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| Title of the Event             | Canteen Day – 30th January 2025 (FYBCom & FYBA)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                    |                           |
| Date of the Event              | 30th January 2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Place of the event | St. Vincent College, Pune |
| Objectives of the Event        | The Canteen Day for F.Y.B.Com and F.Y.B.A students aimed to introduce first-year learners to foundational concepts of entrepreneurship and collective action by engaging them in hands-on micro-enterprise management, with all proceeds donated to Jeevdan Care Centre, Pune. Themed as “Crowdfunding Day” and supported by a faculty talk on community-based resource mobilization, the event sought to blend practical business exposure with early cultivation of empathy and collaborative spirit. |                    |                           |
| Name/s of the Resource Persons | _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    |                           |

A short narration of the program

**Canteen Day – 30th January 2025 (FYBCom & FYBA)**

On 30th January 2025, St. Vincent College, Pune, hosted its annual Canteen Day for first-year undergraduate students of FYBCom and FYBA, marking a formative introduction to experiential learning, collaborative enterprise, and social responsibility at the very outset of their academic journey. As part of a cherished institutional tradition, students voluntarily conceptualized and operated food stalls across the campus, engaging directly in micro-enterprise activities that encompassed menu planning, cost estimation, pricing, inventory management, and customer service. True to the college’s commitment to value-based education, all proceeds generated from the day’s sales were collectively donated to Jeevdan Care Centre, Pune, thereby instilling in students a profound sense of empathy and civic duty from their earliest days in higher education.

The event was thematically designated as “Crowdfunding Day,” and commenced with an insightful faculty-led orientation that introduced foundational concepts of collective resource mobilization, community participation, and digital fundraising strategies. Students were encouraged to view their stall operations not merely as a commercial exercise but as a grassroots model of crowdfunding—where small individual contributions, when pooled with purpose, can create meaningful social impact. This conceptual framing helped bridge abstract financial ideas with tangible action, fostering early-stage entrepreneurial literacy in



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an accessible and engaging manner. Complementing the theme, the day was observed as “Mismatch Day,” with students donning creatively mismatched attire—a playful yet symbolic reflection of diversity, individuality, and the innovative spirit that underpins collaborative ventures.

Pedagogically, the activity served as a powerful entry point into the world of economics, management, and ethical leadership. By working in teams, managing real transactions, and navigating on-the-spot challenges, first-year learners developed essential soft skills such as communication, cooperation, adaptability, and accountability. More significantly, the act of donating their collective earnings cultivated a shared ethos of generosity and social consciousness, aligning personal initiative with institutional values.

This initiative strongly resonates with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, particularly its emphasis on experiential learning, multidisciplinary exposure, and the integration of life skills from the foundational stages of education. Canteen Day thus functions not only as a co-curricular event but as a deliberate pedagogical strategy to nurture well-rounded, socially aware, and future-ready learners.

All aspects of the event—including photographic documentation, donation receipts from Jeevdan Care Centre, student reflections, and faculty observations—have been systematically archived for institutional review and accreditation purposes. The enthusiastic participation and reflective engagement of FYBCom and FYBA students affirm the enduring relevance of this tradition as a cornerstone of holistic development at St. Vincent College.

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| Name of the Collaborating Agency                    | Jeevdan Care Centre                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Learning Outcomes of the Event for the Participants | Students gained initial but meaningful experience in planning, pricing, teamwork, and customer interaction, while understanding how small individual efforts can converge for social good. The activity fostered entrepreneurial awareness, financial literacy, and a sense of shared responsibility—laying a strong ethical and practical foundation for their academic and personal growth. |
| Learning Outcomes for the Organizing team           | The organizing team refined their approach to designing age- and level-appropriate experiential learning activities for first-year students, effectively linking conceptual inputs (e.g., crowdfunding principles) with immersive tasks. They also strengthened logistical coordination for large-scale student participation and reinforced the                                              |



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|                     | integration of social outreach into pedagogical practice from the entry level of undergraduate education.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| No. of Participants | F.Y.B.Com and F.Y.B.A students                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Faculty in Charge   | Dr. Gilbi John                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Documents Attached  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Attendance Sheet</li><li>2. Geotag photographs</li><li>3. Resume of resource persons if any</li><li>4. Copy of remuneration paid if any</li><li>5. Notice of the event</li><li>6. Thank you letter to the resource persons</li></ol> |