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RAJIV GANDHI MAHAVIDYALAYA

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Department of Political Science

Voter Awareness Campaign Report

Name of the Activity: Voter Awareness Campaign

Date: 10/11/2025 TO 15/11/2025

Chief Guest: Mrs. Supriya Dahale (Group Education Officer, Panchayat Samiti, Mudkhed)

Objectives:

1) To increase awareness among students about the importance of voting

2) To promote active participation in the democratic process

3) To encourage responsible voter behaviour and civic responsibility

Outcome:

- 1) Students became aware of the importance of voting and democratic participation.
- 2) The campaign increased interest among students in local self-government and election processes.
- 3) Students pledged to vote responsibly and without any bias or inducement.

Brief Report:

The election process is considered the soul of democracy. Through adult franchise, citizens elect their representatives, and the democratic governance system functions through these elected representatives. It has been observed that a large number of citizens in India do not participate in the voting process. To strengthen democracy by increasing people's participation in elections, a Voter Awareness Campaign has been undertaken.

In the coming period, elections to the Local Self-Government Institutions will be conducted in Maharashtra. To encourage maximum citizen participation in this election process, the Department of Political Science of Rajiv Gandhi Mahavidyalaya, Mudkhed, in collaboration with the Mudkhed Municipal Council, has organized a Voter Awareness Campaign. Under this campaign, the following competitions were conducted.

1) Elocution Competition

With the objective of encouraging intellectual thinking among students, an elocution competition was organized under the Voter Awareness Campaign. Various topics were given to the participants such as "Local Self-Government Institutions as the Foundation of Democracy," "Voting is Not Only My Right but Also My Duty," "My Village – My Candidate," "A Voting Citizen is Responsible for Social Change," "Let Us Choose a Good Candidate," "Let Us Build Our City," "Youth Participation in the Voting Process," and "Women's Participation – A Key to Strong Local Governance."

The competition was successfully conducted on 10th November 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi Mahavidyalaya, Mudkhed. The event was judged by Dr. R. P. Dhawre and Dr. R. V. Mungal. A total of 19 students participated in the competition.

Winners:

- 1. Anjali Govindrao Chavan First Prize
- 2. Deshmukh Ankita Satishrao Second Prize
- 3. Rutuja Shriram Rathod Third Prize



Shruti Maruti More delivering her speech during the Elocution Competition, with Dr. D. H. Mehetre and Dr. Mayur Darbeshwar present on the dais.

Miss Rutuja Shriram Rathod speaking during the Elocution Competition, with Dr. D. H. Mehetre on the dais.



2) Essay Competition

An essay competition was organized as part of the Voter Awareness Campaign on November 15, 2025, at 12:30 PM at Rajiv Gandhi College, Mudkhed. An Essay Competition was organized under the Voter Awareness Campaign. Various topics were given for the competition, including "Local Elections: A Democratic Festival Connected to Citizens' Lives," "Importance of Voter Awareness Campaigns," "Measures to Increase Voter Turnout," "Voter Awareness through Social Media," "Responsible Voter," and "Youth Participation as the Identity of a Strong India." A total of 34 students participated in the competition. The essays were evaluated by Dr. D. H. Mehetre and Dr. Madhav Baswante.

Winners:

- 1. Chaudante Kadambari Chandrakant First Prize
- 2. Gayatri Kalidas Panchal Second Prize
- 3. Pusdekar Shital Arjun Third Prize



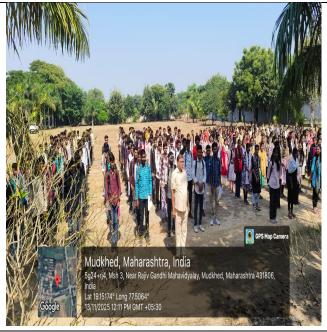
3) Voter's Pledge

A pledge regarding voting was administered at Rajiv Gandhi College, Mudkhed, on November 13, 2025, at 12:10 PM. With the objective of creating awareness among students regarding the importance of voting, a Voter's Pledge was administered on the occasion of National Voters' Day. All teaching and non-teaching staff of the college were present for this programme. The pledge stated: "We, the citizens of India, having abiding faith in democracy, pledge to uphold the democratic traditions of our country and the sanctity of free, fair and peaceful elections. We further pledge to cast our vote in every election fearlessly and without being influenced by considerations of religion, caste, community, language or any inducement."

The programme was graced by the presence of Mrs. Supriya Dahale (Group Education Officer, Panchayat Samiti, Mudkhed), Mr. Sanjay Mahurkar, and Mr. Vijay Maske as chief guests. The pledge was administered by Dr. D. H. Mehetre, Head of the Department of Political Science. Dr. Madhav Baswante, In-charge Principal, guided the students, and the programme was successfully conducted under the guidance of Principal Dr. A. T. Shinde.



Group Education Officer Mrs. Priya Dahale administering the Voter's Pledge to a student, in the presence of In-charge Principal Dr. Madhav Baswante, Coordinator Dr. D. H. Mehetre, and other teaching and non-teaching staff.



Students taking the Voter's Pledge along with Dr. Vijaysingh Thakur, Head of the Hindi Department.



Dr. D. H. Mehetre administering the Voter's Pledge to the students.



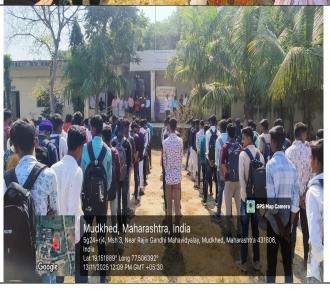
Students taking the Voting Pledge.























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