bathukammas were prepared in the college and all the faculty sang and danced around them energetically.



**Bathukamma Celebrations**

### Dr. Abdul Kalam's Birthday Celebrations

On Abdul kalam's birthday on 15<sup>th</sup> Oct, our Director, Principal and the Admin staff paid homage to him by garlanding his photo and offering flowers. In this connection a Webinar was conducted on Dr.Kalam's Life history by the webinar committee on 31<sup>st</sup> October. 6 Students from BBA and B.Com Streams presented their views on kalam's life and philosophy in the webinar. The Director Dr.Vijaya Prasad shared his views on Dr.Kalam and appreciated the participants.



Dr. Abdul Kalam's Birthday

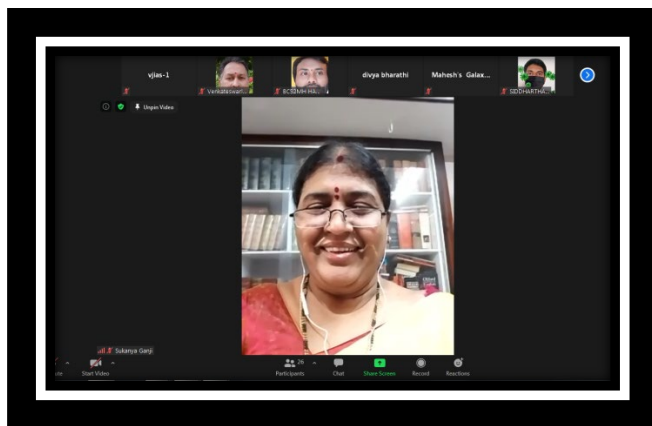
## Gandhi Jayanthi

On account of Gandhiji's birthday celebrations on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, NSS Committee organized a quiz competition on his life and teachings on 3 October, 2020 through Google forms. Nearly 150 students from different colleges, besides our own college, like Koti women's, Khairatabad Degree College, Begumpet Womens' college, Kasturba, Villa Marie, AV College, Jagruthi, Jahnavi, Ideal, Ramakrishna Degree college, Deccan college of Medical Sciences, e.t.c., participated in this competition and were given E- certificates. The NSS committee took initiative to conduct the quiz.

On 26<sup>th</sup> September Seminar committee organized webinars on Gandhian Principles, Ethics & Philosophy, to commemorate Gandhiji's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary. 6 students participated and presented their views on Gandhiji's life Principles, Ethics & Philosophy.

## Telangana Bhasha Dinotsavam

Telangana Bhasha Dinotsavam was celebrated virtually, on 9<sup>th</sup> September. Kaloji Narayana Rao jayanthi was declared as Telangana Bhasha Dinotsavam by the Government of Telangana. Dr. Sukanya, Principal, Vivekananda Government Degree College, was the Chief Guest and main speaker. Dr. Sukanya spoke about the greatness of Telangana Bhasha and Kaloji's life history. Our Director Dr. Vijaya Prasad Garu also delivered his lecture on Telangana Bhasha. Our faculty Ms. Sujatha, Ms. T. Radhika and a few students spoke about Kaloji Narayan Rao and Telugu Bhasha. Our Principal Dr. N. Aruna spoke on the occasion and felicitated Dr. Sukanya virtually by presenting a bouquet and memento. Ms. M. Anuradha introduced the speaker and the program was organized and anchored by Dr. Venkateshwarlu, Telugu Faculty.



## Saturday Webinars

The Webinar committee organized webinars on Saturdays on different topics. All the students participated enthusiastically and presented their views on varied topics of interest. The table below gives details of the webinar topics and the names of the students who participated.

Date	Topic	Student Names	Stream & Year
5 <sup>th</sup> Sep	✓ About Teachers Day	1. Karan 2. Lavanya 3. Baruch 4. Chaithanya 5. Jaya Prakash 6. Greeshma 7. Anusha 8. Rachana 9. Anugna 10. Mahesh	B.Com III Year B.Com III Year BBA III year BBA III year BBA III year BBA II year BBA II year BBA III year B.Com II year BBA III year
19 <sup>th</sup> Sep	✓ About Panasonic ✓ Digital Marketing ✓ Relationships ✓ Online Classes	1. Keerthana & Mokshagna 2. Bhanu Prakash 3. Baruch & Mahalakshmi 4. Ganesh	BBA III year B.Com III year
26 <sup>th</sup> Sep	✓ About Gandhiji's Life History	1. Pramidha 2. Durga & Mamatha 3. Mubassir 4. Anugna 5. Shravanthi	BBA II year BBA III year BBA III year B.Com II year BBA II year
3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	✓ About Gandhiji's Life Philosophy ✓ Artificial Intelligence ✓ Mars Orbital Mission (MOM)	1. Bilal Pasha 2. Shravya Bharathi & Sai Shravya 3. Rajeshwari and Tejaswini 4. Shirisha and Pravalika 5. Siddhartha	B.Sc III year BBA II year BBA III year B.Sc III year B.Com Gen III Year
31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	✓ Dr. Abdul Kalam's Life History	1. Anugna & Nikshay 2. Baruch & Rakshitha 3. Mahesh 4. Baruch	B.Com II Year BBA III year BBA III year BBA III year



# VIGNANA JYOTHI PHILOSOPHY

**“NEW LEARNING EVERY DAY”**  
**“Presencing”**

It is the Philosophy of Vignana Jyothi that Education is a Process of ‘PRESENCING’ that leads, both individually and collectively, to one’s deepest capacity to sense and shape the future. Based on a synthesis of direct experience, leading edge thinking and ancient wisdom, it taps into ‘SERENDIPITY’ and deeper levels of ‘LEARNING’ for discovering new possibilities”

*Dr. D. N. Rao, President*



• To be ‘Present ‘and ‘Experiencing’ - ‘Experiencing’ the present.



**The President, Vice President & Joint Secretary, VJ, handing over the cheque for 40 lakh rupees to Sri. K.T. Rama Rao toward CM Relief Fund to combat COVID-19**

## Significant Events:

- Dr.N. Aruna, Principal and Ms.T.Radhika, faculty attended a Webinar and Panel Discussion on “NEP 2020-It’s a Paradigm Shift in Content and Intent –A Look into Higher Education” . The panelists were Dr.Apparao,VC,University of Hyderabad, V.L Subramanyam, IIT Hyderabad, Dr.S.S.Mantha, Chancellor, K.L University and Sanjiv Mehta, IBM Innovation for Education.
- Online classes are being conducted for all II & III year students from 1-9-2020 as it was directed by state Government.Revision classes for the final year students, (VI Sem 2020 batch), who have to write their final exams were also conducted.

### VIGNANA JYOTHI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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