



An official newsletter of Maratha Mandal's N. G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences & Research Center, Belagavi.

## MARATHA MANDAL'S FOUNDATION DAY

4<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

On the occasion of Maratha Mandal's Foundation Day, Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery along with Youth Red Cross of the Institute organized Voluntary Blood Donation Camp in association with Mahaveer Blood Bank Belagavi on 4<sup>th</sup> of January, 2021. Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Vice Principal Dr. Viraj Patil, Dr. Deepali Patil from Mahaveer Blood Bank, HOD Department of Oral Pathology Dr. Vijayalakshmi Kotttrashetti and Dr. Deepa Katgalkar, HOD Department of Oral Surgery Dr. Ranganath Nayak, YRC student volunteers graced the occasion. The event was conducted amid Covid pandemic following strict protocol and event was inaugurated by lighting the lamp. A total of 33 volunteers from the Institute donated blood and made this event successful.



## IMMUNE MAHABHARAT

5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

The post Graduates of Department of Periodontology performed a skit on "Immune Mahabharat" on 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> BDS, Final year BDS, Interns, staff and other department Post Graduates. The idea of performing the skit on the particular topic was to have an Innovative method of teaching and learning. The skit was performed under the guidance of staff of Periodontology.



## PROSTHODONTIST DAY 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2021

The Department of Prosthodontics and Crown and Bridge at our Institute celebrated Prosthodontist day on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021. Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Principal Maratha Mandal's NGHIDS & RC Belagavi was the Chief Guest for the Inaugural function. Dr. Preethi Kusugal, Professor, Dept of Prosthodontics and Crown and Bridge spoke on the importance and roles played by a Prosthodontist. The day was celebrated by organizing various events like Quiz Competition, Poster making, teeth arrangement and soap carving for the undergraduate students and Interns of the college. Winners in each category were awarded with certificates.





## REPUBLIC DAY 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

Maratha Mandal's Nathajirao G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences and Research Center, Belagavi celebrated "Republic Day" on 26<sup>th</sup> of January 2021 at the college premises. The programme was graced by the Chief Guest Dr. Ranganath Nayak, Prof. & Head Department of OMFS, Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Vice Principal Dr. Viraj Patil, Staff (teaching and non teaching) and students of the Institute.



The programme constituted of hoisting of the National Flag by the chief guest followed by speeches given by students Miss. Sahana Katti and Mr. Yash Bhide. The chief guest for the occasion addressed the gathering. The programme was hosted by Bhavya Kasu and Beenish Sayed interns of our college. Breakfast was arranged after the event.



## ORIENTATION PROGRAMME AND BRIDGE COURSE 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

Orientation programme for 1<sup>st</sup> BDS for the Academic year 2020-2021 was conducted on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021. Principal Dr Ramakant Nayak delivered the Introductory remarks. This was followed by 3 days "Bridge Course" which was organized from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. The bridge course was comprised of various educative topics delivered by In-house teachers. The lectures help the fresher's to get acquainted to the new environment and for better understanding of the course.





## ANTI RAGGING SENSITIZATION PROGRAM

1<sup>st</sup> February, 2021

The Anti Ragging committee conducted sensitization program for the 1<sup>st</sup> BDS students of the academic year 2020-21. The students were counselled to prevent the menace of ragging and to maintain a healthy interpersonal relation among students in the college campus. Apart from this program all the students were given to fill their anti ragging affidavit form

and to submit to the office. This program was conducted by the Anti ragging committee members in presence of the Principal of the Institute. The parents of the newly joined students were also present for the program.





## COVID 19 VACCINATION 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2021



Covid 19 Vaccination drive was held in our Institute on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> February 2021 by MOHFW, Govt of Karnataka. The students, Both UG's, PG's, Interns, Staff Teaching and non teaching were the beneficiaries of the vaccination drive.



## SESREC GREENERY PROGRAMME 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

As a part of SESREC (Social Entrepreneurship, Swachhata and Rural Engagement Council) greenery program on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021, team of III<sup>rd</sup> B.D.S. students and interns carried out plantation of 50 plants in the college campus. The program was guided by Dr. Sheetal Kubasad and Dr. Shruthi Virupaxi. The areas in the campus which require plantation were identified and based on the available space, different medicinal and flowering plants were planted.





## PARENT TEACHER MEETING

18<sup>th</sup> February, 2021



The Parent Teacher meeting was conducted on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 in the college Auditorium by the Mentor's Committee. Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Vice Principal Dr. Viraj Patil, Academic Incharge Dr. Uppin, Administrative and Mentors Incharge Dr. Pushpa P, Dr. Sachin Shivanaikar, NAAC Incharge Dr. Vijayalakshmi Kotrashetti along with the Parents of the various batches of UG and PG attended the meeting. The meetings are held regularly in our Institute.



## ORIENTATION PROGRAM OF THE WOMEN'S GRIEVANCE CELL

22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021

An orientation program based on gender sensitization and gender inequality and its effect was presented by Dr. Sheetal Sanikop, Incharge of women's grievance cell to the 1st BDS students (girls and boys) on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021. Other members of the committee Dr. Aarati Nayak, Dr. Madhu Pujar, Dr. Vijayalakshmi Kotrashetti, Dr. Preeti Ashtagi were also part of the programme.





## INAUGURATION OF COVID TESTING CENTRE AT BELAGAVI

### 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021

A State of the Art, Covid Testing Centre at Central Research Laboratory, Maratha Mandal's Nathajirao G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences Belagavi, was inaugurated on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021, at the hands of Deputy Commissioner Shri. M. G. Hiremath as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour Shri. Sangram Patil, Governor Rotary International District 3170, accompanied by Rtn. Ann. Smt. Utkarsha Sangram Patil and the President of Maratha Mandal, Smt. Rajshree Nagaraju Halgekar. The Inauguration commenced with the garlanding of the bust of Late Shri. N. G. Halgekar. Rtn. Dr. K. M. Keluskar, President of Rotary Club of Belgaum, RI District 3170 welcomed all the guests, Rtn. Shri. Sharad Pai spoke about the Vision behind this 'need of the hour' project. The donors of this project were felicitated by Rtn. Ann. Utkarsha Patil and Smt. Rajshree Nagaraju. Dr. Shashikant Kulgod, Director Lakeview Hospital, Belagavi explained that the sample collection would be done at Lakeview Goaves Hospital and Home Collection facilities would also be provided.

Dr. Kishor Bhat, Chief Microbiologist of our Institute and Director Central Research Laboratory expressed that the Truenat machine for Covid testing gives highly accurate and fast results and can also be used for detection of other diseases like Tuberculosis, Chikungunya and 20 other diseases. The reports would be available on the same day he said. Dr. Diwan, Director CRL informed that this Covid Testing Centre has been approved by NABL (National Accreditation Board for Laboratories) and ICMR (Indian Council of Medical Research) too. The DC Shri. M. G. Hiremath expressed that this will be a unique centre and urged the citizens of Belagavi to take advantage of this facility. DG Rtn. Shri. Sangram Patil said that Rotary is always involved in community projects and the motto of Rotary being the joy of giving. This centre will serve the society at large. Smt. Rajshree Nagaraju expressed that Maratha Mandal is at the fore front of service to the community. Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Principal MMDC delivered the vote of thanks. Dr. Asawari Sant and Dr. Shilpa Kodkany were the MCs. This Centre is a joint venture of our Institute and Lakeview Goaves Hospital, supported by Rotary Club of Belgaum District 3170.



## NATIONAL ORAL PATHOLOGIST DAY

### 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

"National Oral Pathologist Day" was celebrated by Department of Oral Pathology to Commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Dr. H. M. Dholakia. The program was organised for undergraduate and post graduate students of the Institute. As a part of celebration, debate and essay competitions were organised for the students.

*Topic for Essay : Dentistry before and after Covid 19 Pandemic      Topic for debate : Is NEET really NEAT*

The program started with the Inaugural ceremony at the Institute auditorium, followed by lighting of the lamp by Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Vice Principal Dr. Viraj Patil, HOD of Oral Pathology Dr. Vijayalakshmi Kotrashetti and Dr. Deepa Katgalkar. A tribute was paid to legendary teacher Dr. H. M. Dholakia by introducing to the gathering. Both UG & PG students participated enthusiastically in essay and debate competition. All the participants were given participation certificate, whereas 3 winners were selected and awarded in each event. Certificates were distributed by Dr. Viraj Patil, Vice Principal and Dr. V. M. Uppin, Academic Incharge. The concluding remarks were delivered by Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak.



## SHARING IS CARING

### 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

The NSS wing of the college along with the YRC wing of the college conducted the SHARING IS CARING event at KIAAN (A home for children with HIV/AIDS on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. Our Institute donates household items likes

bathing soap, detergents, toilet cleaner, floor cleaners etc every year. Smt. Rajshree Nagaraju, President, Maratha Mandal Group of Institutions also donated Sanitary Napkins. The event was organized by Dr. Zarir Ruttonji, Dr. Viraj Patil, Dr. Sheetal Kubasad (NSS unit Incharge) and Dr. Bhakti Halapanavar (YRC wing Incharge).





## SYMPOSIUM CUM WORKSHOP ON EXPERIMENTAL RESEARCH AND ALTERNATIVE (NSWERA2021) 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

National level Symposium was held at MMNGH Institute of Dental Sciences & Research Centre, Belagavi on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2021. The topic of symposium cum workshop was "Experimental Research and alternatives (NSWERA21)" under the banner of Indian Pharmacological Society. The symposium cum workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Shiv Prakash, President of Indian Pharmacological Society. The symposium was organised under the banner of Indian Pharmacological Society. The inaugural function dignitaries Dr. Shiv Prakash, Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Dr. Sunil Jalalpore, Dr. Vishnu Kangralkar and Dr. Chandrashekhar were honoured. Guest speakers were invited from Pharmaceutical Industry, Professors from Medical College, Researchers from R & D, Faculty from Veterinary Sciences, Pharmacy faculty, and belong to Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Chandigarh, Bangalore, Belagavi. The symposium cum workshop was attended by the post graduate students and faculty of pharmacy professionals. The participants were demonstrated the handling and care of animals during the visit to our animal house. The two days symposium cum work was concluded at the valedictory function Chaired by Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Principal, MMNGH Institute of Dental Sciences & Research Centre, Belagavi. The Chairpersons for symposium cum workshop were Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Prof Dr. Prakash V Diwan and Dr. Kishore Bhat, Secretary was Dr. PVSN Malleshwar Rao.





## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

8<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

On the occasion of International Women's Day 2021, Womens Grievance Cell of our Institute organised a guest lecture by Advocate Mrs. Sarita Patil on the topic 'Legal Rights of Women'. The program commenced with the Lighting of the Lamp by the Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak along with the guest speaker and other dignitaries.

The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Sheetal Sanikop, Incharge of Women's Grievance Cell. Principal addressed gathering which was followed by introduction of the guest speaker by the Vice Principal Dr. Preeti Kusugal. The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Preeti Ashtagi. Handmade bouquet of flowers and a gift was presented to the guest speaker whereas handmade flowers were given to other dignitaries. Interns Miss. Nimisha and Mr. Samved hosted the programme. Student members of the women's grievance cell namely Nimisha, Aparna, Rucha, Suprita, Pradeepta, Renu, Sahana k, Shreya, Mehal, Vedika also contributed to the success of the program. The undergraduate students and the interns attended the guest lecture. After the guest lecture, sanitary napkins were donated by the Maratha Mandal Society to the non-teaching women staff of the Institute. High tea was arranged for the non-teaching staff at the end of the program.





## WORLD ORAL HEALTH DAY

20<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

The Department of Public Health Dentistry celebrated World Oral Health Day on 20/03/2021. The Staff and Interns visited Maratha Mandals English Medium School on 20/03/2021 and Maratha Mandals Central High School, Belagavi on 22/03/2021. Health talk was given related to their oral health issues, caries, maintaining oral hygiene. Tooth Brushing technique was demonstrated. Campaign posters, video and fact sheets were used to raise awareness regarding oral health in school children as well as in the college premises. Awareness regarding 'BE PROUD OF YOUR MOUTH' was done with the help of handmade campaign frames. Instructions were also given related to maintenance of hand hygiene, preventive measures for COVID19 and importance of vaccination.





## WORLD HEALTH DAY

### 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021



On the account of World Health Day, as per directions received from the Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bengaluru our Institution conducted Walkathon in the college premises on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 with slogan 'FIT RGUHS FIT INDIA'. Staff members of Department of Public Health Dentistry, Sports committee members, II BDS students and Interns participated in the event actively following covid protocol.



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