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Title of the Event	Seminar on the theme of "Contribution of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in shaping the land of Maharashtra" on occasion of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti		
Date of the Event	19 th February 2025	Place of the event	St. Vincent College
Objectives of the Event	The seminar aimed to commemorate Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti by fostering a deeper understanding of his historical significance and his role in shaping the political and cultural identity of Maharashtra. It sought to inspire students and staff with his values of justice, leadership, and service through an academic and reflective lens.		
Name/s of the Resource Persons	Principal Dr. Anil Adsule and Prof. Yogesh Mate.		
A short narration of the program			
On 19th February 2025, St. Vincent College, Pune, observed Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti with a thoughtful and well-attended seminar titled “Contribution of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in Shaping the Land of Maharashtra.” The event was held in the college reading room, creating an intellectually engaging atmosphere conducive to reflection and learning. The seminar was organized to honor the legacy of the great Maratha ruler on his birth anniversary and to foster a deeper understanding of his enduring impact on Maharashtra’s political, social, and cultural foundations. The seminar was led by Dr. Anil Adsule, the Principal of the college, who served as the main resource person. Drawing from historical sources and scholarly analysis, Dr. Adsule presented a comprehensive overview of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj’s visionary leadership and administrative acumen. He emphasized how Shivaji Maharaj was not merely a warrior king but a nation-builder who laid the early structures of self-rule (swarajya) based on justice, inclusivity, and good governance. Dr. Adsule highlighted key aspects of Shivaji Maharaj’s contributions, including his innovative military strategies, establishment of a decentralized yet efficient administrative system, promotion of local languages in administration, and commitment to protecting the rights of peasants and women. He also discussed the symbolic importance of forts in Shivaji Maharaj’s strategy, illustrating how they served not only as defensive structures but as centers of governance and regional coordination. Dr. Adsule			



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underscored the ethical dimensions of Shivaji's leadership—his respect for all religions, treatment of prisoners of war, and emphasis on dharma as a guiding principle of rule. These values, he noted, remain relevant in contemporary discussions on leadership, integrity, and public service.

The interactive session that followed allowed students and faculty to engage with the topic more deeply, asking questions about Shivaji Maharaj's relationship with other contemporary powers, his naval initiatives, and the relevance of his ideals in modern governance. The reading room, surrounded by books and academic resources, provided a fitting backdrop for the discussion, reinforcing the connection between historical study and intellectual inquiry.

The seminar concluded with a note of appreciation for Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj not only as a historical figure but as a continuing source of inspiration for courage, justice, and ethical leadership. The event served as a meaningful academic tribute, encouraging participants to look beyond myth and legend to engage with the substantive contributions of one of Maharashtra's most transformative leaders.

Name of the Collaborating Agency	_____
Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants	Participants gained a clearer understanding of Shivaji Maharaj's administrative vision, military strategy, and ethical governance, moving beyond popular narratives to appreciate his systemic contributions. They also developed a stronger connection to regional history and its relevance to contemporary leadership and social responsibility.
Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team	The team strengthened their ability to plan and execute theme-based academic events in a small-group setting, enhancing coordination and time management skills. They also learned to create an environment conducive to scholarly discussion, balancing historical content with audience engagement.
No. of Participants	Staff and students of St. Vincent College.
Faculty in Charge	Principal Dr. Anil Adsule and Prof. Yogesh Mate.
Documents Attached	1. Attendance Sheet 2. Geotag photographs 3. Resume of resource persons if any 4. Copy of remuneration paid if any 5. Notice of the event 6. Thank you letter to the resource persons



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