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Title of Event	Guidance Lecture on Competitive Examinations		
Date of Event	8 th of August 2024	Place of Event	St. Vincent College, Pune
Objective of the event	To expose the students to various career opportunities in competitive examinations		
Name of the resource person	Nirav Suratwala		
A short narration of the program			
Guidance Lecture on Competitive Examinations at St. Vincent College			
<p>On 8th August 2024, St. Vincent College organized a comprehensive guidance lecture on competitive examinations, conducted by Mr. Nirav Suratwala, a prominent expert from the Competitive Exams Centre of HV Desai College, Pune. The session was aimed at providing valuable insights to students aspiring to enter government services, highlighting the importance of competitive exams as a pathway to contributing to national development.</p> <p>Mr. Suratwala began the lecture by emphasizing the critical role of government services in shaping the future of India. He noted that students aspiring to enter public service through competitive exams such as the UPSC Civil Services, State Public Service Commissions, Staff Selection Commission (SSC), and Banking exams are essential drivers of positive change in governance. He explained that government officers play a direct role in policy implementation, social welfare programs, and decision-making processes that affect the nation's progress.</p> <p>The key theme of the lecture was "contributing to India's development before its 100th Independence Day" in 2047. Mr. Suratwala encouraged the students to view public service as a means of realizing their aspirations of making India a developed nation. He underscored that the youth, through dedicated work in the government, can address critical issues such as poverty, education, healthcare, infrastructure, and environmental sustainability.</p> <p>The resource person also provided a detailed overview of the competitive examination landscape, outlining the eligibility criteria, syllabus, preparation strategies, and timelines for</p>			



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various exams. He stressed the need for systematic preparation and perseverance, as these exams are highly competitive and require a strong foundation in general knowledge, current affairs, aptitude, and communication skills.

Mr. Suratwala's discussion also included the benefits of government jobs, such as job security, a stable career, and the opportunity to make meaningful contributions to society. He urged students to think beyond personal success and focus on the larger goal of nation-building.

The lecture concluded with a Q&A session where students inquired about preparation techniques, available resources, and the balance between studies and competitive exam preparation. Mr. Suratwala shared practical tips on time management, utilizing online and offline resources, and staying motivated throughout the preparation process.

Overall, the guidance lecture provided students with a clear understanding of the significance of competitive examinations as a gateway to public service. It inspired them to pursue careers that would not only ensure personal growth but also contribute to the nation's journey towards development. The event was well-received, leaving students motivated to explore their potential in public administration and governance.

Name of the Collaborating Agency	Competitive Exams Centre of HV Desai College, Pune
Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants	The students learnt about the various career opportunities in competitive examinations
Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team	To expose the students to multiple avenues apart from their traditional career paths.
Participants	Students of St. Vincent College
Faculty in Charge	Dr Gilbi John, Dr. Junaid Shaikh
Documents Attached	Photographs



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