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HURRAY - WE GOT ACCREDITED

We are pleased to inform you all that our college has been Accredited with a CGPA of 3.05 on a seven-point scale at 'A' Grade by NAAC. The standing committee constituted to examine the peer reports and declare the accreditation results has conveyed the same on 29/11/24 and stated this grade is valid for 5 years from 30/5/2024.



LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Dr. Ramakant Nayak, our beloved Principal sir was awarded the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award at the 31st National Conference of the Indian Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathologists (IAOMP) in Kodaikanal. With over two decades of dedication to the Institution, Dr. Nayak was recognized for his significant contributions to the IAOMP and the field of oral health, particularly in pathology education, not just in Karnataka but across India. The award, presented in front of dental professionals, honors Dr. Nayak's visionary leadership and lasting impact on dental education. His mentorship has been crucial in guiding many young



dental professionals towards success. At our college, his efforts to modernize dental education and integrate new advancements into the curriculum have been widely appreciated. Dr. Ramakant Nayak's influence within IAOMP has also been noteworthy, especially in fostering collaboration and professional growth. His establishment of a state-of-the-art research lab at the institute has further elevated its reputation. "I am honored to receive this recognition, which reflects the collaborative efforts of my colleagues, students, and the institution I lead," said Dr. Nayak. "I remain committed to advancing the field of oral and maxillofacial pathology in India." This recognition not only celebrates Dr. Nayak's personal achievements but also marks a proud moment for our college and the dental community in Karnataka. His legacy continues to inspire future generations in the field.

SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN

The NSS wing of the institution celebrated Swachh Bharat Abhiyan on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri Jayanti on 2nd October, 2024 in the college auditorium. The event began with the dignitaries evoking the blessings of Mahatma Gandhi ji and Lal Bahadur Shastri ji. Miss. Sneha Suryavanshi (Intern) spoke of the contributions done by the two great leaders towards India. This year, as a mark of respect sanitation workers were felicitated who were instrumental in keeping the surroundings clean and are the true flag bearers of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Six sanitation workers namely, Mr. Richard Marihal, Mr. Avinash Bhosale, Mr. Sandep K., Mr. Avinash K, Mr. Praveen and Mr. Rama Kolkar were felicitated by Dr. Ramakant Nayak, Principal, Dr. Preethi Kusugal, Vice Principal, Dr. Pushpa P, Administrative Incharge, Dr. V. Uppin Academic Incharge, Dr. Vijayalakshmi K., IQAC cell Incharge and Dr. Zarir Ruttonji, NSS wing Incharge. Staff and Students were present for the event. Dr. Zarir Ruttonji, NSS wing Incharge and his team co-ordinated the event.



CDE - COMPREHENSIVE DENTAL CARE

The Department of Public Health Dentistry of Marath Mandal's Nathajirao G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences & Research Centre, Belagavi along with CDE committee organised CDE program on 25 October, 2024 at auditorium of MMNGHIDS & RC on the topic "Comprehensive Dental Care". The program started with lightening of lamp by Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak, the guest speaker Dr Roopali Shankeshwari and Professor & HOD of the Department of Public Health Dentistry Dr Anand M Hiremath. The welcome address and introduction of speaker given by Dr. Deepali Gurav. The Continuing Dental Education (CDE) program on Comprehensive Dental Care conducted to enhance the knowledge and skills of dental professionals in providing holistic and effective dental services. The program aimed to foster a deeper understanding of comprehensive patient care, emphasizing diagnosis, treatment planning, and patient management. The session concluded with vote of thanks by Dr. Rekha S. V.



PHARMA RATAN AWARD

Dr Prakash V Diwan, Research Director, Central Research Laboratory of our Institution has been honoured with the prestigious "Pharma Ratan Award". The award honours the individuals in recognition of outstanding guidance and to the profession of pharmacy. The award ceremony was organised at the International Pharmacology Conference held at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi on 30th November 2024. The prestigious award was presented by Dr Vinod Kumar Bind, Member Lok Sabha Uttar Pradesh, Member, Committee on Health and Family Welfare Government of India in the presence of Dr N S Dhalla, Order of Canada (Highest honour in Canada) Dr. Shiv Prakash, President Indian Pharmacological Society. Sunil Yadav, President and Dr Har Lokesh N Yadav Secretary of the Pharmacist Federation of India. Dr. Prakash V Diwan, is a blend of technocrat, scientist and academician and renowned pharmacologist of India. He has contributed significantly in the areas of drug discovery, Novel drug delivery systems (Nanotechnology, oral delivery of Insulin, developed dendrimer technology for deadly diseases) Dr. Prakash V Diwan is a Fellow of Royal Society of Chemistry, FRSC (London) since (2007) and has been awarded as "Chartered Scientist" by the Royal Society of Chemistry (London). Dr Diwan is a first Pharmacologist who has been honoured by the Royal Society of London in 2007. Prakash V Diwan served the Indian Institute of Chemical Technology, Hyderabad established the Pharmacology Department and superannuated as Head of the Department, Director grade Scientist, Hyderabad and Founder Director, National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Hyderabad. He served as Former President, Indian Pharmacological society. Member, Academic Planning and Development Committee, NIPER, Hyderabad, Former Consultant at IICT, Hyderabad., Former Consultant, Indian Pharmacopeia Commission, Government of India, Scientific advisor to Pharmaceutical Industries. Dr Prakash Diwan believes, from class room to career oriented professional approach and practice the corporate culture



ANTI-RAGGING SENSITIZATION PROGRAM

The Anti ragging committee of our college conducted an Anti-ragging sensitization program on 12/11/2024 in the college auditorium. All the students from Ist BDS to IVth BDS, Interns and all the MDS students from Ist MDS-3rd MDS were present for the program. Dr Shiva Sharan Shetty, member, Dental Council of India from Mangalore addressed the gathering. Dr Shiva Sharan Shetty counselled all the students against the menace of ragging and to maintain a healthy interpersonal relation among students in the college campus and explained about the various measures taken by the Dental council of India to safe guard and protect the students from ragging. During this program he was felicitated by the college. All the Anti ragging committee members, Principal, Vice principal, Academic incharge, Administrative incharge and HOD of all Departments were present for the program.



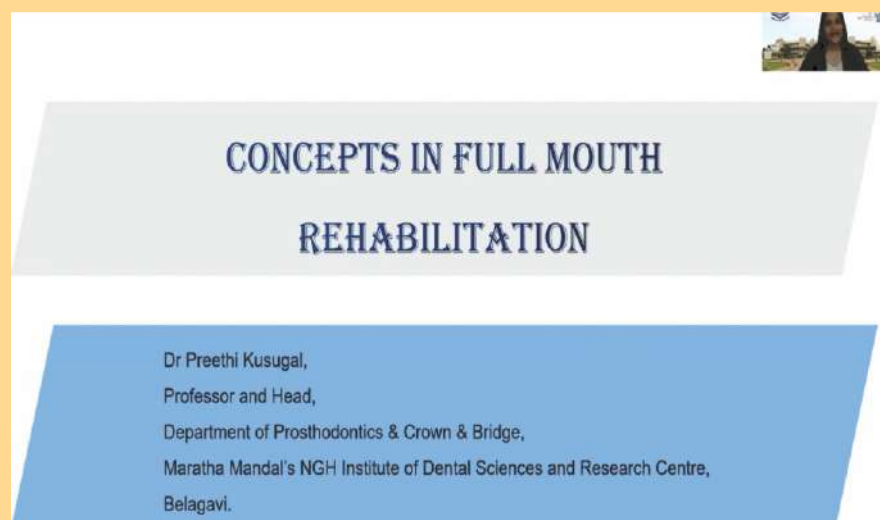
UG ORIENTATION BRIDGE COURSE 2024-25

An informative and welcoming orientation programme for the 1st BDS Batch of 2024-25 was conducted on 14th October 2024, at 9:30 am in the college auditorium. The event commenced with introductory remarks by the Principal, Dr. Ramakant Nayak, who extended a warm welcome to the incoming students and highlighted the significance of the academic journey ahead. Dr. Veerendra Uppin, the Academic Incharge, took the opportunity to provide an overview of the BDS course structure, helping the students familiarize themselves with the academic expectations and curriculum. Following this, Dr. Pushpa P, the Administrative Incharge, gave a comprehensive presentation on the institute's rules and regulations, ensuring the fresher's were well-versed with the expectations for discipline and conduct. Dr. Sujata Byahatti, a member of the Examination Committee, elaborated on the examination pattern, giving students a clear understanding of the assessment process throughout their course. Dr. Sadanand Kulkarni then introduced the council members to the fresh batch, emphasizing the support system available to the students during their academic journey. Dr. Tushar Bandiwadekar addressed the crucial issue of anti-ragging measures, explaining the institution's commitment to maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for all students. Dr. Vijaylakshmi Kotrashetti provided valuable insights into the institution's accreditation process and the importance of NAAC orientation in ensuring quality education. One of the highlights of the session was a motivational speech by Dr. Aishwarya Kammar, distinguished alumni of the institution, who shared her enriching experiences as both an undergraduate and postgraduate student, offering words of encouragement to the new batch. The orientation concluded with the fresher's introducing themselves to their peers, sharing their personal interests and enthusiasm for pursuing a career in dentistry. This was followed by a guided campus tour conducted by the mentors, allowing the students to familiarize themselves with the campus facilities and infrastructure. The orientation programme successfully set the tone for a promising academic year, fostering a sense of belonging and excitement among the first-year BDS students as they embark on their journey in the field of dentistry.



"CONCEPTS IN FULL MOUTH REHABILITATION"

Dr Preethi Kusugal, presented a guest lecture titled "Concepts in Full Mouth Rehabilitation" in the state level virtual masterclass "An Insightful review-2024 on 4th and 5th October for postgraduates. Dr Preeti Astagi, Professor, was the moderator for the masterclass organized by Department of Prosthodontics & Crown & Bridge, SDM College of Dental Sciences and Hospital in association with Indian Prosthodontist Society, Karnataka state branch.



GRADUATION DAY 2024

The Graduation Day for the BDS students of Batch 2019 was held on 22th October 2024 at Maratha Mandal's Nathajirao G. Halgekar Institute of Dental Sciences and Research Centre, Belagavi. Prof. C. M. Thyagaraja, Vice Chancellor, Rani Chanamma University, Belagavi was the Chief Guest for the function. Vice President, Shri Nagesh Rao S. Zangruche



Maratha Mandal Group of Institutions, was the Guest of Honour. The function began with welcome address of Principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak and he spoke about the remarkable achievements of the college over the years, laying emphasis on serving mankind, being committed to patients in restoring each smile with empathy and maintaining work life balance and staying connected to the institute as a proud alumnus. He gave the mantra of compassion, empathy, good mentorship and collaboration for success in life. President Dr. Rajshree Nagaraju had conveyed her congratulations to the graduating students and in her message she emphasized on ethically being honest with patients, being sincere with work and stressed on independence of lady students at work and on personal front. Dr. Praveena, Head of the Department, Oral Medicine and Radiology presented the annual report on the various academic, sports and extracurricular activities of the institute. Dr. Pushpa P, administrative In-charge rendered the Hippocratic Oath for the graduating batch.

Prof. C.M. Thyagaraja's invigorating address to the gathering had important advises to the graduating dentists like upholding the ethics of profession, laying emphasis on lifelong learning, and pursuing professional life in a fruitful manner to achieve higher goals. Dr. Vivek, proposed the vote of thanks and expressed gratitude towards all the dignitaries, teaching, non-teaching staff members and students who actively contributed towards the success of the event. A total of 38 Graduates received their graduating certificates from Prof. C.M. Thyagaraja and Shri Nagesh Rao S. Zangruche. Miss. Prerana Sadanand Desai 2023 batch, Dr. Santosh Kalyani Badiger 2020, Dr. Poornima Karigar 2019 were felicitated for securing highest marks in I BDS, Dr. Santosh Kalyani Badiger, Dr. Neilvishwas S. Dhanawade and Dr. Nidhi Nitin Metri and Dr. Vishwaja Ganpat Naik were felicitated for securing highest marks in the subject of Prosthodontics Crown and Bridge in IV BDS. The "Academic topper" was awarded to Dr. Ruchira R. Deshpande and Dr. Neilvishwas S. Dhanawade for securing the highest aggregate total for all 4 years of BDS. Dr. Neilvishwas S. Dhanawade, Dr. Akshata Kiran Thorat and Dr. Sahana Santosh Kumar Katti were awarded the

"Best Outgoing Student" award for their excellent academic performance along with earnest participation in various extracurricular activities of the campus.

The board of directors and managing committee members of Maratha Mandal group, parents and family members of graduating students, teaching, non-teaching staff members and students were present for the function. The formal function was followed by an informal

function wherein the graduating students and their parents spoke about their experiences during the last 5 years. Dr. Prachi Katti and Dr V. Sai Chandini Srinivas hosted the event. Dr Sadanand Kulkarni coordinated the event.

ORTHODONTIC DAY 2024

National Orthodontist Day was celebrated on 5th October to commemorate the establishment of the Indian orthodontic society (IOS) in the year 1965. The first week of October is usually celebrated as National Orthodontic Week; the department of Orthodontics celebrated the event by organizing a departmental celebration, orthodontic awareness E-poster competition and patient education program. The faculty members and post graduate students of the department celebrated National orthodontist day with great enthusiasm. To mark the occasion a cake cutting program was organized in the presence of the principal Dr. Ramakant Nayak. Patient education and awareness program was conducted on 7th of October to educate about the orthodontic health and treatment needs. Oral hygiene instructions were given and the patients were educated and motivated regarding the importance of the orthodontic treatment. An E-poster competition was held by the department on 8th October, a total of 8 Interns participated in the orthodontic awareness E poster competition, out of which 3 best posters were selected and awarded whereas the remaining participants were given certificates for their active participation. Dr.Sneha Suryawanshi secured the 1st place, Dr.Teleshvi Chougala, secured the 2nd place, Dr.Manasi Dixit secured the 3rd place and participation certificates were given to Dr.Pavan karadi ,Dr.Vaishnavi, Dr.Anavalmath, Dr.Yash Gode, Dr.Tejaswini Punaji, Dr.Aditya Patil and Dr.Vijay Irkal in the competition. As a part of the orthodontic week celebration an oral screening camp was organized on 22nd October by the department in collaboration with Department of Community dentistry to identify dental and skeletal malocclusion among students of Maratha Mandal English medium school, Belagavi. The post graduates gave talk on oral health awareness and proper oral hygiene practice. A total number of 500 students were screened and their dental problems were identified, they were further referred to the dental college for treatment.



PROSTHETIC MODULE OF THE BASIC IMPLANTOLOGY COURSE

The Prosthetic Module of the Basic Implantology Course was conducted from October 8th to 10th 2024, with 19 post-graduate students from the Department of Prosthodontics and Periodontology. The three-day program was led by Dr.Santosh Dixit, a distinguished clinician from Pune, who provided comprehensive lectures on Stage II surgery, various prosthetic implant components, and different impression techniques. On the first day, topics included treatment planning, optimizing healing abutments, and exploring various prosthetic options. Day two centred on implant occlusion, complications associated with implants, and featured hands-on demonstrations of Stage II surgery and implant impressions. On the final day, participants made implant impressions on patients under the mentor's supervision. The course concluded with the presentation of completion certificates to all the delegates. This event was organized by Dr.Ramakant Nayak (Principal), Dr. Ajaykumar Nayak (In-Charge of the Implant Department), and Dr. Sandeep Katti (Professor).



BLS

In response to the significant knowledge gap regarding the recognition of key signs and risk factors associated with serious medical conditions, both among medical students and the general public, we initiated a comprehensive Basic Life Support (BLS) training program. Launched in 2016 on World Heart Day, this initiative has been successfully ongoing ever since. BLS encompasses the essential care provided by first responders, healthcare professionals, and public safety personnel to individuals experiencing cardiac arrest, respiratory distress, or airway obstruction. The training equips participants with critical skills in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), the use of Automated External Defibrillators (AED), and techniques to clear obstructed airways in individuals of all ages. The program spans two days. On Day 1, participants took a pre-workshop test to evaluate their baseline knowledge. This was followed by lectures and hands-on demonstrations designed to enhance understanding and practical skills. Throughout the sessions, real-life scenarios were discussed to contextualize BLS techniques and reinforce learning. Each participant was trained individually, ensuring mastery of BLS procedures across a range of emergency situations. After the training, a post-workshop assessment was conducted, comprising multiple-choice questions (MCQ), Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE), and Objective Structured Clinical Practical Examination (OSCP) to evaluate competency. To ensure a hands-on learning experience, each participant is provided with a CPR mask and trained on interactive manikins and AEDs. All aspects of BLS were covered in detail. Upon successful completion of the program, participants were awarded a certification and a placard acknowledging their BLS training. Recently, 19 postgraduate students and 3 staff members from our college successfully completed the BLS training, further contributing to the spread of life-saving knowledge within our community.



CONGRATULATIONS DR. EESHITA JAMNANI

Dr Eeshita Jamnani, 3rd year post graduate student from the Department of Prosthodontics and Crown and Bridge and Implantology was awarded Implant scholarship award by Osstem Implant India Pvt Ltd which was held at Le Meridien, New Delhi on 22nd September 2024.

Benefits of the award included

"Rs.1 lakh scholarship paid by

Osstem as academic fees

"Free entry in Osstem Meet, New Delhi

"Travel expenses for Osstem meet and

"The plaque of scholarship which was presented to Dr Eeshita during the Osstem meet.

The award was given based on the merit marks of

final BDS and first MDS secured by the student. 5 toppers were selected from all over India for this award.

The osstem meet included preconference courses and knowledge feast lectures on NextGen implant dentistry.



ORIENTATION LECTURE BELGAUM CEDEES SATELLITE CENTRE

The orientation lecture of Belgaum Centre for Excellence in Dental Entrance Examinations {CEDEES} satellite coaching for NEET-MDS 2026 was held on 5th November 2024 at our institution. CEDEES coaching Institution is a well know coaching centre all over India which provides a platform for students to crack the NEET MDS examination. The satellite centre at our institution was started in the year 2017 and since then has trained more the 500 students to appear for NEET MDS. The course is mentored by Dr Raison Thomas, Director CEDEES Davangere. A total of 48 students attended the orientation lecture. The classes are held on every weekend. Students from other institutions also enroll for the course.



ICT WORKSHOP ON 8 & 9 NOVEMBER, 2024

Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology in association with CDE cell conducted a Workshop on Information and communication technology on 8th and 9th November 2024 for the faculty members of the Institute. A total of 51 faculty members attended the workshop over two days. The resource person for the workshop was Dr. D G Kulkarni, Director, Maratha Mandal Engineering College, Belagavi, who is an experienced and eminent speaker. The workshop commenced by welcoming the participants, followed by brief introduction of speaker by Dr. Viplavi Patil. He is trained in effectively integrating use of ICT in teaching and learning process. He spoke on making a short educational video and a hands on demonstration was given for the participants, where participants made their own educational video and learnt to edit and save the same.



BALMELAWA 2024

On Nov 14 2024, the Department of Pediatric Dentistry organized a special Children's Day celebration aimed at promoting oral health awareness and providing an enjoyable experience for the children in our care. The event featured fun activities such as "In and Out," "Frog Race," and a basic dental checkup session. The goal was to foster a positive association with dental visits while engaging children in light-hearted physical activities. 50 children from Government primary School, Sangameshwar Nagar participated in the event.

Objectives / Purpose

"To celebrate Children's Day with an emphasis on dental health and hygiene.

"To engage children in fun, educational activities that foster a positive attitude towards dental care.

"To provide basic dental checkups, ensuring early detection and prevention of oral health issues.

"To enhance community engagement and strengthen the relationship between the Department of Pediatric Dentistry and local families.

Key Activities and Highlights

a. Games and Activities

In and Out Game : Children participated in the "In and Out" game, a fun, physically engaging activity designed to improve coordination and teamwork. The game involved children moving in and out of designated areas while following instructions. This activity was designed not only for fun but also to build listening skills and focus — key components of a child's development, which can also translate into their ability to follow oral care instructions.

Frog Race : The "Frog Race" was a lively and energetic game where children competed by hopping like frogs to a finish line. This race promoted physical fitness and was a crowd favorite, helping children unwind while offering a break from more structured activities.

b. Dental Checkup

Oral Health Screenings : As part of the event, children underwent basic dental checkups conducted by pediatric dentists from our department. The screenings included assessments for cavities, gum health, and overall oral hygiene.

Oral Health Education : Alongside the checkups, the pediatric dentistry team provided brief educational sessions for both parents and children on the importance of brushing, flossing, and regular dental visits. The focus was on creating awareness about the long-term benefits of good oral hygiene and instilling these habits early.

Gifts and prizes were distributed by our Principal sir and Staff.

Lunch was organized by the department and the children were safely escorted to their school with their teachers.



REMINISCING WILHELM CONRAD ROENTGEN

The Department of Oral Medicine and Radiology celebrated the roentgen day on 8th November 2024. The World Radiology Day also called as Roentgen day is celebrated worldwide on this day to mark the anniversary of discovery of X-radiation by Wilhelm Roentgen in 1895. There was a poster presentation organized for third year BDS and final year

BDS (odd batch) students on the theme "Radiographers: Seeing the Unseen". This theme highlights radiographer's importance in healthcare and their role in diagnosing and treating medical issues. All the participants were awarded with participation certificate. The program concluded with high tea.



SESREC

The waste management program was celebrated on 27th November 2024 in the auditorium from 12:30 to 2:30 pm at our institution. First-year BDS students participated in the program. Students presented a one-minute reel on the "Importance of waste management." This competition was judged by Dr. Zarir Ruttonji and Dr. Vipalvi Chavan Patil. This program was coordinated by Dr. Chitra Melavanki and Dr. Prachi Katti, in charge of the Waste Management Cell of SESREC. This Reel competition's first prize winners were Sneha Kamble and Janhavi Sasane; second prize winners were Gautami Hiremath and Esha Raman V; and third prize winners were Latika Dodamani and Poorvi. This program was attended by Dr. Preeti Kusugal, Vice Principal; Dr. Praveena Tantradi, SESREC cell in charge; 1st-year BDS students; and other staff members of the institution.



DIGNITARIES VISITED

The following dignitaries visited in this quarter

1) Dr Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Member of the Karnataka Legislative Council and Dr D Thimmaiah, Member of Legislative Council, Mysuru visited our institution on 13th December. The dignitaries were welcomed by Shri Nagaraju Yadav, Member of Legislative Council and Maratha Mandal Trust board member. They appreciated the infrastructure of the campus and the digital technologies adopted for the treatment procedures. They commended the facilities available at our CRL. Dignitaries also interacted with our students and witnessed the values of the Indian culture inculcated in them.



2) Shri Shivanand Siddaramgouda Patil, Honourable Minister for Textiles, Sugar and Agricultural Marketing, Government of Karnataka and a member of Karnataka Legislative Assembly representing Basavana Bagevadi visited our institution on 18th December. He applauded Dr Rajashree Nagaraju, President, Maratha Mandal for her systematic way of approaching tasks. He commended the research work carried out at our CRL especially the studies done on herbal plants and the medicinal garden of our institute.



EUROPE EXCURSION

Dr Divya Suresh, Post graduate student from the Department of Prosthodontics and Crown and Bridge and Implantology was selected for international presentation for her study in the field of basic research, titled "Biosynthesis and Osteogenic effect of cerium oxide nanoparticles extracted from Aloe Barbadensis miller when coated on titanium alloy - An invitro study" under the guidance of Dr Preethi Kusugal, Professor & Head, Department of Prosthodontics & Crown & Bridge. The Congress was organized by prestigious forum European Association for Osseointegration (EAO) at Milan, Italy from 24-26th October 2024.

They both were awarded participation and E-poster presentation certificates. The abstract has been included in the Clinical Oral Implants Research (COIR) supplement. The EAO congress is known for its presentations on cutting edge technologies in Implantology and caters opportunities to network with distinguished colleagues and speakers in the field of implant dentistry and related specialties from across the globe. Their trip was co-sponsored by the institute.



"CRIME PREVENTION MONTH"

To commemorate the above occasion the Department of Public Health Dentistry organized a programme on 31.12.2024 at our college. Mr. Santosh Dalavai, CPI, AMPC police station made our students and faculty aware about the cyber and online crimes. He further said that, the main aim of the event is to prevent crime and that the crime rates are increasing and taking new forms. Cybercrime, online betting, and gambling are the new challenges to the society.

He stressed on crimes like drug abuse and insisted on taking precautions during New Year celebrations. "Every year, "Crime Prevention Month" is celebrated during December in Karnataka. Dr Preethi Kusugal, Vice Principal, Dr Anand M Hiremath, Mr Pramod Jadhav, Dr. Chitra Melavanki and Dr. Keerthi Hiremath attended the event.



DIGNITY CUP - 2024

Intercollege Sports Event

The "Dignity Cup" which is the inter batch sports event was conducted from the 1st of December to the 5th of December 2024 at the college ground. Volleyball and Football tournament for boys and Throwball for the girls were held. The cup which has been a tradition since the last 3 years is organized collectively by the students committee and the sports committee of the college. The organizing committee members were

Sports Incharge : Dr. Sandeep Katti
 Intern : Aditya Sweeton
 Final years : Prasanna Hugar, Zeeshan Ahmad
 Third year : Ritesh Dhere, Aquina Gama, Dharshita. S

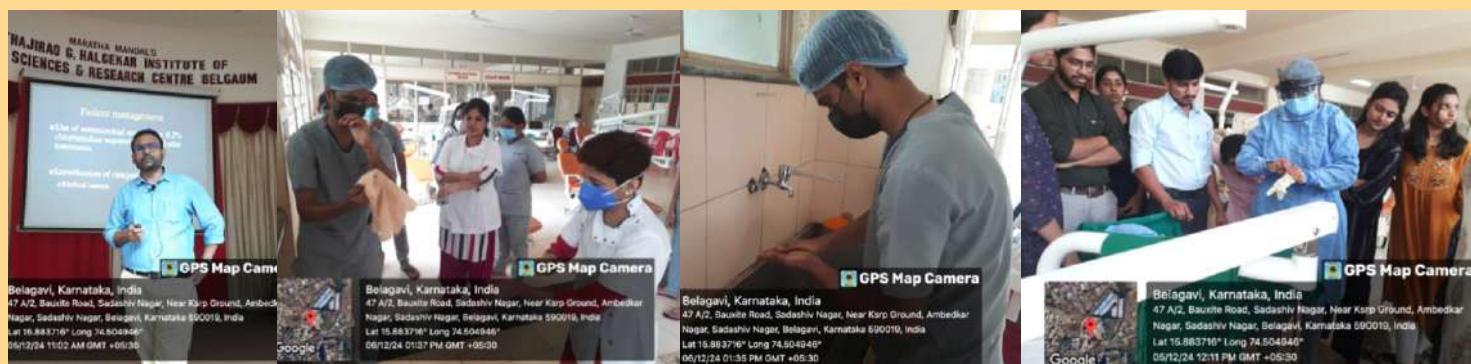
98 students took part in the event. Each batch played their matches on league basis and had the opportunity to play against every batch. The prize distribution was held on the 5th of December in the evening where Dr. Sandeep Katti, presented the awards to all the winners of the events. The prize winners were;

Throwball (Girls) - Interns
 Volleyball (Boys) - 2nd BDS
 Football (Boys) - Interns



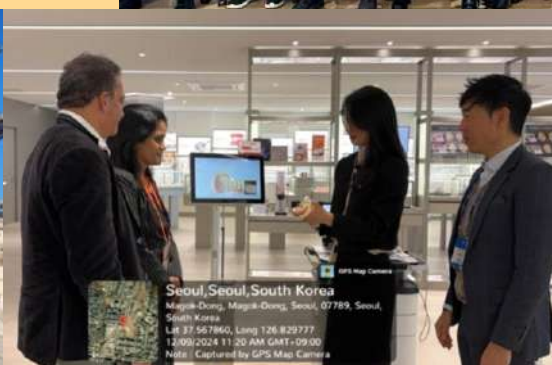
STERILIZATION AND DISINFECTION WORKSHOP

Sound dental sterilization practices in dentistry protect patients, dentists and the whole team. They prevent the growth of bacteria on instruments and surfaces throughout the dental practice. The standard sterilization and disinfection practices block cross contamination. Microorganisms in blood and saliva can carry bacteria and diseases like hepatitis, herpes, tuberculosis, staphylococcus and streptococcus. When proper dental sterilization procedures are not used, they can pass from one patient to another. Improper sterilization practices can make patients sick and they can create serious complications if you have any preexisting conditions. Good sterilization practices could actually save lives. To emphasize the importance of these practices the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery conducted two days hands on extensive workshop on sterilization and disinfection in dentistry on 05-12-2024 and 06-12-2024. A total of 30 III year BDS students and 21 postgraduate students participated in the workshop. The workshop was conducted just before their entry into clinical postings to emphasize the need and critical importance of sterilization and disinfection.



SEOUL EXCURSION

Dr Preethi Kusugal, Professor & Head and Dr Ajaykumar Nayak, Professor, Department of Prosthodontics & Crown & Bridge including Implantology attended Osstem meet on Digital Dentistry held in Seoul, South Korea from 7th to 10th December 2024. The visit included Osstem Implant Magok headquarters tour and meeting with the Chairman Dr In Ho Cho. The meeting with the dignitaries was convened to discuss future proposals of the company with our institution. Our staff also attended seminar titled "One guide" on guided implant surgery by Park Chang-Joo, Professor, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.



"PRAKRUTI PARIKSHAN"

On 14th December 2024, the NSS Wing of our institution organized the "Prakruti Parikshan" event to help students and faculty members to assess their life style, diet, and seasonal regime. The event is an initiative by Ministry of Ayush (Govt. of India) along with NCISM New Delhi. During the event students and staff members were asked to download the app PRAKRUTI on their respective mobiles. Dr Azizahmed Abrar, Professor and Head Department of Kaumarabhritya, KAHER, Shri BMK Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya Belagavi along with his team of undergraduate and post graduate students conducted the event. During the event the students, faculty members had to register on the app and take up a detailed survey in the app which would help them understand their body type. This survey will also help the individuals to modify their diet and lifestyle for a better and healthy life. Dr Zarir Ruttonji (NSS wing Incharge), Dr Ramya Pai and members of the NSS wing coordinated the event. Dr Rajshree Nagaraju, President Maratha Mandal Group of institution, Dr Ramakant Nayak, Principal and Dr Preethi Kusugal Vice Principal supported the event.



DETAILS OF CAMPS IN 2024 BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DENTISTRY

Sl no	Month/ no. of camps conducted	No. of camps conducted	No. of patients screened
1.	January	08	1,073
2.	February	09	2,193
3.	March	06	168
4.	April	06	142
5.	May	10	1,392
6.	June	04	363
7.	July	08	697
8.	August	04	331
9.	September	02	73
10.	October	05	440
11.	November	03	138
12.	December	03	647
Total		68	7,657



KUDOS! "NICE GOING" DR. SUJATA

1. For getting 1st Place in Essay Competition in category 3 A -Faculty (Teaching) on topic titled "Oral Medicine and Radiology specialist in research sector in the light of artificial intelligence" at 35th National Conference of IAOMR held on 22nd -24th Nov 2024 at Mangaluru. Dr Ramakant Nayak, Principal congratulated her for the same.
2. Securing 3rd Place at The Oral Pathology 360s Open Mic Faculty Contest conducted online on 21st Dec 2024.
3. For attending Self paced e-learning module primer on motivational interviewing and accomplishing 90.24% score. It was conducted by Centre for addiction Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, NIMHANS, Bangalore



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