

MAEER's

Saint Dnyaneshwar B.Ed. College, Alandi Devachi, Pune

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*** Electoral Literacy Club (ELC)***

(2022- 2023)

MAEER's SDBED has a special Electoral Literacy club with the primary objective of sensitizing the student community about democratic rights which includes casting votes in elections.

The aim of ELC is to provide the students with a platform to engage them in activities and hands on experience to sensitize them on their electoral rights and familiarize them with the electoral Process of registration of new voters, removal of names from lists, registration of deaths, change of constituency etc.

Objectives of Electoral Literacy Club:

- 1.To educate the targeted population about voter registration, electoral process & related matters.
- 2.To facilitate EVM & VVPAT familiarisation & education about the strength of EVM as well as the integrity of the electoral process using the EVM's.
- 3.To help the target audience to understand the value of their vote & exercise their rights to franchise in a confident, comfortable & ethical manner.
- 4.To harness the potential of ELC members for carrying the electoral literacy in communities.
- 5.To facilitate voter registration for its eligible members for carrying the electoral literacy in communities.
- 6.To develop a culture of electoral participation & maximise the informed & ethical voting.

We also conduct poster presentations, debates, mock parliaments, elocution, essay writing.... etc programs which create awareness regarding electoral procedures.

MAEER's SDBED Electoral Literacy Committee

The Electoral Literacy club has student co-ordinator & faculty member co-ordinator appointed by the Head of the Institution.

The executive committee include the Principal as the head of all clubs & committees followed by a convener usually an Assistant Professor from the college along with two student teachers.

Sr.No.	Year	Faculty Co-ordinator	Student Co-ordinator
1	2018-19	Asst.Prof.Angad Jawale	Ms.Meenakshi Sablika
2	2019-20	Asst.Prof.Angad Jawale	Ms.Astha Singh
3	2020-21	Asst.Prof.Angad Jawale	Ms.Anita Rao
4	2021-22	Asst.Prof.Angad Jawale	Mrs. Anjali Varma
5	2022-23	Asst.Prof.Angad Jawale	Mrs.Reenu Rahangdale

Faculty coordinator along with the Principal & student co-ordinator do their best & try to achieve the goals they have set. The Electoral Literacy club organizes various programmes throughout the year.

Innovative programmes and initiatives undertaken by the ELCs

MAEER's SDBED Electoral Literacy Club has worked meticulously for creating the awareness with respect to creating awareness in the community as well as working on notices/activities issued by the office of Chief Election Officer.

To aware the student teachers & community about electoral literacy we organize several activities like constitutional day, youth day, voter's awareness program, legal awareness program and voter's registration drive for adopting the values, rights, duties, and responsibilities of citizens.

Our college conducts the constitutional day on 26th November every year and give pledge to all students and staff members regarding spreading the awareness among the community.

The college conducts a special speech on the importance of the value of casting the vote and how it helps in protecting the constitutional obligations under the ELC every year.

The students were asked to spread the message of voting rights awareness in their nearby areas. The Election Commission of India launched a "Voters Helpline App" to educate, aware & solve queries of the citizens of the country regarding elections & voting patterns. The student teachers have downloaded the voting helpline app & inspired others in their neighbourhood to do download the app & get aware about electoral literacy.

***Socially relevant projects/initiatives taken by College in electoral related issues ***

MAEER's SDBED has taken various initiatives through the Electoral Literacy Club in order to conduct mass drives for creating awareness among the community related to Electoral Rights & Duties.

The YouTube video links related to electoral literacy were shared to all the students of B.Ed.. The posters related to Electoral literacy were displayed on the notice board & shared with the students via social media.

The students were further asked to share these details in their other social groups to aware the community about electoral literacy.

We have celebrated:

- 1, National youth day: 14th Jan.
- 2.National voters' day – 25th Jan.
- 3.Constitution Day: 26th Nov.
- 4.Voter Registration Campaign Programme:

MAEER's, SDBED has conducted a special program – Voter Registration campaign

- 1.Enrollment of new elector/voter
- 2.Linking of Aadhar No. with voter ID

All students who have completed 18years from the MAEER's MIT campus & the students & nearby community was informed about the campaign & asked to register themselves as a voter.

The website link was provided to the student teachers along with the procedure. Student teachers helped the students from the camps & community to register them as a new voter.

Efforts by ELCs as well as efforts by the College to institutionalize mechanisms to register eligible students as voters

MAEER's SDBED college is an undergraduate college. Students who have completed their graduation are eligible to take admission for B.Ed. course. Their average age is 21+. Almost all our students are registered as voters.

As per the instructions of Chief Election Office & Savitribai Phule Pune University we always update our student teachers through notices, WhatsApp & by providing YouTube links. We always tell our students to update their voter ID's regarding change in constituencies, change in address & new guidelines & procedures.