

RIT Vivek Vahini

Introduction

Vivek Vahini

It has become a fashion to criticize youth about their career-centeredness and lack of interest in the governance of the society. The experience also shows that youth always wants to discuss about many things but there is lack of well managed platform, ANS thought that there should be a platform for college going students to express themselves on matters concerning their future life.

Vivek Vahini is a loosely knit organization of students and teachers who are interested in changing themselves and the society. To impress the idea of Vivek Vahini, Dr. Dabholkar visited a large number of colleges covering 20 districts ranging from Nandurbar to Sindhudurga of Konkan. He delivered more than 70 lectures in this tour. On an average 200 to 700 students attended his lectures. After the lecture students and college lecturers were invited for discussion to establish VV. ANS was not worried about the name but insisted that students and teachers should come together and form a forum for discussion undertaking activities. Vivek Vahini can be established even with 5-10 members. There is no membership fee and it is not intended to collect funds for any of its activities. The forum will be established with due permission from college authorities.

The motto of Vivek Vahini can be summed up in following words:

**Self-development is in our hands;
Rights are necessary, but responsibility should take precedence.**

Vivek Vahini is not like any other students union, where student community fights for its demands. The platform is for self-development. It is expected that at least once in a week a meeting will be held to set objectives and plan and implement activities.

To start with, members can begin with discussion as an activity. The topics for discussion can be any of the following for the weekly meeting:

1. Scientific Attitude
2. Eradication of Castes
3. Gender Equality
4. Environment Protection
5. De-addiction
6. Science & Astrology
7. Religion & Morality

To assist in self-development, following topics can be discussed.

1. Why continuous self-development and for whom?
2. Positive Attitude
3. Acceptance of Changes
4. Mission & Goals
5. Communication Skills
6. Time Management
7. Stress Control
8. Leadership Qualities

At an individual level, the student members can start reading a thought provoking book, make notes and write an independent article on the material studied.

It is also necessary to keep good health since good health is the key to self-development. Simple physical exercise like fast walking, jogging, etc., should be a daily routine for upcoming students. This too can be one of the activities of VivekVahini.

A member should be able to communicate his thoughts properly. Communicating a particular thought or idea to a person innocent of it can achieve this. This should not be allowed to turn into an argument. If one is able to convert the other person to your ideology or set the process of change that in itself is an achievement. If the person is able to point out the flaws in your thought process, more study and thinking is required.

The processes of self-development and establishing link between thought and action go hand in hand. There are many ways of doing it. For example one can either learn at least one additional word to increase vocabulary or make an effort to read serious articles or even simply assist in doing routine household tasks.

Members of VivekVahini can even think of undertaking an activity, which may be useful to the development of society without increasing any financial expenditure. Considering the exploitation of poor and innocent people by unscrupulous elements like Babas and Matajis by displaying 'miracles', the student member can learn these tricks and expose them.

Collective efforts by ANS activists and Dr.Dabholkar have started bearing fruits. A large number of colleges in Maharashtra have come forward to establish VV platform. Students have come together on their own to participate in the activities leading to self-development as well as well-being of the society. All concerned has accepted the concept. A seed has been sown. ANS activists have a greater responsibility to communicate and propagate this concept. Let us hope students of next generation do not have any inhibition in rejecting the age-old practices and rituals, which are harmful to the society. Let us set ourselves time-bound targets and work together confidently towards fulfilling them. Let us be inspired by a sense of mission and rededicate ourselves to the pursuit and attainment of excellence.

Vivek Vahini (RIT)

In RIT also we found that there is lack of platform for discuss the things. So on 19 January 2016 we held meeting and finalized to start VivekVahini in RIT. We have discussed about many things such as day in a week, place for meeting, time, target mob, etc. And we finalized them as follows,

Day:-Thursday

Place:-Lawn in front of CSE department. (Because discussion should be in open air in free atmosphere)

Time:-6pm to 7pm. (free timing for most of the students)

In this way Vivek Vahini has been started in RIT with help of Prof. Sandip Patil and Prof.S.M.Sawant (Dean Student Development).

RIT VIVEKVAHINI- SUBJECTS OF DISCUSSION- JULY 2018 TO APRIL 2019

Sr. No.	Date	Subject	Guest/Speaker
1	5 Jul 18	Short film session	-
2	12 Jul 18	वारी समजून घेताना	Mr. Eknath Patil & Mr. Sanjay Bansode
3	19 Jul 18	Pseudo Feminism	Mrs. Vrushali Aafale
4	26 Jul 18	Youth & Politics	Mr. Deepak Chatap
5	2 Aug 18	Passion & Profession	-
6	16 Aug 18	Why?	Dr. Nitin Shinde
7	23 Aug 18	Freedom of expression	-
8	30 Aug 18	कुटुंब	-
9	6 Sep 18	Fear	-
10	13 Sep 18	<i>Pavitrata Vahi, Parampara Nayi</i>	-
11	21 Sep 18	Shades of Love	Dr. Rahul More
12	27 Sep 18	Human Values	Dr. Pramod Durga
13	4 Oct 18	शिक्षा की शिक्षा	Mr. Namdev Mali
14	11 Oct 18	Article 377 & 497	Mrs. Trupti Thorat
15	18 Oct 18	#Metoo	Kalyani Mangave
16	3 Jan 19	Consumer it's your turn	-
17	10 Jan 19	विवेक म्हणजे काय?	Mr. Krushnath Swati
18	17 Jan 19	Should I express my sexual desires?	Prof. Sanjay Bnasode
19	24 Jan 19	देशभक्ती	Dr. Pramod Durga
20	31 Jan 19	Let's make it candid	-
21	14 Feb 19	Before judging the people	-
22	21 Feb 19	Addiction Decoded	-
23	7 March 19	Article 370	Dr. Pramod Durga
24	14 March 19	Media: The fourth pillar of democracy	Prof. Sanjay Thorat
25	28 March 19	बेरोजगारी : समस्या की उणीव	-
26	4 April 19	Election: it's time for selection	Mr. Kuldeep Ambekar
27	11 April 19	A short Film session Male Reproductive System	Dr. Pradip Patil

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1	13 Jul 17	Short Film Session	---
2	20 Jul 17	He Kadhi Sampnar...	Bhai Sampatrao Pawar
3	27 Jul 17	Snake: Informative session	Prof. Sanjay Bansode
4	15 Aug 17	Think and Write Activity	--
5	17 Aug 17	Ajadi	---
6	24 Aug 17	Pseudo feminism	---
7	31 Aug 17	Right to Privacy	Adv. Archana Thorat
8	07 Sep 17	Love Marriage Vs. Arrange Marriage	--
9	14 Sep 17	Right to Write	Prof. Sanjay Bansode
10	28 Sep 17	Rohingya	--
11	05 Oct 17	Leftist Vs. Rightist	--
12	12 Oct 17	Bullet Train	--
13	26 Oct 17	Online Binline	Vinayak Hogade
14	4 Jan 18	Short Film Session	-
15	18 Jan 18	Judiciary System	-
16	1 Feb 18	Artificial Intelligence	Dr. N.V. Dharwadkar
17	15 Feb 18	शिवाजी कोण होता ?	Dr. Pramod Durga
18	1 Mar 18	Am I learning really?	-
19	8 Mar 18	<i>Mulagi Shikali, Pragati Zali</i>	Mrs. Anupama Burande, Mr. Anant Burande
20	15 Mar 18	Let's reveal the secrets	Dr. Manoj Walke
21	22 Mar 18	Bhagatsingh	Rajvaibhav Kamble
22	29 Mar 18	Short Film Session	-
23	5 Apr 18	साहित्य आणि समाज	Mr. Arun Kakade
24	12 Apr 18	Fear of death	-

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Sr. No.	Date	Subject	Guest/Speaker
1	21 Jan 16	Introduction to VivekVahini	VivekVahini Team
2	28 Jan 16	Indian Constitution	Dr. Pramod Durga
3	4 Feb 16	जात पंचायत	Prof. Satish Chougale
4	11 Feb 16	Love	Sanjay Bansode
5	18 Feb 16	Who was Shivaji?	-
6	25 Feb 16	J. N. U.	Dr. Nitin Shinde
7	10 Feb 16	Women Empowerment	Dr. Jidnya Shaha
8	17 Mar 16	Scientific temperament & youth	Krushnat Kore
9	34 Mar 16	Nation, Patriotism, Bhagatsingh	Dr. Pramod Durga
10	31 Mar 16	Ego	Dr. Rahul More
11	7 Apr 16	Our Rights	Adv. Amit Shinde
12	12 Apr 16	Dr. B. R. Ambedkar	Dr. Vishwas Saynakar
13	14 Apr 16	Jionet	----
14	21 Apr 16	दुष्काळ	Bhai Sampatrao Pawar
15	7 Jul 16	Research in Arts	Dr. Pramod Durga
16	14 Jul 16	Poems	Prof. Eknath Patil
17	21 Jul 16	Ghosts	Dr. Nitin Shinde
18	28 Jul 16	कोपर्डी	Prof. Anuradha Gaikwad
19	4 Aug 16	Sairat	Sanjay Bansode
20	11 Aug 16	Failure	Prof. Nishikant Bohra
21	15 Aug 16	Think & Write Activity	Team VivekVahini
22	25 Aug 16	Ganeshotsav	---
23	1 Sep 16	Addiction	---
24	12 Jan 17	Demonetization	---
25	19 Jan 17	Equal Citizenship Law	---
26	26 Jan 17	Democracy	Com. Dhanaji Gurav
27	2 Feb 17	My Dress, My Choice	Dr. Pramod Durga
28	16 Feb 17	वेगळा विदर्भ	---

29	23 Feb 17	अयोध्येचा प्रश्न	---
30	2 Mar 17	Indian Education System	Prof. Prakash Jadhav
31	9 Mar 17	Pseudo Nationalism	Mr. Deepak Chavan
32	16 Mar 17	Marxism	Com. Dhanaji Gurav
33	23 Mar 17	Indian Culture Vs Western Culture	---
34	6 Apr 17	Prostitution	---
35	13 Apr 17	Ambedkar	Dr. Pramod Durga
36	20 Apr 17	Environment or Development	Adv. Amit Shinde

RIT VIVEKVAHINI - SPECIAL DISCUSSION SESSIONS

Sr. No.	Date	Subject	Guest/Speaker
1	10 Sep 18	Youth & Politics	Hon. Jayant Patil
2	20 Aug 18	Youth & Media	Nikhil Wagale
3	3 Aug 17	Hiroshima & Nagasaki	Prof. Rajan Padwal
4	27 Apr 17	LGBTI	Bindumadhav Khire
5	8 Feb 17	Reservation	Datta Balsaraf
6	20 Oct 16	Freedom of Expression	Shripal Sabnis
7	5 Apr 16	Scientific Temperament	Dr. Hamid Dabholkar

RIT VIVEKVAHINI - WORKSHOP & ACTIVITIES

- Explore Trekking & Sky Observation Camp 2017, 2018, 2019
- Visit to Kranti Smruti Van, Balwadi
- Workshop on Miracle Presentation
- Scientific temperament workshop
- Street play workshop
- Gender Sensitization Workshop
- Street play on Constitution – *Sapdala Re Sapdala (9 plays)*
- District Level Youth Camp
- Think & Write activity on Independence Day
- Say No to Crackers
- Prayas 1 (cleaning activity @ Bahe)
- Paani Foundation 2018
- Maharashtra Vivekvahini
- Booltalk activities
- Team Antarang Activities (Eg. Stress, Love)