



Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 12th July 2025

A meeting of IQAC was held in the Board Room on 12th July 2025 at 2.00 p.m.

Agenda

1. Passing the minutes of the previous meeting
2. Action taken report
3. Updates
4. Plans ahead
5. Any other matter

Attendees

The members of the Committee present were:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Karuna Gokarn, I/C Principal
2. Prof. Dr. Priya Sundarrajan, Director
3. Dr. (Fr.) Arul J. Bosco, S.J., Management Representative
4. Prof. (Dr.) Mala Pandurang, Academician
5. Prof. Dr. Krutika Desai, Academician
6. Ms. Alpana Palkhiwale, Vice-Principal (Arts)
7. Mr. Marazban Kotwal, Vice-Principal, Science
8. Dr. (Ms.) Sangeeta Shetty, Faculty Representative
9. Ms. Saima Khan, Dy. Controller of Exams
10. Dr. (Ms.) Abhilasha Jain, Faculty Representative
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16. Dr. (Ms.) Shiney Peter, Faculty Representative
17. Ms. Soy Maria, Student Representative

Members not in attendance

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2. Prof. (Dr.) Vilas Gaikar, Academician
3. Dr. Sanjay Parab, Vice-Principal, Commerce
4. Dr. Bobby Mathew, Vice-Principal, Academics
5. Ms. Shaheen Mistri, Teach for India
6. Dr. (Ms.) Aparna Kulkarni, Faculty Representative
7. Mr. Peter D'Monte, Registrar

- The first meeting of the IQAC for the new academic year was held on 12th July 2025, at 2.00 p.m.
- The Principal welcomed all the members for this meeting.



Approval of minutes held on 8th April 2025.

- The Minutes of the meeting were read and discussed.
A Resolution to pass the minutes of the meeting was proposed by Dr. Mala Pandurang and seconded by Dr. Binoj Kutty.

Action Taken Report : 9th April 2025 to 11th July 2025

- 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.
- New IQAC team formed from 2025 onwards
- As per the policy of rotation of HoDs - 12 Departments had new HoDs from 1st June 2025 for a period of four years
- College reopened on 9th June 2025. NEP for FY, SY, TY , PG-1 and PG-2 continues.
- FY and PG 1 admissions were held and their sessions will be at par with the regular SY, TY and PG-2
- College Started 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
- 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.
- Graduation day was held on 28th June 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.
- TAQ feedback was distributed to faculty on 30 April 2025.

Updates:

- Dr Sam Taraporewala, XRCVC conducted an important session on emergency preparedness drills for persons with visual impairment as a part of our Orientation and Mobility training- 15.05.2025.
- The College signed an MOU with Harmony Organics Pvt Ltd.
- The Xavier's Entrance Test (XET) was conducted in the month of May 2025 for the self-financed courses.
- The new teachers induction programme was held on 12th June 2025.



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- The OBE Committee conducted Orientation Programmes on Question Paper Setting on 18th June and 5th July 2025.
- The International Yoga Day was celebrated in the College by the ECC Committee and the Xavier's Yoga Circle.

Plans Ahead:

- The Research Proposals for the Seed Money for 2025-2026 will be announced
- Data collection AQAR 2024-2025 is in progress. The sub-committees have been formed.
- The scrutiny for CAS is being done and the interviews for the same will be conducted soon.
- The OBE will be conducting faculty workshops for question paper setting and OSM on ERP.
- The Academic Audit will be conducted on 20th August 2025
- The data collection for AQAR 2024-25 is in process. The subcommittees of the Criteria's have been formed and the departments have been asked to submit the information at the earliest.

Any other matter discussed:

- As per the UGC Notification dated 3rd April 2023, all Autonomous Colleges need to appoint two Professors as external members on the IQAC. A report has to be prepared, which has to be approved by the Professors and uploaded on the website of the College.
- Students Exit under NEP: About five students from MA have made an exit from the PG Course. They have been awarded a P.G. Diploma Certificate by the University of Mumbai. We have also received applications from some UG students. The University of Mumbai will be issuing the certificate to them. The credits are on the ABC Portal.
- The 4th year will be implemented for all the courses under NEP in the next academic year. A survey will be conducted next week of the students who wish to continue for the 4th year. The number of students for each course and the fees will be decided after we get an idea about the total number of students.
- The next meeting will be in October 2025.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the members of the IQAC Committee.

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IQAC COMMITTEE MEETING : 12th JULY 2025 : 2.00 P.M.

| SR. NO. | NAME OF THE HEAD/PROF.-IN-CHARGE | DEPARTMENT | SIGNATURE |
|---------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | PROF. (DR.) KARUNA GOKARN | I/C PRINCIPAL | KRB 12/7/25 |
| 2 | PROF. (DR.) PRIYA SUNDARRAJAN | DIRECTOR | Priya 12/7/25 |
| 3 | DR. (FR.) KEITH D'SOUZA, S.J. | MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 4 | DR. (FR.) ARUL J. BOSCO, S.J. | MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE | Arul |
| 5 | PROF. (DR.) MALA PANDURANG | ACADEMICIAN | online |
| 6 | PROF. (DR.) VILAS GAIKAR | ACADEMICIAN | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 7 | DR. KRUTIKA DESAI | ACADEMICIAN | online |
| 8 | MS. SHAHEEN MISTRI | TEACH FOR INDIA | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 9 | DR BOBBY P MATHEW | VICE-PRINCIPAL (ACADEMICS) | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 10 | MS. ALPANA PALKHIWALE | VICE-PRINCIPAL (ARTS) | Alp 12/07/25 |
| 11 | MR. MARAZBAN KOTWAL | VICE-PRINCIPAL (SC) | M Kotwal |
| 12 | DR. SANJAY PARAB | VICE-PRINCIPAL (COMMERCE) | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 13 | MS. SAIMA KHAN | DY. CONTROLLER OF EXAMS | Saima 12/7/25 |
| 14 | MS PIYALI UNNIKISHNAN | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Piyali 12/7/25 |
| 15 | DR SANGEETA SHETTY | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Sangeeta 12/07/25 |
| 16 | DR. ASHOK BINGI | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Ashok 12-7-2025 |
| 17 | MS. SONI GEORGE | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Soni 12/7/2025 |
| 18 | DR. ABHILASHA JAIN | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Abhilasha 12/07/2025 |
| 19 | DR. SHINEY PETER | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Shiney Peter 12/07/2025 |
| 20 | DR BINOJ KUTTY | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Binoj 12/7/2025 |
| 21 | DR JOTIRAM GAIKWAD | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | Jotiram 12/07/25 |
| 22 | DR. APARNA KULKARNI | FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 23 | MR. PETER D'MONTE | REGISTRAR | LEAVE OF ABSENCE |
| 24 | MS. SOY MARIA | STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE | Maria |



Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 11th October 2025

A meeting of **IQAC** was held in the Board Room on Saturday, 11th October 2025 at 2.00 p.m.
Venue: Board Room, St. Xavier's College.

Agenda

1. Passing the minutes of the previous meeting
2. Action taken report
3. Updates
4. Plans ahead
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Attendees

The members of the Committee present were:

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22. Ms. Soy Maria, Student Representative

Members not in attendance

1. Dr. Krutika Desai, Academician
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- The meeting of the IQAC was held on 11th October 2025, at 2.00 p.m.
- The Principal welcomed all the members for this meeting.



Approval of minutes held on 12th July 2025.

- The Minutes of the meeting were read and discussed.
A Resolution to pass the minutes of the meeting was proposed by Dr. Sangeeta Shetty and seconded by Dr. Jotiram Gaikwad.

Action Taken Report: 13th July 2025 to 10th October 2025

1. Our college has secured the 89th Rank with 55.16 score at the NIRF for the year 2023-24.
2. Research proposals for Seed Money 2025-2026: The last date for submission of the proposals was 30th September 2025. The deadline has been extended. 3 proposals have been received, which will be reviewed in the Even Semester.
3. 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
4. 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.
The Exit Meeting was held on 19th September 2025. The experts gave their feedback and suggestions. The departments have taken note of the suggestions and they will be implemented accordingly.
A Resolution for the same was proposed by Dr. Aparna Kulkarni & seconded by Dr. Sanjay Parab.
5. CAS update: the CAS interviews were conducted on 17th September 2025, for 5 candidates. 6 candidates have applied for CAS promotion and have submitted their files for checking. Their files will be forwarded to the University of Mumbai for further process.
6. The AQAR process of collection of data has been completed. The AQAR team is working on the individual criteria.
7. The Ph.D. Course-Work: There are 14 mandatory credits of which our students have completed 7 credits. The second module for the Sciences will be conducted in November-December 2025. An instrumentation and Bioinformatics workshop will be organised for science students in the month of November/December. The AICHA department will be conducting a workshop on Numismatic



Updates for the period 13th July 2025 to 10th October 2025:

1. Youth festival: 70 students participated. There were 36 events. 5 prizes for the final round have been won by our students. Students who won the first prize in the Quiz Competition have been selected for the State Level competition. Thanks to the Principal & the ECC Committee.
2. **MOUs signed:**
 - a. ROSS Life Science Ltd. - Zoology Dept On Job training and internships.
 - b. Association with Bisleri for plastic collection -**Bisleri's "Bottles for Change" Programme -A CSR Initiative.**

"To inculcate civic sense among students, teaching & non-teaching staff and educate them on responsible disposal of plastics for recycling from the campus thus achieving zero plastic waste to landfill."
3. Malhar 2025 theme was 'The World Within'. There were some famous personalities who were invited for the Malhar Conclave. They gave their insights and stories sparked meaningful dialogue and left a lasting impact on our students.
4. The Department of Accounting and Finance organized an event on 'Banking 101: Demystifying India's Backbone' on 2nd August 2025.
5. Dr. Padma Desai Memorial Lecture, organized by the Department of Economics, was held on 20th August 2025. Dr. Vinay Sahasrabudde delivered a lecture on Strengthening India's cultural economy for Viksit Bharat".
6. The following programs were conducted as IQAC initiative for the faculty:
 - a) Respecting Boundaries in an Academic Space: The POCSO and POSH Act (For All faculty members, Office staff) conducted on 24th July 2025 & 6th August 2025, respectively.
 - b) Bonding session for all faculty was organized on 3rd October 2025
 - c) Yoga and Relaxation Session (For All faculty members) organized on 3rd October 2025.
 - d) The department of Psychology in association with IQAC conducted a session on 'Reconnect, Reflect & Recharge a well-being workshop for the faculty on 9th September 2025.
7. The ECC conducted 72 activities for students in the Odd Semester 2025.
8. Green Initiatives: E-waste collection drive – 28th July to 31st July 2025. The Kuube Smart Bench was inaugurated on 15th September 2025 by **Consul General of Hungary Mr. Ferenc Jari, former MP Mr. Rahul Shewale, Mr. Ray Martins of Routes Worldwide and our Rector Dr. Fr. Keith D'Souza.**
9. Green Club of St. Xavier's College and Dot Com club, Jai Hind College conducted an e-waste collection drive. About 21 kilos of e-waste was collected
10. More than 100 students participated to clean the beach at Dadar.
11. Infrastructure upgradation: the sports facilities at the Fell Gymkhana were upgraded. Newly installed Hydraulic Basketball Court was inaugurated on 11th September 2025.



12. National Centre for Science Communicators (NCSC) in association with St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai organised the Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Memorial Lecture, delivered by Dr. Sanjay Deshmukh, former Vice-Chancellor, University of Mumbai.
13. Student Achievements:
 - a. Ms. Anamitra Goswami, department of Life Science & Biochemistry successfully qualified the UGC-CSIR NET exam conducted by the NTA, securing an All-India Rank (AIR) of 16.
 - b. Fulbright scholarship at DIRS – **Ms. Rachel Sondgeroth** (Columbia University) began research on faith-based community mobilization in Mumbai (Sept 7, 2025), research guide: Dr. Radha Kumar.
14. Global recognition – Dr. Sam Taraporevala and Mr. Ketan Kothari were selected for **Diversability's Global D-30 Impact List**, which honours 30 outstanding disabled leaders worldwide.
15. Design patent achievement by Mr. Kartik Adake, Department of Zoology for **“Electrocoagulation Cum Waste Biomaterial Filtration Machine”**.

Policies passed:

- **Examination Policy:** under NEP the examination rules are the same. Two new credit courses have been included. It has been passed by the Academic Council. The evaluation norms have been changed. Gracing norms and the grade points are the same. The Examination Policy was proposed by Mr. Marazban Kotwal and seconded by Dr. Shiney Peter.
- **Sit-in Policy:** To strengthen teaching quality, the Academic Board has recommended a new policy introducing randomised classroom sit-ins for all faculty members by the VPs/IQAC Director/Senior Faculty. These unannounced classroom observations will provide objective and comprehensive feedback on teaching methods and classroom engagement—going beyond scheduled reviews like TAQs.

Plans Ahead:

1. IQAC initiative:
 - a. Faculty Development Program on 8th November – Prof. Kishu Daswani -Conflict management
 - b. “Reimagining Accreditation: Future-Ready Quality Practices in Higher Education”- Prof Ramya. B, Krishtu Jayanti College-10th November 2025.
 - c. FDP on examination reforms – New Faculty – 11th November 2025
 - d. Session on cyber awareness- Nonteaching faculty- 11th November 2025
2. Conferences/ workshops:
 - a. Satellite Communication - 10th and 11th November 2025
 - b. National level Hindi Conference on 25th & 26th November 2025
 - c. Viksit Maharashtra 2047, 28th and 29th November 2025.
 - d. Conference by the BMS department in January 2026



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3. Xynergy - 5th December 2025
4. CAS process for faculty - in progress for eligible faculty
5. OBE faculty workshops for course attainment by the OBE committee.
6. PhD Coursework- Seven credit coursework for PhD students of science will be held in November/December 2025
7. Alumni Dinner to be held on 20th December 2025
8. Academic and Administrative Audit to be conducted in Feb/ March 2026 for the AY 2024-25
9. Late Mr. Lloyd Menezes Award for excellence in Academic Innovation – Scholarship Committee

AQAR 2024-25 data collection in process - Finalising of the AQAR. Many of our students have got placements in the Odd Semester. They have to be compiled. The data can be shared in the next IQAC meeting. The next meeting will be in January 2026.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the members of the IQAC Committee.

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| 6 | PROF. (DR.) VILAS GAIKAR | ACADEMICIAN | ONLINE |
| 7 | DR. KRUTIKA DESAI | ACADEMICIAN | ABSENT |
| 8 | MS. SHAHEEN MISTRI | TEACH FOR INDIA | ABSENT |
| 9 | DR BOBBY P MATHEW | VICE-PRINCIPAL (ACADEMICS) | Bobby P Mathew 11/10/25 |
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| 23 | MR. PETER D'MONTE | REGISTRAR | Peter 11/10/25 |
| 24 | MS. SOY MARIA | STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE | Soy Maria 11/10/2025 |



Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 24th January 2026

A meeting of **IQAC** was held in the Board Room on Saturday, 24th January 2026 at 2.00 p.m.
Venue: Board Room, St. Xavier's College.

Agenda

1. Passing the minutes of the previous meeting
2. Action taken report
3. Review and passing of AQAR
4. Updates
5. Plans ahead
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- The meeting began with a short prayer by the Rector.



Approval of minutes held on 11th October 2025.

- The Minutes of the meeting were read and discussed.
A Resolution to pass the minutes of the meeting was proposed by Prof. (Dr.) Mala Pandurang and seconded by Dr. Sangeeta Shetty.

Action Taken Report: 11th October 2025 to 23rd January 2026

- IQAC initiatives – Faculty Development Programme -
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 on Cyber Awareness by Mr. Tejas More on 11th November 2025 for the Non-Teaching Staff.
- 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.
- Seed Money Research Proposals: Review of the proposals and presentation with expert group was held on Friday, 19th December 2025. Four faculty have been granted seed money.
- Conferences/ workshops: Satellite Communication - 10th and 11th November, Viksit Maharashtra 2047, 28th and 29th November.
- Xynergy 5th December 2025-'Unleashing Vision: Forging Connections'
- CAS process for faculty - in progress for eligible faculty
- OBE faculty workshops for course attainment by the OBE committee.
- PhD Coursework- 7 credit for Biology students was conducted between November/December 2025

Passing of AQAR 2024-2025:

1. The Part A and seven Criterion of the AQAR were presented by Dr. Priya Sundarrajan, and the various criterion heads. The link of the criteria was shared with the experts and the detailed inputs provided on the same. The AQAR was passed through circulation.
2. Prof. (Dr.) Mala Pandurang and Prof. Dr. Vilas Gaikar congratulated the AQAR team for the presentation.

Updates for the period 12th October 2025 to 24th January 2026:

1. **MOUs signed:**
 - SBI General Insurance Company (Finance symposium 2025) - October 31st 2025
 - Amar- Yashasvi Pvt. Ltd. Isolation of microorganisms that produce Vit C, B2 and B12 -Rs. 375979/- (December 2025 – March 2026)
 - EOI with IIT Bombay for Virtual Labs



2. AWS Academy Membership:

St. Xavier's College, Mumbai, has been approved as a **member institution of the AWS Academy Program** under **Amazon Internet Services Private Limited (AISPL)**. Through this collaboration, educators can pursue AWS Academy accreditation to become authorized instructors for AWS Academy courses.

3. The Vigilance Awareness Week was held with various activities on the campus. The Mental Health Awareness Week was also celebrated; wherein various workshops were conducted.
4. Research Update: **Constitution of the Institutional Research Ethics Committee:** Review of 2 Faculty and 33 Student Research projects involving human volunteers for the academic year 2025-26 completed.
5. Some publications: some of our faculty members have published Research Papers, Articles and chapter.
6. The Annual Sports Day of the College was held on 12th December 2025 at the University Sports Ground.
7. The Department of BAF hosted a Finance Symposium on 22nd November 2025.
8. A series of workshops and conferences were conducted by various departments in December- January 2026.
9. A Research Conference and Business Conference was held by the Department of Management Studies on 19th & 20th January 2026.
10. Aamod-Marathi Vangmai Mandal programme was held on 16th and 17th January 2026.
11. Green Initiatives: conducted various activities like Nature Trail, Christmas Collection, Seminar on National Clean Air Programme and Campus Clean-up Drive.
12. OJT Orientation by Internship Cell for SY and PG students on 19th January 2026.
13. Blood Donation Drive by SSL on 23rd January 2026.
14. IMG concerts were held on 25th and 26th January 2026.
15. Congratulations to our faculty Mr. Saif Khan, Mr. Bhushan Kulkarni and Ms. Ruchi Brahmachari for successfully defending their Ph.D. Thesis.
16. Students Achievements: congratulations to all our students who have participated and won prizes in many events conducted in the inter-collegiate competitions.
17. Sports Achievements: Our students have participated in various Sports Events and qualified for the international level as well. A visually challenged student is a National Level Swimmer and has won the silver medal.
18. One of our Alumni Prof. Richa Rikhy has been awarded the Anne McLaren Award for Outstanding Women in Developmental Biology by the International Society of Differentiation!



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Plans Ahead:

- January 31st 2026 - PTA meeting
- 25th and 26th January 2026 - IMG - JanFest
- 29th January - IQAC Initiative session by Dr. Ajay Bhatnagar on "Lessons Learned after 50 years in Academic Research and Commercial R&D"
- 14th February - Biowaves (Seminar by Life Science Department)
- 28th February - National Science Day Celebrations.
- Vividha 2026 by Department of Ancient Indian Culture on 28th & 29th January 2026.
- Interviews for Candidates who have applied for promotion under CAS
- Even Semester Examinations

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the members of the IQAC Committee.

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Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 17th April 2026

A meeting of IQAC was held in the Board Room on Friday, 17th April 2026 at 2.00 p.m.
Venue: Board Room, St. Xavier's College.

Agenda

1. Passing the minutes of the previous meeting
2. Action taken report
3. Updates
4. Plans ahead
5. Any other matter

Attendees

The members of the Committee present were:

1. Dr. Priya Sundarrajan, Director
2. Dr. (Fr.) Keith D'Souza, S.J. Rector
3. Dr. (Fr.) Arul J. Bosco, S.J., Management Representative
4. Prof. (Dr.) Mala Pandurang, Academician
5. Prof. (Dr.) Vilas Gaikar, Academician
6. Ms. Shaheen Mistri, Teach for India
7. Dr. Bobby Mathew, Vice-Principal, Academics
8. Ms. Alpana Palkhiwale, Vice-Principal (Arts)
9. Dr. Sanjay Parab, Vice-Principal, Commerce
10. Mr. Marazban Kotwal, Vice-Principal, Science
11. Mr. Peter D'Monte, Registrar
12. Dr. Sangeeta Shetty, Faculty Representative
13. Ms. Saima Khan, Dy. Controller of Exams
14. Dr. (Ms.) Abhilasha Jain, Faculty Representative
15. Dr. Binoj Kutty, Faculty Representative
16. Ms. Piyali Unnikrishnan, Faculty Representative
17. Dr. Jotiram Gaikwad, Faculty Representative
18. Dr. Ashok Bingi, Faculty Representative
19. Ms. Soni George, Faculty Representative
20. Dr. (Ms.) Aparna Kulkarni, Faculty Representative
21. Dr. (Ms.) Shiney Peter, Faculty Representative

Members not in attendance

1. Dr. Krutika Desai, Academician
2. Prof. (Dr.) Karuna Gokarn, I/C Principal (on Fulbright Scholarship)
3. Ms. Soy Maria, Student Representative



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- The meeting of the fourth IQAC was held on 17th April 2026, at 2.00 p.m.
- The meeting began with a short prayer by the Rector.

Approval of minutes held on 17th April 2026.

- The Minutes of the meeting were read and discussed.
A Resolution to pass the minutes of the meeting was proposed by Prof. Dr. Mala Pandurang and seconded by Dr. Sanjay Parab.

Action Taken Report: 24th January 2026 to 16th April 2026

- Parent Teacher Meeting held on January 31st 2026
- 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
- IQAC Initiatives:
 - a. Session by Dr. Ajay Bhatnagar on “Lessons Learned after 50 years in Academic Research and Commercial R&D” 29th January
 - b. Session on Knowledge Issues in the world today- Dr. Victor Gorelykh, 26th February 2026.
- Biowaves'26, International Symposium by Department of Life Science and Biochemistry- 14th February, 2026.
- National Science Day Celebration- GCC course -Photo exhibition by the students- 28th February. 45 students completed the course.
- NIRF – Details of 2024-25 being uploaded on the NIRF portal on 7th March 2026
- Interviews for Candidates who have applied for promotion under CAS was held on 13th March 2026
 - a. Dr. Leena Joshi- Department. of Physics for promotion to academic level 13A
 - b. Dr. Maya Murdeshwar and Dr. Bhaskar Saha, Department of Life Science and Biochemistry, for promotion to academic level 12

Updates for the period 23rd January 2026 to 16th April 2026

- **Update on OBE:**
 - a. Dr. Binoj Kutty (OBE Committee) shared the revised OBE documents, guidelines, and draft exit survey forms with IQAC members and experts via email for feedback, with a specified time-bound period for responses.
 - b. A pilot study was with the QualCampus ERP software to test mapping and calculation of course outcomes and program outcomes, and document the process in an OBE manual/SOP.



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- c. Finalize and circulate the OBE manual/SOP, including the feedback mechanism and gap analysis process, for departmental and college-level use.
 - d. Revise the program exit survey to focus on competency (not confidence) and consider breaking the survey into shorter sections; seek feedback from IQAC and implement changes as suggested.
 - e. Coordinate with departments to review and, if needed, update course outcomes and syllabi based on OBE findings, especially before the next academic year.
- Visit to College by Prof. H. C. Verma and interaction with students was organised by Department of Physics 23rd and 24th January 2026.
 - SITARE 2025–2026, an inter-collegiate cultural festival was held on 30-31 January 2026 featured a range of cultural and academic events.
 - The State-Level Prize Distribution Programme of Career Katta (5th anniversary) was held in collaboration with SXCM at Yashwantrao Chavan Auditorium, Nariman Point on Wednesday, Feb 25, 2026.

Our institution received:

- Dr. Karuna Gokarn - Adhunik Savitri Puraskar (State level)
- Dr. Karuna Gokarn – Best Principal Award (Mumbai Region)
- St. Xavier's College – Best Career Sansad Award (Second Prize)
- **The Gender Cell in collaboration with the IQAC, St. Xavier's College, Mumbai (Autonomous Empowered Institute) invites you (Teaching and Non- Teaching Staff) to 'Gulaal & Groove' on Wednesday, 11th March, 2026.**
- Our college magazine has won the prestigious Prof. M. V. Chandgadkar Trophy for the Best College Magazine for the year 2024-25, R.A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) in Mumbai. The Annual Prize Distribution Program of the college was held on 28th March 2026.
- Comprehensive Eye Check-up Camp was organised by Shantilal Shanghvi Eye Institute (SSEI) in association with XRCVC and St. Xavier's College, Mumbai on Wednesday, 18 February 2026. A total of 210 individuals benefitted from the initiative.
- As a part of our Grade 10 Induction Program titled "*Nayi Udaan*", new batch of Grade 10 students from iTech NMMC 92/121 Nerul School. visited the college on 18th March 2026.
- The college organised the commencement ceremony for the 2026 graduating batch, attended by students, parents, and the chief guests were Dr. Shubha Tole
- the college celebrated Ambedkar Jayanti with a function organized by non-teaching staff on 13th April 2026.
- DIRS conducted a lecture series on respecting different religious traditions – Gandhi Lecture, Ambedkar lecture etc.



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- **Placement cell update:**
 - a. So far 140 students have been placed out of 390 who registered at the beginning of the year. (35%).
 - b. Highest salary 25LPA, average salary in 2025 – 2026: 7.97 LPA
 - c. Internships for SY- total of 1040 SY students completed - almost 100%
 - d. Workshops organised for students...Resume writing, Soft Skills, Entrepreneurship.
- **Green initiatives in the college:**

Awareness Lectures on Plastic Waste (XEC & Green Club)
participation in a climate skills showcase, and a student visit to Sanjay Gandhi National Park.
- XRCVC organised various sessions and workshops for SWD students.
- NCC activities including career guidance sessions and certificate examinations.
- **Student's accolades:**
 - a. Aaron Joyce from Dept of IT batch of 26, has bagged the Silver medal in the India Skills national competition 2026, Organised under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and supported by the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC).
 - b. A delegation of 12 final-year Public Policy students presented their research findings on the challenges, opportunities and potential reforms in gig work in India – 17th February 2026.
 - c. Some of our UG and PG students got ranks in many all India exams like GATE XL, IIT-JAM, JGEEE-BILLS etc.
- **Faculty Achievements:**
 - a. Mr Kartik Adake, Department of Zoology, received Best Oral Presentation Award at the National Conference “SciFusion 2026” on Interdisciplinary Scientific Research, held on 13-14 March 2026 at K.L.E Society's Science and Commerce College, Kalamboli, Navi Mumbai.
 - b. Mr. Sachin Rajagopalan, Department of Life Science and Biochemistry won best oral presentation award in National Conference titled Innervate 2026 organized by Bajaj College of Science, Wardha in association with Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF).
 - c. Dr. Harshad Parekar, Department of Zoology and Dr. Varsha Giri, Department of Botany defended their thesis by open defence.
 - d. Prof. Dr. Karuna Gokarn, Principal, received the Fulbright-Nehru International Education Administrators Award. She visited seven Universities in USA from 11th to 25th April as part of the fellowship.



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- e. Two of our faculty Dr. Pushpa Sinkar, Department of Zoology and Dr. Saju George, Department of Statistics superannuated on 30th March 2026.

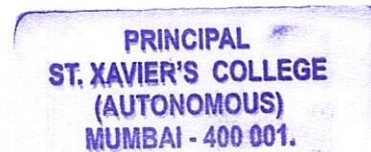
Plans Ahead:

- Submit applications to the University for approval of the proposed fourth-year/honors by research programs, including revised admission criteria and fee structures.
- Xavier's Entrance Test (XET) for many self-financed courses is being conducted in May 2026.
- Admissions to various courses of UG and PG will be initiated in May according to university guidelines.
- Present OBE calculation results in the first IQAC meeting in June/July 2026.
- Orientation sessions for new faculty and incoming students (first year and postgraduate) for the new academic year.
- Compile and continue work on the AQAR (Academic Annual Quality Assurance Report) for 2024-2025.
- Conduct the academic audit for the year 2024-2025.
- Consider inclusion of responsible use of AI as an explicit outcome in OBE, as suggested during the meeting.
- Interviews for Ad- hoc posts
- Explore and implement methods to increase student response rates for exit/feedback surveys (e.g., administering in class, linking to marksheet distribution, using shorter forms, etc.), as discussed.
- Identify and focus exit survey questions on key areas where feedback is most needed, as suggested by Mala.

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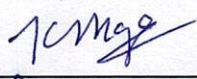



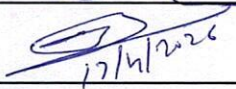

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