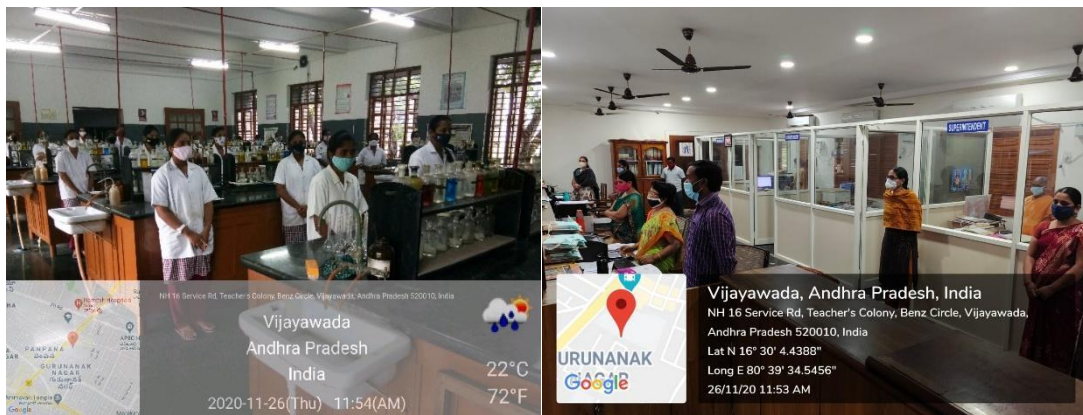# MARIS STELLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)
Department of Political Science
2020-2021

1. The department has celebrated National Constitution Day (Samvidhan Divas) on 26-11-2020 by arranging a live telecast (Lok Sabha TV) of Preamble Reading by the President of India. Altogether 360 students and 100 staff participated in the Preamble Reading. Dr.B. Rajendra Prasad, Senior Faculty in the Department addressed students on the importance and the need to spread the ideology of the Constitution. The day is celebrated every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India on 26 November 1949 by the Constituent Assembly which came into force on 26 January 1950.
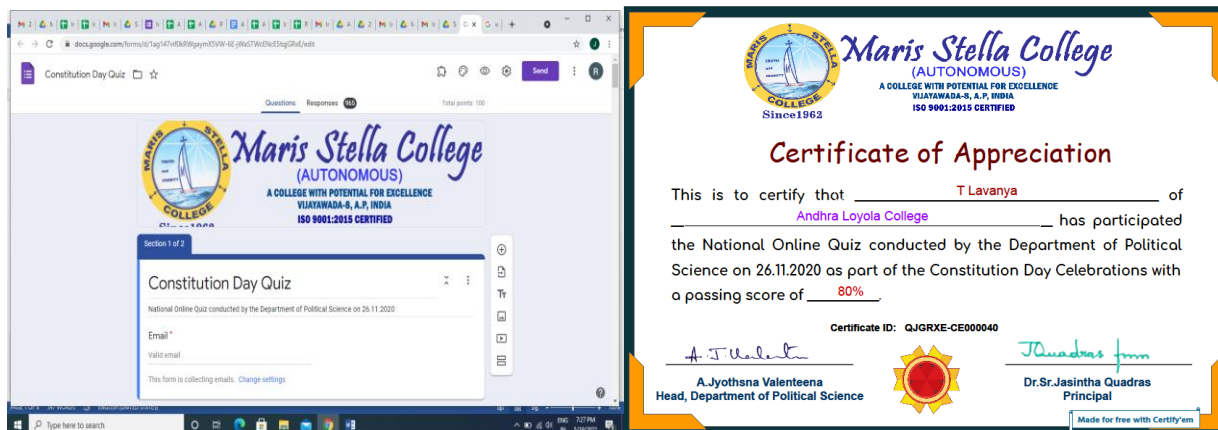

Preamble reading by students and staff 26.11.2021.

Live telecast of Preamble Reading by the President of India at 11 am 26.11.2020.
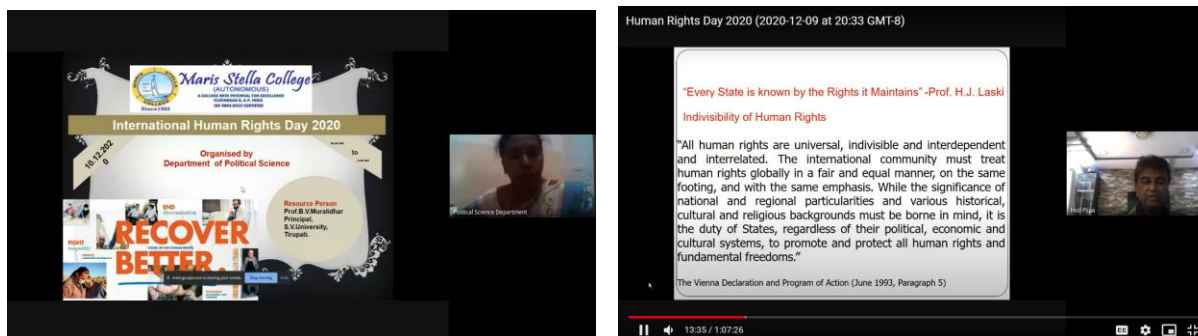
2. Organised National Online Quiz on the eve of National Constitution Day on 26.11.2020 in Google Form. Topic for the quiz is "Indian Constitution". 965 participants attempted the quiz and received certificates.

National Online Quiz Responses 26.11.2020   *Sample of E certificate 26.11.2020*

3. On the eve of International Human Rights Day the department has organised a Guest Lecture on the topic 'Human Rights in India' on 10.12.2020 by Prof. Muralidhar, Principal, S.V.University, Tirupati. The speaker stressed on the importance of Human Rights in re-building the world and the need for global solidarity. He discussed from the theological point of view and important challenges to Human Rights in the contemporary World. Human Rights Day is celebrated to raise awareness about people's social, cultural, and physical rights and to ensure the welfare of everyone. This day is observed to promote equality, peace, justice, freedom and the protection of human dignity. Every individual is entitled to rights irrespective of race, colour, religion, sex, language, or social status.

Guest Lecture on the Importance of Human Rights 10.12.2021.

4. On the eve of National Voters' Day the department has organized Essay Writing and Elocution Competitions on the topics "Making our Voters Empowered, Vigilant, Safe and Informed" and "Empowering Voters and Increasing Election Participation". 27 students participated in the Essay

writing and 16 students participated in Elocution on 25.01.2021. The day was celebrated to spread awareness among the youth so that they can cast their vote to a responsible person and participate in the development of the country. Every year it is celebrated on 25 January. The main objective behind the celebration is to encourage, facilitate, and maximise enrolment, especially for new voters. The day has been celebrated since 2011 across the country to mark the foundation of the Election Commission of India, i.e. 25th January 1950. This year the day was celebrated with theme of "Making our Voters Empowered, Vigilant, Safe and Informed".

Elocution Competition on National Voters' Day 25.01.2021

5. Organised guest lecture on the topic "Right to Vote in Democracy" by K.V. Vijaya Babu, Rtd. Lecturer in Political Science, Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada on the eve of National Voters' Day. As part of the programme Voters Pledge was taken, new Voter Id Cards were issued and a poster was released. 550 students participated in the programme. The programme was organised in collaboration with Vijayawada Municipal Corporation. The day encourages the youth to participate in the electoral process.

Guest Lecture "Right to Vote in Democracy" 25.01.2021

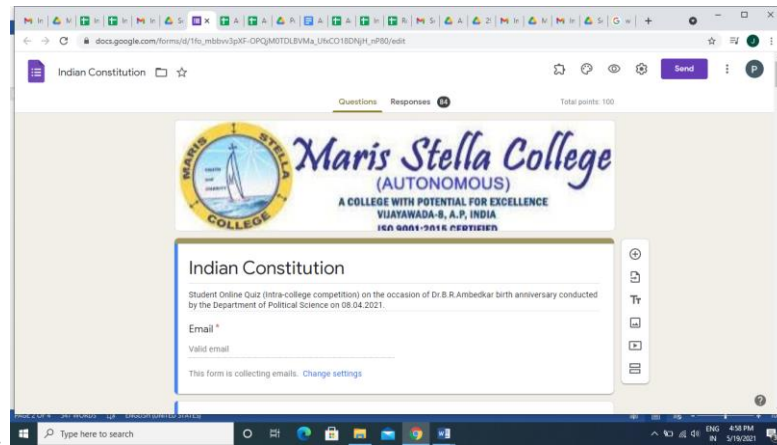*Issued New Voter Id Cards 25.01.2021*   *Poster launching 25.01.2021*

6. On the Occasion of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Jayanti the Department of Political Science has organized the following activities,

- Essay Writing on the occasion of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Jayanti (Internal Competition) Spirit of Ambedkarism 07.04.2021. 27 students participated in the competition. Ambedkarism' is today a living force in India, much as Marxism. It defines the ideology of the Dalit movement and, to a large extent, an even broader anti-caste movement.

Essay Writing Competition 07.04.2021.

- Online Quiz on the occasion of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Jayanti (Internal Competition) on the topic "Indian Constitution" on 08.04.2021 84 students participated in the quiz and received e-certificates.

Online Quiz on Indian Constitution 08.04.2021

- Student Seminars on the occasion of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Jayanti (Internal Competition) on the topic "Rights and Responsibilities of a Citizen" on 09.04.2021. 17 students participated. A right is a choice to make your own opinion and entitlement to things such as education, religion and freedom of speech. Responsibilities are duties or something an individual should do as per law and as per his/her self-satisfaction.
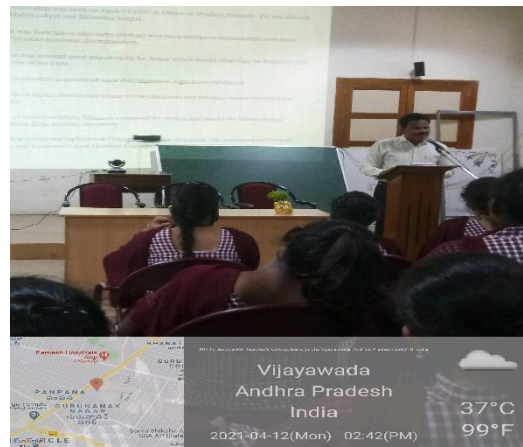

Student Seminars on "Rights and Responsibilities of a Citizen" 09.04.2021

- On the occasion of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti the department organised Poster Presentation on the topic "Life of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar" on 10.04.2021. Total 21 students participated in the competition. Dr B R Ambedkar was born in a caste which was considered as the lowest of the low. But this very man framed the Constitution for the country. His life was one of struggles, as his radical proposals to deal with the Caste System met with overt hostility from the Upper Castes.

Poster Presentation on "Life of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar" 10.04.2021

- Organised Guest lecture was organised on 12.04.2021 on the occasion of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti by Dr. Nani Babu Mangalapati, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Adikavi Nannaya University, MSN Campus, Kakinada, AP. 12.04.2021. The topic for the guest was on the Philosophy of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar 240 students along with 3 faculty participated in the talk. The speaker discussed the legacy of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar as a socio-political reformer and his effect on modern India. Positively, Ambedkar social philosophy may be said to be enshrined in three words: liberty, equality, and fraternity. His philosophy has roots in religion and not in political science

Guest lecture on the Philosophy of Dr.B.R. Ambedkar 12.04.2021