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Title of the Event	Group Reading Session (सामूहक वाचन) Under the Program "Vachan Sankalp Maharashtra"		
Date of the Event	January 14, 2024	Place of the event	Library, St. Vincent College
Objectives of the Event	The Group Reading Session, conducted under the "Vachan Sankalp Maharashtra" initiative, aimed to cultivate regular reading habits, improve language proficiency and comprehension skills, and foster a sense of community through shared literary engagement.		
Name/s of the Resource Persons	Dr. Yogesh Mate		

A short narration of the program

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Introduction

As part of the "Vachan Sankalp Maharashtra" initiative, the Library Committee of St. Vincent College organized a Group Reading Session (सामूहक वाचन) on January 14, 2024. The session aimed to inculcate reading habits among students, enhance comprehension skills, and foster a collective appreciation for literature and knowledge sharing.

Objectives of the Group Reading Session

The primary objectives of the session were:

- To encourage students to develop a habit of regular reading.
- To improve language proficiency and comprehension skills.
- To promote a sense of community and shared learning through reading.
- To introduce students to a variety of literary works and genres.

Details of the Activity

- Over 100 students actively participated in the session, demonstrating great enthusiasm and engagement.
- The session was structured into different segments:
 - Selection of Books and Reading Materials: A variety of books, newspapers, and journals in different languages were provided for reading.
 - Silent Reading: Students read their selected books quietly to focus on comprehension and reflection.



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○ Group Reading and Discussion: Students formed small groups to read aloud and discuss key themes and ideas from their selected texts.

● The books and materials covered included:

○ Marathi Literature: Works by renowned Marathi authors such as P. L. Deshpande, V. S. Khandekar, and Durga Bhagwat.

○ English Literature: Classic novels, poetry, and contemporary fiction.

○ Inspirational and Motivational Books: Writings by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, Swami Vivekananda, and Mahatma Gandhi.

○ Historical and Biographical Works: Books covering significant historical events and biographies of eminent personalities.

○ Newspapers and Magazines: Current affairs, editorial columns, and opinion pieces for awareness and critical thinking development.

Student and Faculty Participation

● Faculty members guided students in selecting books and facilitated discussions on key takeaways from the readings.

● Students actively participated in group discussions, sharing insights and personal interpretations of the texts.

● Some students voluntarily read aloud passages from selected books, enhancing their public speaking and expression skills.

Feedback and Responses

● Students found the session highly engaging and expressed interest in participating in similar activities regularly.

● Faculty members appreciated the initiative, highlighting its role in enhancing students' language skills and critical thinking abilities.

● Suggestions were made to introduce thematic reading sessions and invite guest speakers for future events.

Conclusion



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The Group Reading Session (सामूहक वाचन) under the "Vachan Sankalp Maharashtra" program was a resounding success, achieving its goal of fostering a reading culture among students. The overwhelming participation and positive feedback from both students and faculty members underscored the importance of such initiatives. The Library Committee plans to organize similar events periodically to further promote reading and intellectual development among students.

Acknowledgments: The Library Committee extends its sincere gratitude to the college administration, faculty members, and student volunteers for their valuable support in making this event a success. Special appreciation goes to the students for their enthusiastic participation and dedication to the cause of reading.

Name of the Collaborating Agency	S.P.P.U & Library, St. Vincent College
Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants	Participants enhanced their reading fluency, critical thinking, and interpretive abilities through silent and group reading; they also developed confidence in expressing ideas and gained exposure to diverse genres and languages, including Marathi and English literature.
Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team	The organizing team gained experience in facilitating large-scale participatory reading events, deepened their understanding of student reading preferences, and reinforced the library's role as a collaborative space for intellectual and linguistic development.
No. of Participants	100 Students and Faculty Members of St. Vincent College.
Faculty in Charge	Dr. 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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