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International Day Against Drug Abuse Celebrated at School of Symbiosis, Shiroda, Goa

The International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking event was held at the School of Symbiosis in Shiroda, Goa, on June Approximately 100 people participated, including students, teachers, and community members. Dignitaries such as Ms. Mugdha M. Shirodkar, Sarpanch of Shiroda VP; Mr. Sunial V. Naik, Deputy Sarpanch; Mr. M. M. Shirodkar, Panch of Shiroda Village Panchayat, Mr. Benjamin Rocha. Headmaster, School of Symbiosis; and PSI Bansal, Ponda Police emphasized the detrimental effects of drugs and urged students to stay away from them. CYDA, the School of Symbiosis, Shiroda Panchayat,



and Ponda Police also jointly organized a campaign to raise awareness in Shiroda Village about the risks associated with drugs, particularly tobacco and alcohol. The highlight of the day was a 10 km cycle rally

involving 70 students, teachers, and volunteers, which effectively spread awareness among villagers. The Village Sarpanch expressed wholehearted support for the campaign and praised the initiative taken by the School of Symbiosis and CYDA, supported by the Persistent Foundation.

Students took pride in actively participating in the campaign, both raising awareness and enjoying the companionship of cycling with their peers. The message "Say Yes to Life and No to Drugs" resonated strongly, leaving a lasting impact on both participants and the community, reinforcing the importance of a drug-free lifestyle in Shiroda Village.



Pune's 12th LGBTQIA+ Pride Walk: Embracing Diversity and Advancing Educational Equality





The 12th LGBTQIA+ Pride Walk in Pune, Maharashtra, was held on 2 June, 2024, and marked a pivotal moment in the city's journey towards inclusivity and equality. With the theme "LGBTQIA+ Inclusion at Educational Institutions," the event organized by YUTAK Charitable Trust and supported by numerous organizations and sponsors, aimed to advocate for inclusive education and equal opportunities irrespective of sexual orientation or gender identity. Starting from the historic Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj Garden, the march wound through key locales such as JM Road, R-Deccan, FC Road, and Shirole Road, drawing an impressive turnout of over 1150 participants and 50 dedicated volunteers from CYDA.

Notable dignitaries Dr. Renu Naidu and Mr. Protyush Borgohain, serving as Grand Marshals, lent their esteemed presence to the occasion. Their involvement underscored the ongoing efforts towards fostering a more inclusive society. The event also received robust support United Way Hyderabad along with other organizations including Humsafar Trust, Sweekar, CYDA, Runanubandha, Shankarrao Chavan Law College's Equal Opportunity Cell, MASUM, and Mukta Charitable Trust, as well as corporate sponsors like Kohler, Dorf Ketal, Emerson, and Icertis.

The Pride Walk's success not only celebrated diversity but also highlighted the community's collective commitment to advancing LGBTQIA+ rights and representation in educational settings and beyond.



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Enabling Futures: Shapar Primary School Hosts Girl Education and School Entrance Festival





On 28 June, 2024, Shapar Primary School in Rajkot hosted the Girl Education and School Entrance Festival, organized by the Gujarat Government to facilitate admissions for Kindergarten and first-grade students. The event saw participation from approximately 100 people, including dignitaries such as Mr. Santosh Rathod (Child Marriage Prohibition Officer), Mr. A. S. Vaghela (Social Security Officer), Ms. Payal Oza (CDPO), Mr. N. K. Patel (District Land Officer), Mr. Gunavantray Vaja (Principal, Sree Mulavaji College), Mr. Rohit Chauhan (Mahindra CIE HR Manager), along with the local Sarpanch, Panchayat Members, and SMC Members.

The key messages during the event emphasized the importance of children's health and hygiene as fundamental for their development and future contributions to society. As a result of the festival, Shapar Primary School received recognition from the school community and the Gram Panchayat, honouring CYDA and CIE India with certificates. The school also underwent significant improvements, including renovations and repairs to essential facilities such as drinking water, handwashing, toilets, and urinals through the efforts of the CYDA team. These enhancements were celebrated as crucial steps toward creating a conducive learning environment for all students.

Empowering Youth through Mobile Repairing: Transforming Futures in Nandurbar



On 24 June, 2024, under the Samruddha Kisan Project, an inauguration ceremony for the Mobile Repairing Course was held at Nandurbar. This is a significant initiative aimed at promoting entrepreneurship among youth. The event, attended by 40 participants, featured dignitaries such as Mr. Pankaj Patil, District Consultant from ASK Foundation, and Mr Ankush Khandare, Director of SBI-RSETI. Mr Khandare delivered an inspiring message emphasizing the importance skill development in today's competitive job market. He encouraged the students to view the mobile repairing training not only as a pathway to employment but also as a foundation for potential entrepreneurial



ventures, fostering financial independence and local economic growth.

Mr Patil highlighted the program's broader vision to empower youth through practical, skill-based education. He emphasized the transformative impact of such training on individual livelihoods and community development. The involvement of ASK Foundation,

SBI-RSETI, and CYDA underscored the collaborative effort to equip 35 young individuals with essential skills for self-employment and small business opportunities in mobile repair.

Participants gained hands-on experience and developed entrepreneurial aspirations. The community's positive response reflects recognition of the program's role in nurturing local talent and enhancing economic prospects in Nandurbar.



By empowering these students with marketable skills, the initiative aimed to reduce unemployment and promote self-reliance, thereby contributing to a more resilient and prosperous community.

Breaking Barriers: Celebrating Women's Success in Non-Traditional Sectors





In June 2024, a felicitation ceremony was held for 20 women now trained and being placed for employment in various non-traditional sectors. Representatives from prominent companies such as Indian Oil, Bharat Petroleum, Hindustan Petroleum, and Altruist Pvt Ltd welcomed the new women's team into their folds. The dignitaries shared invaluable insights and encouraged the participants to excel in their chosen fields.

Through dedicated efforts, the event successfully enabled all 20 women to secure placements in non-traditional sectors. As a result, each woman now generates income ranging from Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 130,000/-, marking a significant step towards economic independence and empowerment. This event stands as a testament to the

transformative power of skill development in fostering women's empowerment and socio-economic progress. This transformation is due to the efforts of Deloitte & Bajaj Finserv and CYDA sincerely thanks them for their support.

Fostering Health: Community Engagement to Prevent Cholera Outbreaks in Bhosari





A Risk Communication and Community Engagement event was held at Dhawade Vasti, Bhosari, from 28 June to 3 July 2024. It aimed to address the high risk of cholera outbreaks in the area. With participation from 9785 individuals and support from organizations like UNICEF, Maharashtra, CYDA, and the PCMC Health Department, Bhosari, the event focused on raising awareness about cholera prevention through various activities.

Dignitaries Mr. Anand Ghodke and Ms. Devika Deshmukh, UNICEF Maharashtra, Mr. Pravin Jadhav, Executive Director, CYDA, and representatives from the Health Department emphasized the importance of proper sanitation, effective hygiene practices, and access to clean water in preventing cholera. Home visits, corner meetings, pamphlet distribution, and handwashing demonstrations were conducted to educate residents about cholera symptoms, treatments, and preventive measures.

The campaign's expected outcomes include a reduction in cholera cases, improved sanitation and hygiene practices, and increased access to clean water.



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