Chowgule Education Society's
Parvatibai Chowgule College of Arts and Science
(Autonomous)
Accredited by NAAC with Grade 'A+'
Vol XII Issue I
August, 2026

CHRONICLE

History Forum

Department of History

IN THIS ISSUE

Departmental Orientation Programme

History Forum Inaugural

Freshers 2026

Poem by Renaiah Vallanka Pereira

Editorial Board

EDITORIAL

The Department of History embarked on an inspiring new chapter with the Departmental Orientation Programme for First-Year History Students, welcoming young minds into the enriching world of historical inquiry. The programme familiarised students with the department's vision, academic opportunities, and the significance of studying history in understanding our present and shaping our future.

The inauguration of the History Forum marked an important milestone, establishing a dynamic student leadership platform that encourages initiative, collaboration, responsibility, and active participation in departmental activities. The Freshers' Programme added warmth and enthusiasm to the occasion, fostering camaraderie and a sense of belonging among students and faculty.

A special highlight of this issue is the poem "Echoes of the Hall: A Department's Journey" by our student, Renaiah Vallanka Pereira, which captures the department's memories, aspirations, and shared identity.

In this issue, we celebratethese milestones and the vibrant spiritofour academic community. May thesepages inspire curiosity, leadership,and a deeper appreciation of history.

Suraj TukaramMandekar
Assistant Professor
Department of History

DEPARTMENTAL ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR FIRST-YEAR HISTORY STUDENTS



The Department of History organized an orientation programme for the First-Year History students on 27 June 2026 to familiarize them with the department. The resource persons for the session were Mr. Suraj Tukaram Mandekar, Assistant Professor, and Ms. Sarita Naik Tari, Head and Associate Professor.

The programme commenced with an introduction to the Department of History, highlighting its rich legacy, unique academic strengths, and distinguished alumni who have excelled in various fields.

A detailed orientation on the National Education Policy (NEP) structure was provided, explaining the curriculum framework and offering guidance on the selection of Multidisciplinary Courses (MDC), Ability Enhancement Courses (AEC), Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC), and Vocational Courses (VOC).

The resource persons also introduced students to the department's curricular and co-curricular activities, including workshops, field visits, national days celebrations conducted to enhance deeper engagement with history. Examination procedures, internal assessment, attendance requirements, and were clearly explained. Students were further acquainted with the code of conduct, emphasising discipline, punctuality and academic integrity.

The programme helped the students gain confidence and a clear understanding of their academic journey in the Department of History.

Suraj Tukaram Mandekar
Assistant Professor
Department of History



History Forum Inaugural

On 6th August 2026, the History department held its forum inauguration. A momentous occasion for both the students of the history department and the department, as it marked the beginning of the new cabinet of the history forum. The forum which comprises of bright-eyed FYs, Sys and TYs, all eager to do their part for the history department. The forum inauguration was held in the upper auditorium. It was overseen by the dedicated faculty of the History department, namely Ma'am Sarita Naik Tari, Ma'am Fravina Rebelo and Sir Suraj Tukaram Mandekar. The students were welcomed to their new posts with cheers and words of encouragements by their fellow classmates and teachers. The new members professed their dedication to their posts and department through an oath and were then badged. The new memberswere ever so ready to take up their posts, and were all excited to begin their journey as officiated members of the forum cabinet.

Godwin Barros
TYBA – Single Major History



FRESHERS 2026

The Forum inaugural was followed by the Freshers. On 6thAugust 2026, the History Department was filled with joy as it was the official welcome of the new history first yearstudents. It was an occasion filled with games, performances and fun prizes. The FYs were energetic as always and enjoyed the performances put up by the Sys. They were also were eager to participate in the spot prices and games that were held. There was Mr. and Mrs. Freshers held, in which the FYs showcased their various talents and truly wowed us all with their performances and brilliant skills. It was truly a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. The Freshers marked the beginning of the FYs journey in the history department, and what an amazing beginning it truly was.

Godwin Barros
TYBA – Single Major History





ECHOES OF THE HALL: A DEPARTMENT'S JOURNEY



We walked through the doors like lost, quiet sheep,
Unsure of the secrets the pages would keep.
Confused by the dates and the long, winding past,
We wondered how long our survival would last.

We read of harsh rulers whose cruelties cut deep,
And battles that caused whole empires to weep.

But here in our classrooms, through patient detail,
Our teachers ensured that we wouldn't fail.
They noticed our struggles and helped us to grow,
Teaching us things that we needed to know.



The Colonial rule brought us great hardship and pain,
A heavy, hard shadow that left a deep stain.
Yet out of those struggles, new visions took seed,
To build a free nation, democratic indeed.

For even when evil brings sorrow and tears,
It leaves us with lessons that last through the years.

These pages are more than just facts on a wall,
The past comes alive as we walk through this hall.
The journey was tough, but it made us stand tall,
And gave us a story to share with you all.



Renaiah Vallanka Pereira
TYBA – Double Major English-History

Editorial Board

FACULTY



Asst. Prof. Suraj Mandekar

DESIGN AND LAYOUT



Mahalsika Virdikar
SYBA

CONTRIBUTORS



Godwin Barros
TYBA



Renaiah Pereira
TYBA