



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE

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IQAC- Action Taken Report – 2025-26

The theme for the year 2025-26 was “Nurturing a Sustainable Future”. The theme “**Nurturing a Sustainable Future**” for the academic year 2025–26 reflects the institution’s commitment to integrating sustainability into all dimensions of education, research, and community engagement. It emphasizes the need to develop environmentally conscious, socially responsible individuals who can contribute meaningfully to global and local challenges. Through quality-driven initiatives, innovative practices, and inclusive approaches, the institution aims to promote sustainable development while maintaining academic excellence. St. Xavier’s College, Mumbai, implemented the NEP 2020 in the year 2023-24, incorporating multiple exit points, interdisciplinary courses, elective choices, and an emphasis on Indian Knowledge Systems. The current academic year, 2025-26, was the third year of UG NEP 2020. A proud moment for St. Xavier’s College, Mumbai as we secured the AIR 2025 is 89th with a score of 55.16, improving from last year’s 52.60. The IQAC meetings were held in hybrid mode via Zoom on 12 July 2025, 11 October 2025, 24 January 2026, and 17 April 2026.

New Academic Programs

College introduced four new programs for the year 2025-26 as follows:

1. BA – Economics Major and Stats Minor (Fixed Combinations) – Self Finance– 60 Seats.
2. BSc – Data Science and AI – Self Finance 40 seats.
3. BSc – Biotechnology and Computational Biology- Self Finance 30 seats
4. MA – Transformational Leadership – with Teach for India- 60 seats

Admissions

- FY and PG 1 admissions were held and their sessions will be at par with the regular SY, TY and PG-2
- Results of all courses of UG and PG - 2024-25 were displayed
- Admission data for all courses of UG and PG as of 12th July 2025 were displayed
- PG-1 orientation was on 14th June 2025
- FY orientations were held on 16th June 2025 and Induction sessions from 17th to 20th June 2025 for the different combinations.

Capability Building for Teaching, Non-teaching Staff, and Students: Workshops/Webinars/Seminar

Teaching Faculty

- Session on Conflict Management by Adv. Kishu Daswani on 8th November 2025.
- Session on Reimagining Accreditation by Prof. Ramya B. on 10th November 2025.
- New Teachers Seminar on examination reforms conducted by Prof. Hrishikesh Samant and Dr. Binoj Kutty on 11th November 2025.
- Session by Dr. Ajay Bhatnagar on “Lessons Learned after 50 years in Academic Research and Commercial R&D” 29th January.



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Non-teaching faculty

Session on Cyber Awareness by Mr. Tejas More on 11th November 2025 for the Non-Teaching Staff.

Students

- Graduation day was held on 28th June 2025 for the 2024-25 batch in two sessions. The chief guests were Mr. Roger Pereira (Batch of 1955) and Shri Venugopal Reddy, IAS officer - Additional Chief Secretary (DHTE), Govt. of Maharashtra for the afternoon session. Prof. Aniruddha Pandit, Vice Chancellor, ICT, Mumbai was the Chief guest for the evening session.
- The Late Lloyd Menezes Award for Excellence in Science Innovation, which will be awarded on 31st July on the College Day.
- Alumni Dinner was held on 20th December 2025.
- Xynergy 5th December 2025-'Unleashing Vision: Forging Connections'
- PhD Coursework- 7 credit for Biology and AIHCA students was conducted between November/December 2025
- Session on Knowledge Issues in the world today- Dr. Victor Gorelykh, 26th February 2026.
- National Science Day Celebration- GCC course -Photo exhibition by the students- 28th February. 45 students completed the course.
- Commencement ceremony for the 2025-26 graduating batch was held on 27th and 28th March 2026.
- The ECC committee organised various sessions for the students

Update on Examination and OBE:

- a. CO mapping for all odd semester courses
- b. ERP integration for CIA1, CIA 2 and ESE
- c. Question paper setting on ERP
- d. On Screen Marking of CIA 1, Some CIA 2 and End semester
- e. Training and demonstration sessions for faculty to use ERP for question paper setting and OSM
- f. Question wise marks entry using excel, generated based on question paper and upload on ERP.
- g. Department wise meeting for explaining the process
- h. Guidelines for Evaluation

CAS Promotions

Interviews for the following faculty under CAS was conducted during the year and the papers are being processed.

- Dr. Rajdeo Singh - Dept. of Botany, Ms. Radhika Rani- Dept. of Sociology (AL-10 to AL-11)



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- Dr. Aparna Shetye, Dr. Pampi Chakraborty - Dept. of Microbiology, Dr. Maya Murdeshwar and Dr. Bhaskar Saha- Dept of Life Science and Biochemistry (AL-11 to AL-12).
- Dr. Vijaya Lobo- Dept. of Botany, Dr. Leena Joshi – Dept of Physics (AL-12 to AL-13A)

Research

- Number of faculty who completed PhD – 6.
- Seed money for 2025-26 was granted to 4 faculty members after they defended their proposals: 2- Life Science and Biochemistry. 2- Department of Botany.

Activities/Initiatives/Updates

- Education World award for the Best Autonomous private college in India for the 6th time consecutively for the year 2024.
- Principal Dr. Rajendra Shinde retired on 31st May 2025, Prof.Dr.. Karuna Gokarn took over as the I/C Principal from 1st June 2025.
- As per the policy of rotation of HoDs - 12 Departments had new HoDs from 1st June 2025 for a period of four years
- Yoga committee: International Day of Yoga 2025 -Organised by Extracurricular Committee and Xavier's Yoga Circle on Saturday, June 21, 2025, Yoga & Relaxation session for all faculty members- Friday, 3rd October 2025. Events were organised for students also.
- Satellite Communication - 10th and 11th November
- Viksit Maharashtra 2047, 28th and 29th November
- IMG – JanFest conducted on 25th and 26th January 2026
- JHEASA Conference 2026 – was held at St. Xavier's College, Mumbai – 26th to 28th January 2026
- VIVIDHA on theme-“Studying Culture Through Science” by AIHCA – 28th -29th January, 2026
- Parent Teacher Meeting held on January 31st 2026
- Biowaves, International Symposium by Department of Life Science and Biochemistry- 14th February.

Academic Audits and submissions:

- The Administrative Audit for the years 2022-2023 & 2023-2024 was conducted on 23rd August 2025 and the Academic Audit was conducted on 26th August 2025. Prof. Sunil Mantri (Chairman of the external committee), Dr. Asha Mathew, Dr. Gomati Jatin and Ms. Bina Hemnani were members of the peer team.
- AQAR 2024-25 presented and passed through IQAC on 24th January 2026.
- NIRF – Details of 2024-25 being uploaded on the NIRF portal on 7th March 2026.
- Our college secured the 89th Rank with 55.16 score at the NIRF for the year 2023-24.



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Online Questionnaire:

- An online teaching questionnaire was administered for UG and PG students (odd and even semesters). The analysis was shared with individual teachers to help them understand their strengths and weaknesses
- Online form for course end surveys were shared with students to get feedback about courses.

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