

13th October 2022

## Seminar on World Sight Day

Title : Guest lecture on Visual Impairment

Date : 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022

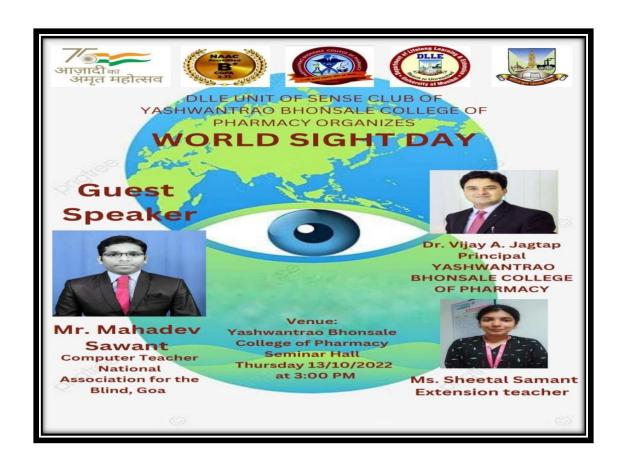
Venue : Yashwantrao Bhonsale College of Pharmacy, Sawantwadi

Targeted Audience: Second year and Final year B. Pharmacy students.

Organized by : DLLE

Event coordinator: Ms. Sheetal S. Samant & Ms. Rashmi Mahabal

Event advisor : Dr Vijay A Jagtap





# **Objectives:**

- To spread awareness among students about people with visual impairment.
- To share the knowledge about the equipments used by the visually impaired people.

### **About the Program:**

World Sight Day is on Thursday 13 October 2022 and we are focusing the world's attention on the importance of eye care. Uncorrected poor vision is the world's most widespread disability. Globally, 2.2 billion people have a near or distance vision impairment. In at least 1 billion of these cases, vision impairment could have been prevented. In low- and middle-income countries, the situation is compounded by the lack of access to basic eye care services and the scarcity of eye specialists.

As per our DLLE curriculum we conducted a seminar on World Sight Day. Speaking on the occasion, our honorable Principal Dr. Vijay A. Jagtap shared some wise words about importance of vision and explained how much important safety of the eyes is throughout life, regular eye check-up, and examination by qualified persons. One should not neglect eye problems, he said.

Then, one of us gave a brief introduction of honorable chief guest and asked him to takeover the session. Through his presentation he demonstrated various equipments used by the visually impaired individuals such as white cane, smart cane he also showed various applications used for visually impaired individuals for reading. One application demonstrated by him used camera of the smartphone to identify the particular object in front of it. After pointing the camera towards that object the application would identify that object. The application could also identify the number of persons. He also explained the Braille system used by visually impaired individuals for reading. For reading there were various patterns or dots embossed on the paper according to the numbers or alphabets. He also showed embossed map of India.

He also conducted an activity where the volunteers were blindfolded and they were told to go and seat on their respective places where they were originally seated, the reason behind this was to showcase the importance of vision and how visually impaired individuals face challenges in day to day life. He also showed the talkback service available in the smartphone which greatly helps visually impaired individuals to operate smartphone very easily. He also emphasized that these individuals could also send messages and also can use various complex services available in the smartphone.

# **Details of participants:**

Number of participants: 63

### Glimpses of the event:



Lamp lightening by the auspicious hands of Hon'ble guest of speaker MahadevSawant and BabajiRaut Sir





Address by Hon.Dr.Vijay Jagtap sir

Felicitation of guest speaker by Hon. Principal of YBCP





**Demonstration of equipments** 



Activity carried out during the event



### **Interactions with the students**

### PO attained are:

- 1. Leadership skill
- 2. Planning abilities
- 3. Communication

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