

Arts, Commerce and Science College, Sonai

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Institutional Distinctiveness:

The college in its mission reads that ‘We shall continually improve the quality of teaching, self-evaluation and accountability of our institute towards society. We shall strive for overall development of students through value based education’. In order to materialize this mission statement of the institute, the college arranged the following distinct activity in order to bridge the gap between the curriculum and the society. We are the part of the environment, we live. Hence it is always the demand of experts to understand the geography of the place like PARIKRAMA of the *Pravara* and Godavari Rivers for the overall development of the community and students.

Mula Education Society's Arts, Commerce and Science College, Sonai and Student Development Board, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune jointly organized Revolution (PARIKRAMA) on the *Pravara* and Godavari River on 02/03/2019. Along with the host college, Jajamata College, Bhenda, Shri. Dnyaneshwar Mahavidyalaya, Newasa and Pemraj Sarda College, Ahmednagar participated in the activity. The activity was sponsored by BoD of Savitribai Phule Pune University. Total expenditure of Rs/- 25,000=00 was incurred. The activity started at old *Kaygaon* near Newasa. Dr. Ashok Tuwar illustrated the importance of the revolution. He also discussed on the planning of the activity. Dr. Rajendra Deshmukh of Pemraj Sarda College explained about the pollution in the river by citing on the live examples. He communicated the effects of population and appealed the students to raise awareness in this respect. He also informed about different trees. Prof. Navnath Agale of Shri Dnyaneshwar Mahavidyalaya explained the physical factors affected by the pollution and shared his views on social and cultural importance of river and appealed the students to save river by cleaning the river bank. Later the students visited the spot of confluence of Pravara and Godavari river at Sidheshwar temple. They also visited archaic Hemadpanthi temple of the Siddheshwara. Shri. Dnyaneshwar Tuwar stressed the point that this temple can become tourist centre so need to be protected. He also pointed about the diversity of trees resulting from the confluence. Later students visited the holy place of Devgarah and Shri Datta Devasthan Temple. The students meticulously studied with its social and religious importance. The students lunched in the after session. Students discussed the importance of river in human life along with organic farming. Dr. Deshmukh shared his views on organic farming. Prof Agale informed about the origin of the river, the length and width of river along with biology on the skirts of the river. At the end Kiran Arangale proposed vote of thanks.

Outcome:- Students viewed the river and its effects on the banks. Students understood the importance of river in the development of human beings. It was an innovative programme to learn the effects of the confluence of river on the earth surface, ecosystem and on the human life. Students derived pleasure while learning the importance of the river in the human life.