



**Public
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**Annual Report
2020-2021**

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Public Concern for Governance Trust (PCGT), a registered trust, founded by concerned citizens, mobilizes public opinion, increases public participation and activism towards promoting honesty, transparency and accountability in governance.

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To strive for good governance, contain corruption, uphold and inculcate values and enhance Sadbhavna in the citizens.

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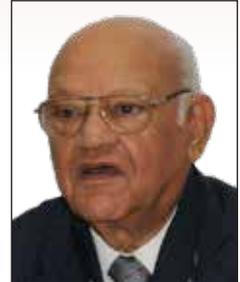
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From The Chairman's Desk

The term “Ides of March” is famously dramatised in William Shakespeare’s play ‘Julius Caesar’ when a soothsayer warns Caesar “beware of the Ides of March”. Today the term is best known as the date on which Julius Caesar was assassinated in 44 B.C. Nobody anticipated that March 2020 will become a tumultuous month. The World Health Organization (WHO) declares COVID-19 as a Global pandemic on March 2020. On the evening of 24th March 2020, the Prime Minister of India went on National Television and ordered a Nationwide lockdown for 21 days to begin with, limiting movement of the entire 138 crore population of India, as a preventive measure against the COVID-19 pandemic in India.



We all take comfort in certainty and we demand it of others, even when we know it’s impossible. When the total lockdown was ordered, we realise that “Certainty is an Illusion”. Like everybody else, we in PCGT too, soon adapted to the new situation.

The year 2020-2021 started with PCGT rising up to the challenges and providing succour and help to those in need (families of Adivasis, migrant labour and people thrown out of work). Our report “PCGT during Lockdown” gives full details of the work done by our staff under the inspiring leadership provided by our Trustees Mrs. Ana Saldanha, Mrs. Rekha Shahani, Mr. Gulam A. Vahanvaty and Mr. Sanjeev Dayal. Our staffers Rensdon Rodrigues, Sonali Shelar and Yashasweeta Kokate went beyond their call of duty to help others, putting themselves into risk in view of the prevailing pandemic.

All our Trustees and Staff members adapted and learnt the use of on-line platforms like Zoom and Google Meet and made the transition to “on-line work”. Our work on all our verticals Kuchh Aur, Youth For Governance and Right To Information (RTI) / Right To Service (RTS) as well as our Leadership programmes including the National Youth Parliament continued on the “on-line mode”. Our monthly internship programme also became “on-line” on Zoom / Google Meet platforms. Our Internship programme attracted participants from throughout India and on an average we had 15-20 interns every month.

In the transition to Remote Working or Work From Home (WFH) and the adoption of Webinars as the preferred mode for communication, a special mention needs to be made on the remarkable contributions made by Mr. Ranga Rao, Mr. Shivam Jain Kakadia and our ex-intern Harsh Sharma.

The year that has gone by (2020-2021) brought home the import of what Alvin Toffler pithily stated in his book ‘Powershift’ – “The illiterate of the twenty-first century will not be those who cannot read and write but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn”. PCGT adapted well during this volatile, uncertain, complex and ambiguous year.

J. F. Ribeiro

Chairman



PCGT DURING LOCKDOWN MARCH-SEPTEMBER 2020

I-Relief Work

ONE | PROJECT GOD'S PEOPLE

Mr. Renzdon Rodrigues, Programme Manager of Youth for Governance (YFG), being the socially aware citizen that he is, learnt about appeal for help to feed the people of Devkipada in Palghar District. This appeal was discussed with Mrs. Ana Saldanha, a Trustee of PCGT. She was moved by the plight of this village. Through the efforts of Mrs. Saldanha and Mr. Rodrigues, a community kitchen was set up in Devkipada.

The grain supplied by the village Panchayat was about to get depleted, when, at the request of Mr. Sanjeev Dayal, Trustee of PCGT, the current and the former SPs of Palghar, Mr. Datta Shinde and Mr. Gaurav Singh respectively, came to the rescue. The gentlemen immediately made a stopgap arrangement from the emergency funds till Mrs. Saldanha was able to raise funds for the purpose.



On ground research in the area brought to Mr. Rodrigues' attention that the Adivasis of Warli Tribe in Palghar were not receiving any support from the Government or NGOs. Realizing the need of the hour, Mrs. Saldanha quickly set up a plan to send help, but as an individual and not being a registered NGO undertaking this project, she needed a partner to route the funds.

Mrs. Amita Divecha, a Volunteer at PCGT, came on board for the Project and found the partner who had been doing a lot of work in Palghar, Habitat for Humanity (HFH), a reputed global NGO that was also doing relief work for migrants during the lockdown. Habitat is a registered NGO and has an 80-G Certificate. Mrs. Saldanha connected to Mrs. Maria Peres from Habitat for Humanity who was supportive of the plan and thus began the journey of Project God's People.



The Project went live on April 10, 2020 on KETTO with a crowdfunding appeal to support the vulnerable tribal families in the Palghar area. It was started under the umbrella of Habitat for Humanity.



The target of two lakhs fifty thousand was quickly met in a few hours. Mrs. Saldanha spread the word among family and friends and the funds came pouring in! Within a few hours, she revised the target to Rs. 10 lakhs which was achieved in 48 hours. Alongside Mrs. Divecha and Mr. Rodrigues who had been working full time since the initiation of the project, two volunteers joined to work on ground. One was Fr. Andrew Dantis, former intern of PCGT, now working with Pahunch, a small church organization, working amongst the Adivasi population of Naigaon and the other was Sister Rosaline of Adivasi Vikas Kendra at Shilonda in Dahanu Taluka of Palghar.

Mr. Rodrigues, Fr Andrew, and Sister Rosaline were the eyes and ears who identified the needy communities in remote areas of the district and started distribution of dry ration kits sent by designated wholesale grocers from Vashi.

How funds were raised

Ketto, a crowd funding platform, under the umbrella of Habitat for Humanity was used to raise Rs 22,80,330 via friends and well wishers

Three large donors provided ration kits directly from wholesale grocers in Vashi, New Bombay. Rs 16,50,000 was collected through this route.

Soon donations came from two corporates, Tanna Agro and USV, which were utilized for supply of the grains, etc. Our volunteers packed and distributed the food kits. 3405 families (an average of 4 people per family) received help in the form of ration through this project and we know that many, many more are in similar dire state with no money or food.

Each ration kit cost Rs 900 and would last a family of 4 for 15-20 days. Most of the families that Project God's People supported were Adivasi Tribals who are extremely poor and backward and live deep in the forested and barren areas of Palghar.

Often our volunteers walked for several kilometers to reach them. They are mostly landless laborers who worked as daily wage workers in brick kilns and on construction and railway projects.

It was ensured that no discrimination takes place on who gets help, the urgent need of food for themselves and their families was kept as the focus. Therefore, this way not only the Tribals but also many migrants who rent shanty-like homes and live in Palghar, from auto rickshaw drivers migrated from Uttar Pradesh to factory workers from Orissa and Jharkhand, no request was turned away and food was supplied to those in need.

- ✓ The team also tied up with Roti Bank to feed 300 families in Mahul for 5 weeks till dry ration could be supplied.
- ✓ Facilitated a programme of Praja Organization to distribute dry ration to every zone of Mumbai city via the Mumbai Police
- ✓ Distributed dry rations to 300 families through Gulzar of Mohalla Committee Movement Trust at Dharavi



- ✓ Helped CovidAhaarHelp by Distributing dry rations to 45 families in need at Jogeshwari and to 200 families of the students of Jain School in Ghatkopar
- ✓ Distributed dry rations to 100 leper families living in Dahisar
- ✓ Distributed *Iftaar* items to 100 families during Ramzan in Santacruz
- ✓ Distributed clothes and toys collected from housing societies in South Mumbai to various *Padas of Adivasis* in Palghar
- ✓ Helped Aangan Trust distribute rations to 36 families of under-trial prisoners in Palghar
- ✓ Facilitated the movement of a bus carrying migrants from Nasik to Orissa which was organized by the alumni of NLSIU, Bangalore.



Data - Project God's People:

Sr. No.	Date	Location	On ground distributor	No. of Kits	Donor
1	4/20/2020	Janki Pada, Vasai	Fr Andrew Dantis	140	Habitat
2	4/21/2020	Janki Pada, Vasai	Fr Andrew Dantis	255	Habitat
3	4/21/2020	Devi Pada, Vasai	Renzdon Rodrigues	70	Habitat
4	4/25/2020	Naigaon	Fr Andrew Dantis	133	Vashi Vendor
5	4/25/2020	Medhe Pada	Renzdon Rodrigues	121	Vashi Vendor
6	4/25/2020	Kalyan	Hasan	50	Vashi Vendor
7	4/26/2020	Shilonda, Dahanu	Sr. Rosaline	354	Vashi Vendor
8	4/26/2020	Rajawali, Vasai	Fr Andrew Dantis	100	Vashi Vendor
9	5/1/2020	Ambawadi, Dharavi	Shekhar Kallainpur	100	Praja
10	5/1/2020	Dharavi	Gulzar Khan	80	Praja
11	5/2/2020	Shilonda, Dahanu	Sr. Rosaline	650	Direct Donor
12	5/2/2020	Virar	Fr Andrew Dantis	301	Direct Donor
13	5/2/2020	Vadghar	Renzdon Rodrigues	193	Direct Donor
14	5/4/2020	Ghatkopar	-	250	Sunaina Saldanha
15	5/7/2020	Chinchoti	Renzdon Rodrigues	26	Direct Donor
16	5/12/2020	Lendi Pada	Renzdon Rodrigues	85	Harish Thawani



Sr. No.	Date	Location	On ground distributor	No. of Kits	Donor
17	5/12/2020	Khairi Pada	Renzdon Rodrigues	60	USV
18	5/13/2020	Chota Nagpur	Gorreti	437	USV
19	5/29/2020	Rajawali Village	Renzdon Rodrigues	166	Vashi Vendor
20	5/29/2020	Tivri Village	Renzdon Rodrigues	199	Vashi Vendor
21	6/4/2020	Jawhar, Mokhada, Palghar	Renzdon Rodrigues	36	Local Vendor
22	6/11/2020	Jelonde, Bhiwandi	Renzdon Rodrigues	100	Local Vendor
23	6/19/2020	Vikramgad Katkari Pada	Renzdon Rodrigues	66	Local Vendor
24	6/19/2020	Ambeghar Katkari Pada	Renzdon Rodrigues	37	Local Vendor
25	6/29/2020	Naigaon	Pallavi Xalxo	600	Vashi Vendor
26	7/2/2020	Naigaon	Pallavi Xalxo	600	Vashi Vendor
27	7/4/2020	Janki Pada, Vasai	Pallavi Xalxo	200	Vashi Vendor
28	7/9/2020	Dahisar, Virar	Renzdon Rodrigues	25	Local Vendor
29	7/9/2020	Medhi, Vikramgad	Renzdon Rodrigues	59	Local Vendor
30	7/13/2020	Devi Pada, Vasai	Renzdon Rodrigues	31	Local Vendor
31	7/19/2020	Bhim Nagar, Nalasopara	Renzdon Rodrigues	34	Local Vendor
32	7/19/2020	Citizens Colony Naigaon	Renzdon Rodrigues	28	Local Vendor
33	7/19/2020	Bhuigaon	Renzdon Rodrigues	18	Local Vendor
34	7/19/2020	Fatherwadi	Renzdon Rodrigues		Local Vendor
35	8/6/2020	Citizens Colony, Naigon	Renzdon Rodrigues	19	Local Vendor
36	8/10/2020	Nagzari, Vikramgad	Renzdon Rodrigues	78	Local Vendor
37	8/27/2020	Giriz Tok Pada	Renzdon Rodrigues	70	Local Vendor

Project God's People was also able to provide ration kits to 1,500 lower middle class families stranded in Pali area of Naigaon West in Palghar. The families include people who work in restaurants, hotels, as domestic help and in other non-essential services that are hit hard and unlikely to open up for another two months, most people have not received their salaries for the last 3 months. This group also includes 150 families of barbers and 200 local auto rickshaw drivers.

A contribution of Rs. 13,50,000 for 1,500 families at Rs 900 per kit was raised and help was provided.

The commitment of Project God's People is far from over, the work goes on!



TWO | EQUIPMENT PROVIDED TO POLICE, PIMPRI-CHINCHWAD

The Police Department of Pimpri-Chinchwad reached out for help with safety gears during the first lockdown. The trustees of PCGT, Mrs. Rekha Shahani, Mr. Gulam A. Vahanvaty and Mr. Sanjeev Dayal helped the Police of Pimpri-Chinchwad in obtaining the safety equipment through the Rotary Club of Pimpri-Chinchwad.

In order to ensure safety of the police officers on duty, COVID-19 tests, each costing Rs 4,500, were given to a hundred police officers at the Aditya Birla Hospital, Thergaon, Chinchwad, along with the screening of more than 500, of which 96 officers tested positive who then were provided medical treatment in the same hospital. This collaboration and rapport with the police went to ensure that our frontline warriors, in the process of protecting the society, were taken care of.

THREE | HELP TO MIRGANT WORKERS IN NASHIK

The SP of Nashik, Dr. Arti Singh, received help in the form of safety gears including PPE kits from Mr. Gulam A. Vahanvaty, Trustee of PCGT, to feed migrant workers in and travelling through Nashik, Maharashtra; 5,000 meals were provided in this process.

FOUR | RATION TO MIGRANT WORKERS FROM MANIPUR

Mrs. Shahani took the help of Life Foundation to provide daily ration for 885 migrant workers from Manipur who were stuck in Kalina without jobs or help in the month of May 2020.

FIVE | CROWD FUNDING FOR POLICE

Mrs. Shahani was inspired by the story of young 11-year-old Aarnav Mukherjee who, despite his age, was keen on making a contribution to the society during the tough times of the lockdown. Aarnav, with the help of his music teacher, composed a song 'Ode to Mumbai Police' to thank them for their relentless efforts in keeping us safe during this pandemic.

Aarnav's parents assisted him in recording his music video and through generous online donations were able raise Rs 1,52,500 for this cause.

The story of Aarnav's zeal was so inspiring that Mrs. Shahani decided to allow him the right platform to hand over the contribution. She discussed this with Mr. Sanjeev Dayal who arranged for his meeting with DCP Mr. Abhishek Trimukhe.

Mr. Trimukhe was impressed and humbled to receive this contribution towards the Mumbai Police Welfare Fund. Aarnav and his generation are our hopes for a better tomorrow!





SIX | FACILITATING PRAJA

PCGT, through constant efforts of Mrs. Saldanha, was able to facilitate partnership between PRAJA and Mumbai Police whose combined efforts lead to a contribution of over 11,000 ration kits that were distributed in Phase III of the COVID-19 Food Distribution program throughout Mumbai.

DCP Kadam, who was appointed for this project by DG Mr. Jaiswal, made sure of the timely execution of the plan.



SEVEN | COVID AHAAR HELP INITIATIVE

Ms. Sonali Shelar, Programme Manager of the PCGT POCSSO team, realized that there are many kind people and multiple well-functioning NGOs out there providing help to those affected by the lockdown but at the same time, there are people in need to whom no help was reaching. Considering all these factors, she started a website, CovidAhaarHelp.in which acts as a medium between people who need help and people who can provide it. The website lets anyone with internet access make a request for food or ration on behalf of anyone. Upon receiving the request Sonali would find NGOs, groups and individuals working in those areas and connect them. This eliminated the need to send volunteers on ground for data collection and logistics.

Ms. Shelar received technical help from her network and made the website with the help of Mr. Debjit Dutta, start-up professional and alumnus of IIT Kharagpur. Together they formed the technical team that included Ms. Jyoti Mishra, engineer from Academy of Technology, Kolkata and Sandeep Sharma, engineer from IIT Kharagpur. The team ideated, developed and deployed the fully functional website and system in record 3 days; the operations started on April 2, 2020.



On board the consultation team was Ms. Maria Ishwaran from Mohalla Committee Movement Trust and Mr. Deepak Singh, captain of the Robin Hood Army Mumbai team. Their advice and inputs in making an easy-for-anybody-to-use website and running the functions were invaluable.



Upon crossing the first one thousand requests, Ms. Shelar realized that she could not handle the operations all by herself and built a team of 10 volunteers that included experts, professionals and students to handle the operations such as verifying requests, making calls for connections, etc. A detailed system with individual tasks was developed to prevent any unnecessary delays in help reaching the target as soon as possible.

Operations Team Members:

• Debjit Dutta, start-up professional, IIT, Kharagpur	• Prateek Jain, engineer, IIT Kharagpur
• Tejaswini Allikanti, engineer, IIT Bombay	• Rajat Garg, engineer, National Institute of Technology, Warangal
• Reno Sebastian, student, St Xavier's Institute of Management and Research, Mumbai	• Shraddha Tembhurne, student, National Institute of Industrial Engineering, Powai
• Tanya Srivastav, National Institute of Technology, Warangal	• Avirup Mandal, student, Government Law College, Mumbai

As soon as it was observed that the NGOs and groups providing food and ration were running out of funds, Ms. Shelar started raising funds for them to keep the system running. She coordinated with Ms Pooja Sarkar, journalist, Forbes India, who helped her spread the word.

- ✓ A request for families of 45 out of job lorry workers was fulfilled
- ✓ Provided ration to 250 families in the slums of Colaba with on-ground help from Mr. Rafique Shaikh of Mohalla Committee Movement Trust
- ✓ Donated Rs 30,000 to Janvi Trust that provided dry ration to out of job daily wage workers and domestic help workers in Sakinaka, Andheri, and Jogeshwari
- ✓ Distribution of dry ration and vegetables in Shivaji Nagar, Govandi through Ms Cassandra from Nazareth Foundation
- ✓ Collaborated with Roti Ghar Foundation for arranging meals and ration for factory laborers
- ✓ Partnered with Varsha NGO to help differently abled people connect to them to obtain dry ration
- ✓ Provided ration for 200 families of the students of Rishi Valmiki Eco School, Goregaon
- ✓ Worked with Saadhan, GLC, to make arrangements for migrant workers to return to their homes through Indian Railways

More than 3000 people received daily meals for over 8 weeks through collaborative efforts of Covid Ahaar Help team along with multiple NGOs in Mumbai. The ecosystems of the people in need and local providers were created which are still functioning.



Precise Data of the work of Covid Ahaar Help Initiative:

Sr. No.	Beneficiaries	Location	No. of People	Donor
1	Shabbir Kumusgi	Colaba	45	Ralph Craven
2	Kishan Rathod	Cuffe Parade	50	Gulam A. Vahanvaty
3	Xavier Joseph	Colaba	100	Gulam A. Vahanvaty
4	Workers (through Mr. Rafique Shaikh)	Colaba	50	Gulam A. Vahanvaty
5	Manish Kumar Singh	Cuffe Parade	4	Sonali Shelar
6	Nanhi Pari Foundation	Dharavi	200	AIMS Foundation
7	Slum dwellers (through Janvi Trust)	Sakinaka	800	Citizens of Justice & Peace
8	Rakesh	Ghatkopar	5	Sonali Shelar
9	Workers (through Shivkumar Mishra)	Crawford Market	7	Sonali Shelar
10	Rahul Vankhare	Ghatkopar	4	Himanshu Geed
11	Javi Trust	Chandivali	56	Aamir Siddiqui
12	Pankaj Talukdar	Bhiwandi	16	Roti Ghar
13	Rashid	Fort	7	Pankaj Varma Jagannath
14	Vinod Pandey	Sakinaka	4	Sant Nirankari Mandal
15	Altaf Shaikh	Govandi	200	RGIT Students
16	Riyaaz	Nalasopara	10	Nazareth Foundation
17	Janvi Trust	Sakinaka	260	Nazareth Foundation
18	Janvi Trust	Sakinaka	180	Robin Hood Army
19	Rishi Valmiki School	Goregaon	740	AIMS Foundation
20	Janvi Trust	Chandivali	140	Uday Foundation
21	Siddharth Gawai	Powai	51	Robin Hood Army
21	Prafulla Behera	Andheri	20	Citizens of Justice & Peace
22	SPR Jain Kanyashala	Vikramgad Katkari Pada	1000	Project God's People
23	Harsh Shinde	Ambeghar Katkari Pada	45	Janvi Trust



II – PROJECT WORK

ONE | YOUTH FOR GOVERNANCE

In an effort to encourage youth to make a difference from home during lockdown, the PCGT Youth for Governance (YFG) team enrolled college students in March to create awareness in their communities about their ability to be in action despite lockdown and inspire people to follow the pressing need of social distancing. Mrs. Saldanha started with a motive to create awareness within buildings and colonies to follow safety measures. The target was to reach communities, friends, family, neighbours, and colleagues through phone calls and make them aware of the issues and in this way forming a human chain of determination.

Specific targeted results achieved by the end of the one month programme :

- ✓ Each student spoke to 15 people daily
- ✓ Each student took a promise from them to speak to 15 others
- ✓ Students were able to spread the right information among family and friends
- ✓ Students got an opportunity to work on their leadership skills and communication
- ✓ Experience of the power and satisfaction of what difference one can make despite circumstances
- ✓ Students collected and circulated data of nearby social working groups and clubs

Student Participants:

•	Mrunal Dattatray Gavankar	V.K. Krishna Menon College
•	Raj Barchha	HR College
•	Pardnya Shinde	Government Law College
•	Vaishnavi Ahire	R.A. Poddar College of Commerce
•	Ali Sharafally	Jai Hind College
•	Shweta Saroj	Guru Nanak College
•	Jash Shah	HR College
•	Shivani Lotankar	Jai Hind College
•	Sharif Marziya	Valia College
•	Yukta Bartakke	KBP Hinduja, College
•	Vaishnovi Patil	KBP Hinduja, College

Team Youth for Governance organized the following webinars:

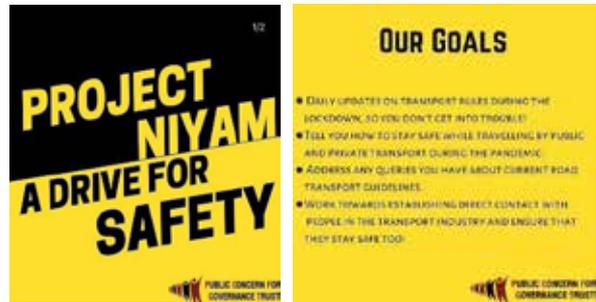
- ✓ Future of Education after COVID-19 by Mr. Sudhir Puranik on July 17, 2020, in association with H.R College



- ✓ RTI: A tool for democracy by Mr. Sumit Mullick on August 8, 2020, in association with CWC Law College
- ✓ Why Civil Service is a dream career? by Mr. V. P. Raja on August 28, 2020, in association with Menon College
- ✓ Leadership & Team Building by Mr. J. F. Ribeiro on September 12, 2020, in association with Sophia College
- ✓ Corporate Governance by Mr. Prasad Chandran on September 17, 2020, in association with R. A. Podar College

Projects undertaken and executed by interns as a part of their online internship programme :

- Project Niyam – To raise awareness among the citizens about lockdown rules and educate truckers on safety norms.
- Project Cyber Watch – The ongoing pandemic changed more than what we expected, right from our sleep cycle to entire societal structure. Social Media became an integral part of our lives. It became a new channel of communication and a platform of sharing information about anything and everything.



Keeping this in mind, PCGT's Cyber Watch project focused on raising awareness about cyber abuse on various social media platforms along with ways of reporting it and necessary precautions to be followed.

In an attempt to understand the user behavior and perception towards cyber abuse, an online survey was conducted with ~200 respondents. In a span of a week, the project saw a daily average viewership of 3500 people on Instagram, while 200+ on twitter.

Additionally, a handbook on staying safe on the internet is being circulated to all the respondents of the survey conducted.



Snap of the social media campaign of Project Cyber Safety on Instagram



- Project Jagruti – The project aimed to target the citizens for whom the Government has provided special schemes. The interns listed down all the welfare schemes of the central and state government and spread awareness about the digital platform to ensure that citizens are aware of their entitlements and make use of them for their progress.

Extensive research of 110 schemes was done. These schemes were then written in a simple and easy to understand manner and posted on all our social media platforms.



TWO | RTI/RTS TEAM

Mr. Ranga Rao, Consultant and head of the RTI/RTS team filed the following RTI applications before the Home Ministry, Law & Judiciary Dept, and Public Health Dept.

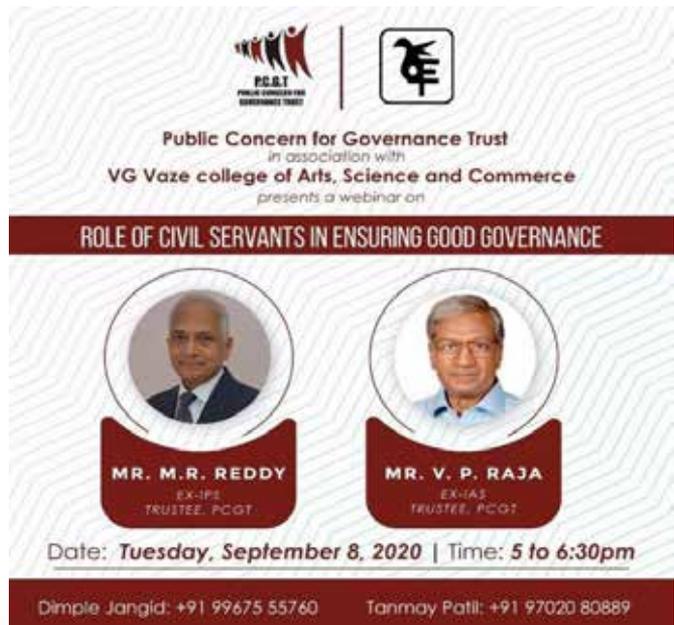
RTI Application/Appeal	Dated	Concerned Dept
Copies of file notings/ correspondence, if any, transpired between Dept. of Home and Dept. of Law & Judiciary that lead to the “compulsory leave” decision of the SP of Palghar	May 25, 2020	Law and Judiciary Dept
Re: vacant positions of senior health professionals	May 30, 2020	Dept. of Public Health
First Appeal: Non receipt of reply from PIO	June 28, 2020	Home Dept. Maharashtra

Keeping the lockdown norms in mind, Mr. Shivam Jain Kakadia, Consultant at PCGT, made the best of the technology and arranged the RTI/RTS and PCGT National Youth Parliament lectures online instead of cancelling them. Mr. Kakadia was successfully able to conduct the following virtual workshops and lectures with the assistance of PCGT Campus Ambassadors, a project that continues to create young leaders in the community

- ✓ Workshop on Indian Polity (Instagram Live) conducted on April 10, 2020 by Mr. Aditya Lele
- ✓ Workshop on the Importance of Youth Parliaments (Instagram Live) conducted on April 12, 2020 by Mr. Miheer Jain
- ✓ Workshop on Indian Parliamentary Procedure (Instagram Live) Conducted on April 14, 2020 by Mr. Ishaan Joshi
- ✓ Webinar on Right to Information (Google Meet) conducted on May 16, 2020 by Mr. Shailesh Gandhi
- ✓ Webinar on Indian Parliamentary Procedure (Google Meet) on May 22, 2020 by Mr. Ishaan Joshi



- ✓ Webinar on Judicial Backlogs Can Become History (Google Meet) on May 23, 2020 by Mr. Shailesh Gandhi
- ✓ Webinar on Improving Interpersonal Relations (Google Meet) on June 5, 2020 by Mr. V. P. Raja
- ✓ Webinar on Health of Democracy and Economy in the Pre-COVID World (Google Meet) on June 7, 2020 by Mr. Mahesh Zagade
- ✓ Webinar on #TimelyJusticeDelivery can happen in India (Google Meet) on June 20, 2020 by Mr. Shailesh Gandhi
- ✓ Webinar on Why Police does not file FIRs: Burking (Google Meet) on June 21, 2020 by Mr. Shailesh Gandhi
- ✓ Introduction to E-NYP (Instagram Live) on June 23, 2020 by Ms. Shreya Yadav and Ms. Nandini Shenai
- ✓ Webinar on Draft EIA Notification 2020 on August 19, 2020 by Ms. Sumaira Abdulali
- ✓ Webinar on Relevance of Ethics and Values in Personal and Professional Life on August 21, 2020 by Mr. V. P. Raja
- ✓ Webinar on Leadership Development and Team Building on August 24, 2020 by Mr. J. F. Ribeiro and Mr. V. P. Raja
- ✓ Webinar on Ethics and Professional Standards in a Modern Law Firm on August 30, 2020 by Mr. Pratik Pawar, Ms. Shanaya Cyrus Irani, and Mr. Siddhesh Pradhan
- ✓ Webinar on Role of Civil Servants in ensuring Good Governance on September 8, 2020 by Mr. M. R. Reddy and Mr. V. P. Raja
- ✓ Webinar on Right to Information: Path to Swaraj on September 27, 2020 by Mr. Shailesh Gandhi





THREE | PCGT NATIONAL YOUTH PARLIAMENT 2020

The second edition of the National Youth Parliament (NYP) was organized by PCGT in association with Pravin Gandhi College of Law, Mumbai (PGCL) on August 1 and 2, 2020.

In view of the pandemic and subsequent lockdowns, the NYP was held virtually this year, on Zoom. The NYP witnessed participation from more than 150 students across the country in five mock committees.

The mock committees simulated at the NYP and issues discussed in each committee are as follows:

1. Lok Sabha: The application of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958
2. Rajya Sabha: The effectiveness of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016
3. Joint Session of Parliament: The Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2019
4. Maharashtra Legislative Assembly: The agrarian distress in Maharashtra with special emphasis on the model of Loan Waivers
5. All India Political Parties Meet (School Committee): Review of India and Environmental Laws.



Group Photograph of the participants in the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly – one of the five mock committees simulated at PCGT NYP 2020

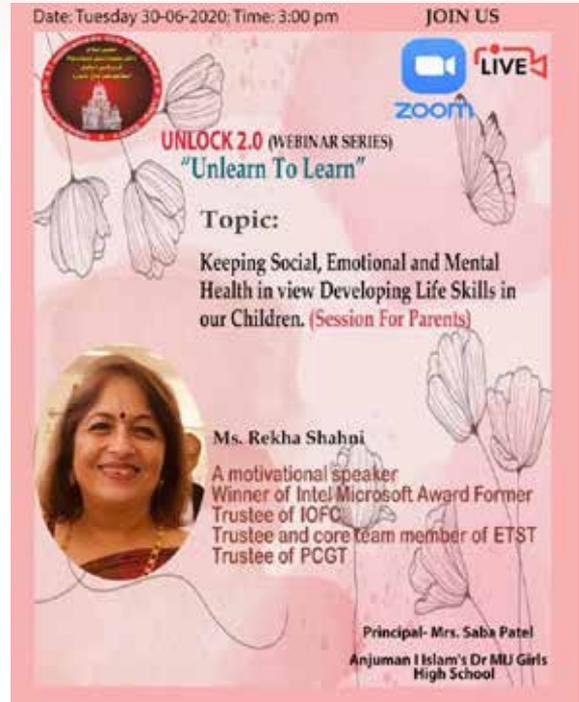


Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd.) Madan B. Lokur addressing the students on "Constitutional Morality" at the Virtual Closing Ceremony of PCGT NYP 2020

The Closing Ceremony of the NYP was graced by the presence of the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Madan B. Lokur (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India) as the Chief Guest, who addressed the students on "Constitutional Morality". The NYP therefore served as an ideal platform for students to understand the legislative process and functioning of the Parliament as well as to analyze and further research upon the issues that are current and relevant from a socio-legal perspective.



FOUR | KUCHH AUR



The team Kuchh Aur has reached out to students to ensure that their mental health is looked after. Mrs. Rekha Shahani, while leading the Programme conducted regular sessions and talks with not only students but parents and teachers too. In the gloomy times of the pandemic, her Joy of Living online sessions became the highlight of the day for many. Keeping positive thoughts and happiness through small activities in focus, the sessions were able to remind people about how much all of us have to be grateful for. A session on the subject was especially conducted for students of Std. X on June 27, 2020.

In her efforts to check on the emotional health of the parents associated with Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanawalla Girls' High School (Anjuman I Islam High School), Mrs. Shahani spoke to them exclusively during her webinar series Unlock 2.0: Unlearn To Learn.

She was also one of seven inspiring speakers at Talk Show organized by Association for Primary Education & Research (APER) of the Early Childhood Association among other educators.

On July 9, 2020 a Zoom and Facebook Live session was conducted on the subject of Single Parenting by Parisar Asha and Capgemini where Mrs. Shahani was the guest speaker. This session was attended by over 100 participants on Zoom and about 500 on Facebook Live.

Ms. Yashasweeta Kokate, Programme Manager for Kuchh Aur has always paid special attention to her students' mental health during growing years and has ensured that they have someone to reach out to by having their doubts about adolescence answered. A magician in grabbing attention of the fickle young minds with her abundant energy and captivating stories in the classroom, Ms. Kokate did not let the lockdown come in the way of being there for her students.



She took Google Meet platform to speak to 36 students of Std. VIII studying in Anjuman I Islam High School on the topic of Respect under the Joy of Living Programme.

With guidance from Mrs. Shahani, Ms. Kokate was able to reach out to over 100 students of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhlakshi Vidyalaya, Kandivali, to remind them about the importance of Unity and Respect through her stories.



FIVE | POC SO TEAM

India has one of the largest proportions of population in the younger age groups in the world. Over 35% of the population of the country has been found to be in the age group of 0-14 years. As per the 2011 census, 41% of the population account for under the age of 18 years. With schools closing and our incapacity to work on the ground during the pandemic, we felt that the connection between different stakeholders and their focus on child safety was losing, and at the same time the number of child sexual abuse cases saw an increase during the lockdown.

The POC SO team has been dealing with cases related to POC SO by:

- ✓ Assisting family of a child sexual harassment victim in filing of the FIR at Worli Police Station
- ✓ Counseling of the victim and her mother

In the month of April Sexual Assault Awareness Month was observed under the programme PCGT Justice for All. During this time online pledges to stand against sexual harassment were taken while engaging people in conversations about safety of women and young girls on the streets.

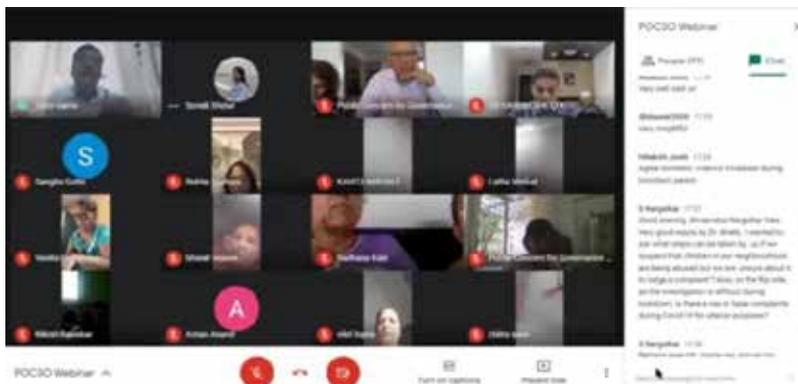




It is rightly said that awareness is the key but our team feels that focused awareness among the stakeholders of the safety of our children is a more effective way to protect the children.

The physical and psychological health of the child, including their capacity to reach out to the parents and/or teachers, is dependent on the approach of the latter as well as the environment at home. The first group of stakeholders we always bank on are the teachers; we were able to successfully engage over a 100 BMC school principals and teachers in our efforts to make them aware of the law and empower them with tools to ensure safety of their students.

In these efforts we invited renowned psychologist Dr. Harish Shetty to speak during our Panel Discussion: Safety of Children against Sexual Offences During Lockdown to them about the importance of mental wellness of the parents and teachers which directly affect the behaviour of the child and changes his emotional health. We also had Mr. Yatin Game, Secretary of District Legal Services Authority, Mumbai to update us on the court procedure being followed for cases related to POCSO Act during the lockdown.





KUCHH AUR

French poet Victor Hugo once said: “He who opens a school door closes a prison”. Education is one of the most powerful tools one can use to change the world. While the school doors closed for the children of the world, PCGT, through its initiative of Kuchh Aur reached out to children through technology, into their homes to make a difference by teaching them values that were necessary in their day to day life being where they were.

The Kuchh Aur sessions reached out to students of various schools and communities in Mumbai and beyond. Kids can now reach out beyond the walls of their class-rooms to interact with other children, other teachers and renowned experts and personalities to enhance their learning. We have seen that traditional education is very Pop down, heavy handed – sit down and read, be quiet, don’t ask questions, type.

The Kuchh Aur sessions via its own curriculum allowed the students to move away from rote learning and tackle real world challenges and develop solutions for them.

The journey was indeed wonderful as it gave an opportunity to touch more than 3695 students through 122 online sessions with schools and communities. It was a year filled with lots of joy, happiness, memories and learning. There were difficulties and challenges during the year but together we all faced it, fought it, won it and enjoyed it. Together we worked with school students even when schools were shut. We worked in communities when community NGOs and CBOs (Community Based Organizations) were not working physically. We coordinated with schools, NGOs and CBOs to connect with students online and it paid off very well. We extended the number of classes, where before we used to work with only Std. VI, VII and VIII, this year we got involved with students of Std. IV, V, IX and X as well, which evolved throughout the year with the support of schools, NGOs and CBOs. Overall, the year was very productive in terms of building relationship with students, guiding them, building relationship with their parents and family members during these tough times, helping them adjust with new normal, helping community students adapt technology for education by online classes and webinars. Through these online webinars and sessions we were able to imbibe values into their lives.

Some of the Values that were covered were :

- Acceptance * Love
- Appreciation * Music and Movement
- Balance * Nature
- Compassion * Optimism
- Creativity * Peace



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- Curiosity * Poise
- Equality * Relationship
- Health & Hygiene * Respect
- Honesty * Responsibility
- Humour * Smile
- Kindness * The Joy of Living
- Knowing Ourselves * Time
- Leadership * Unity
- Learning

Through these topics we taught them various life lessons and stressed on how we have to be compassionate to others by helping, sharing and caring. Peace is the one topic that received a tremendous response; it allowed students to understand their negative thoughts. Inculcating the habit of taking a pause and thinking positive thoughts like your passion, hobbies, etc. was the biggest take-away from the session.

Through these sessions students shared their hobbies and also sent us their drawings. Many students made Thank You cards and gave them to local shopkeepers to show their gratitude for the service they provide.

We feel so blessed to have the opportunity to connect to these enthusiastic students through these sessions, despite the lockdown.

The objective of our sessions was to make students more compassionate towards self, their family, and peer group, society and the nation at large. By using role play and interacting with them through discussions, the idea was to build their confidence not just in front of their class but adults too. Team work encouraged the students and they worked in pairs and groups and became more confident to interact with each other. Videos, power point presentations and songs related to the topics were also used and implemented. We are sure that these sessions have given the students confidence to be better citizens in the society.

The Kuchh Aur Programme also extended to communities in Nerul, Rabale and Jui Nagar. Every week children were exposed to different sessions on being responsible citizens.

The Interns played an important role in sharing their expertise and knowledge with all the members of the community and in schools under the Kuchh Aur program.

From reviewing films on Peace, to making posters for PCGT events, the Interns participated in all activities of Kuchh Aur.



Sessions with Smt. Sulochanadevi Singhania School

We conducted four online sessions with students of Singhania High School on “Attitude decides your Altitude”. More than 48 students took part in each session. The sessions were interactive and students shared their views and also their obstacles. The value Attitude covers React, Respond, Direct, Think, Accept and Lead.



Mentorship Programme

“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader”.

PCGT in its initiative to engage young students, introduced the Mentorship Programme from 1st October, 2020, for Std. VIII to XII under their project of KUCHH AUR. The students were made aware about the role of the mentor and the mentee. Besides being a role model the mentor would also be a good listener which would help the mentor to obtain feedback on the progress that the mentees were making and also listen to their issues, problems and concerns, if any.

As all the schools were under lockdown we focused on four schools whose students would go through the programme. 50 students from Pragnya Bodhini High School, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhalakshi Vidyalaya, Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanawala Girls High School and Purshotam High School, all belonging to the State Board, Mumbai, have been a part of this Mentorship Programme that is going on through Zoom and Google links. We wish to thank the Principals Ms. Seema Shaikh, Mr. Sunil Patel, Dr. Sangeeta Srivastava, Ms. Saba Patel, Ms. Prema Kotian.

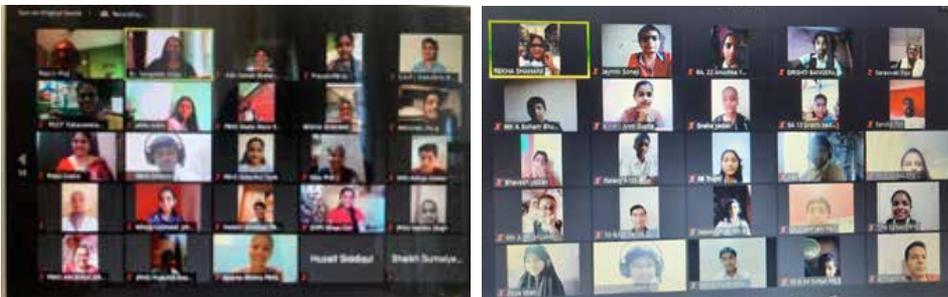
The purpose of starting this program was to encourage the students who were forced to be indoors to find their calling through the sessions which exposed them to different individuals who are experts in their field, sharing their knowledge & expertise. This in turn would help the students to find their own purpose in life. Interacting with students from different schools was an effective way for these students to learn various skills, communication being one of them. Some of the sessions that were held under the mentorship program were oral communication skills,



relationships, leadership, music movement, SMART goals (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time bound), ethics, governance and lessons in responsible citizenship. They were also taught the SWOT analysis. We thank Mr. Paul Machado and Mrs. Anjum Panna for taking sessions with the Mentees and interacting at length with them.

Trustees of PCGT, Mr. M. R. Reddy and Mr. V. P. Raja took a session with them where the Mentees were exposed to the life of a police officer and an IAS officer. Questions kept pouring in for both the speakers by the students and it was indeed heartening to see them interacting without any inhibition.

We would like to thank Tamanna Meghrajani, Ketayun Mistry and Aditya Bharadwaj from Government Law College, for conducting sessions with the Mentees on 'Relationship'. Focus was on self, family, healthy, unhealthy, abusive practices, setting boundaries and conflict resolution. These were conducted in three sessions.



Session with Mentees

Vigilance Week

Vigilance Awareness Week (VAW) is observed by the Central Vigilance Commission every year in the last week of October to emphasize the importance of integrity in public life. The Central Vigilance Commission encourages various stakeholders to participate in the VAW so they can spread this message across in their own capacity.

In view of the same, PCGT Trustee Ms. Rekha Shahani conducted a wonderful session for the mentees of PCGT from 4 schools along with Mr. Prabhakar Vartak (Secretary, Initiative of Change (IofC), India), Dr. Ratna Magotra, Ex Trustee PCGT and Mrs. Jyoti Tanna (Founder and Trustee, Each One Teach One) who all shared their experience as an active and vigilant member of society. They all shared their stories on how they actively avoided corruption in their respective fields, as well as raised their voice against it as and when they came across it.

Rekha Shahani shared her experience as a vigilant principal of Kamala High School who didn't budge in front of the authorities at the Education Department who expected her to get involved in unethical practices.



Prabhakar Vartak shared the importance of living in harmony and how one must have a vigilant outlook not just for the society but also for oneself.

Jyoti Tanna shared her experiences on how she came across corruption while running her NGO: Each One Teach One and how she fought against it and didn't lose her focus.

Dr. Ratna who is a surgeon shed light upon how corruption is practiced in the medical field. She encouraged the students to use masks correctly for better prevention of the spread of COVID-19.

In totality, this session was filled with a lot of knowledge and a touch of humour. It was attended by 50 students & SNTD Interns.



Attending a Vigilance Week Session

SESSIONS WITH THE MENTEES





Podar International SSC Section – Training of Principal & Teachers

'The Joy of Living' which is the theme of our sessions this academic year, also reached out to the teachers of various schools. A special module comprising of 5 sessions was conducted for the principal and staff of Podar International SSC section. The subtopics under the theme were as follows:

1. The Joy of Living is in the Joy of Giving,
2. Peace - a way of life
3. Nature - our best friend
4. Music and unity
5. Knowing ourselves

Various educators and friends from different backgrounds and countries were invited to speak to these teachers and share their experiences. Dr. Sangeeta Srivastava shared her experience and expertise on music, Mrs. Vijayam Kartha shared her expertise & experience during the session on nature, our best friend Ms. Ada Mackay, a retired teacher from Australia spoke to the students of Std. X sharing with them about life in her country. The sessions involved anecdotes, stories, quiet time, reflection and a lot of sharing. The teachers were encouraged to write down their blessings in the gratitude journal.



Participants at a session



Pragnya Bodhini High School, Goregaon, Mumbai.

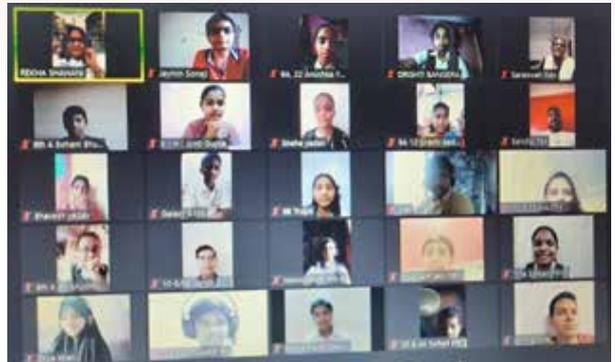
6 module sessions were held for the students of Standard X of Pragnya Bodhini High School, Goregaon, Mumbai. Under the Joy of Living, the sub themes that were covered were:

- Joy of Living : The Leader in You
- Joy of Living : Dreams Matter
- Joy of Living : I can make a difference



- Joy of Living : Communication - A Way of Life
- Joy of Living : Enjoying the Rules

A session was also conducted on the Importance of 2nd October which happens to be the birthday of two important Indian leaders, Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri. The 7 “S” of Mahatma Gandhi, i.e. Satyagraha, Seva, Sarvodaya, Swaraj, Simplicity, Swadeshi and Sabarmati was spoken about. The slogan of ‘Jai Jawan, Jai Kissan’ given by the second Prime Minister of India, and stories from his life were highlighted.



Students listening attentively to Mrs. Rekha Shahani

S. M. Shetty High School

In June 2021 the ‘Joy of Living’ session was held with students of Std. X where 49 students attended the session on zoom platform. The session was conducted by our trustee Mrs. Rekha Shahani. The Joy of Living means giving. It's about how much joy we get when we give to others, helping unknown faces, thanking everyone for their help, thanking family members for what they do for us, thanking all those who work for the betterment of society. The session also shared about the value of time and finding happiness and enjoying what we do, developing self confidence, faith and trust which are very important in life.



Some participants of S.M. Shetty School

Discussed about STOP.

Smile, Thanks to God, Opportunity, Pray (STOP).

Details of Total No. of Sessions and Participants

Sr. No.	School / Community	No. of Participants	No. of Sessions	Month
1	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhlakshi Vidyalaya, Kandivali	200	4	June 2020
2	Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanwala Girl's High School, Bandra (Anjuma I Islam)	150	4	
3	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar - Children of the World Community session	180	8	



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4	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhlakshi Vidyalaya, Kandivali	190	4	July 2020
5	Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanwala Girl's High School, Bandra (Anjuma I Islam)	120	4	
6	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	185	8	
7	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhlakshi Vidyalaya, Kandivali	200	4	August 2020
8	Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanwala Girl's High School, Bandra (Anjuma I Islam)	140	4	
9	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	180	8	
10	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhlakshi Vidyalaya, Kandivali	210	4	September 2020
11	Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanwala Girl's High School, Bandra (Anjuma I Islam)	160	4	
12	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar- Children of the World Community	190	8	
13	Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Vividhlakshi Vidyalaya, Kandivali	220	4	October 2020
14	Dr. Mohammed Ishaq Jamkhanwala Girl's High School, Bandra (Anjuma I Islam)	130	4	
15	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	190	8	
16	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	210	8	November 2020
17	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	200	8	December 2020
18	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	230	9	January 2021
19	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	190	8	February 2021
20	Nerul / Rabale / Jui-Nagar – Children of the World Community	220	9	March 2021
TOTAL		3695	122	



Some participants of online sessions



YOUTH FOR GOVERNANCE (YFG)

WEBINARS ORGANIZED BY PCGT

Apart from the work carried out during lockdown, PCGT organised the following webinars in collaboration with various colleges:

1. PCGT, together with St. Andrews College, organized a webinar on 6th Oct., 2020, on the topic "Substance Abuse During Lockdown". Dr. Harish Shetty, a well known psychiatrist was the guest speaker for the webinar. More than 300 students actively participated virtually. Dr. Shetty spoke on the mental stress on young students, explained the different kinds of drug abuse and informed the students to be prepared to fight this long menace with motivation and support at any stage of life.



*Dr. Shetty addressing the audience
With Mr. Ribeiro looking on*



The rapt audience

2. A webinar was conducted by SIES College of Commerce and Arts along with PCGT on 22nd October, 2020, on the topic "Imbibing Ethical Values for Joy & Success in Life". PCGT's Founder Trustee Dr. R. K. Anand was the guest speaker for the webinar. 200 participants from different colleges across Mumbai joined the virtual meeting. Dr. Anand explained to the students about communal harmony. He shared his life's experience on honesty, forgiveness and empathy towards human beings. He also asked students to focus on 4 major values purity, honesty, unselfishness & love. It was very well received by the students.



Dr. Anand addressing the audience



3. On 27th November, 2020, P.C.G.T. in collaboration with VK Krishna Menon College of Science and Arts, conducted a webinar on the subject “Technological Development in India vis-à-vis Social welfare”. Mr. Mahesh Zagade, IAS Retd. as well as Advisory Board Member of PCGT Pune, was the chief speaker for the webinar. He spoke on technology and social welfare. He said they both go hand in hand. He spoke of human evolution, corporates controlling human resources and corporate driven social welfare. It was a very interesting webinar attended by 450 students from across Mumbai and Pune.



Mr. Zagade addressing the audience

4. A workshop cum webinar was conducted by PCGT in collaboration with Lala Lajpatrai College of Commerce and Economics on 30th November 2020. The topic for the workshop was “Power of Now”. Mrs. Rekha Shahani, PCGT Trustee, was the guest speaker for the program. 80 students attended the workshop. The webinar was very well received as it was made student friendly. It was a very interactive session. Students shared their problems with the speaker on their personal chat. This was then resolved by the speaker who answered all their apprehensions.



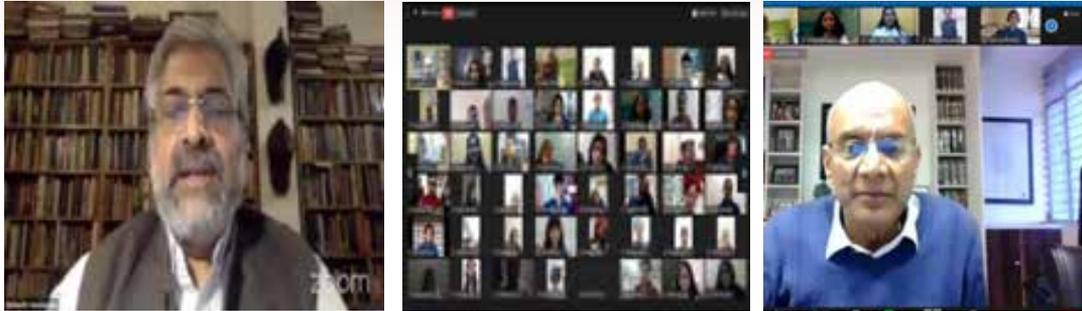
Mrs. Rekha Shahani conducting nose activity with students

Two major webinars were conducted by PCGT in the month of December 2020.

1. Role of Journalism in a democracy by Mr. Siddharth Varadarajan, Founding Editor, The Wire, on 8th December, 2020. This was held in collaboration with HR college of Commerce and Economics. More than 500 students attended the program.
2. Human Rights in India by Adv. Colin Gonsalves, Senior advocate, Supreme Court of India on Dec 10th observing International Human Rights Day. This was in association with Hinduja College. More than 1200 students attended the webinar from different colleges of Mumbai, Raigad, Thane and Palghar.



SOME PICS OF THE WEBINARS ORGANIZED BY PCGT



(from left to Right) Mr. Siddharth Varadarajan, The Rapt Audience and Mr. Colin Gonsalves.



Dr. Menaka Guruswamy talking about the Social Reality of Caste & Feudalism vs. The Constitution of India & the Rule of Law on Oct. 2, 2020



Ms. Faye D'Souza enlightening the audience on Freedom of Press on Oct. 15, 2020



Ms. Kavitha Iyer speaking at the Webinar on Fake News in the Digital Era on Oct. 24, 2020



Mr. Neel Duttaroy speaking about Educational Reforms in India on Nov. 12, 2020



Dr. Rashmi Oza deliberating on Human Rights on Nov. 25, 2020



Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd.) Madan B. Lokur addressing the audience on Constitutional Governance on Nov. 26, 2020



Dr. Harish Shetty regaling the students on the Effects of COVID-19 on Mental Health of Students on Nov. 28, 2020



Group Screenshot after Mr. Shailesh Gandhi's Webinar on Transparency in Governance with special reference to RTI on Nov. 4, 2020



Hon'ble Mr. Justice G. S. Patel at the Webinar on 'A Vision for Virtual Courts' on Dec. 26, 2020



Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd.) R. C. Chavan addressing the students on 'A Vision for Virtual Courts' on Dec. 26, 2020



LEADERSHIP PROJECTS

(Trustee In-charge: Mr. V. P. Raja)

Campus Ambassadors Programme

In furtherance to its vision and mission, PCGT launched the Campus Ambassadors Programme in July 2019 to involve young college-going students in Mumbai and Pune in projects related to good governance and hone their leadership skills. In 2020-21, i.e. the second year of the Campus Ambassadors Programme, 34 students were selected as PCGT Campus Ambassadors in their respective institutions in Mumbai for a period of 12 months i.e. from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

The Campus Ambassadors play a crucial role in promoting the vision and mission of PCGT in their respective institutions and serve as a strategic link between PCGT and their institution. Each Campus Ambassador is required to organize events for PCGT such as dialogues, workshops, conferences and seminars etc. at his/her institution. Minimum two such events are compulsorily required to be organized by each Campus Ambassador during the 12-month tenure of the programme. The Campus Ambassadors are free to suggest relevant themes, topics as well as speakers for such events based on institutional and student body requirements and in sync with the mission statement of PCGT.

Due to the restrictions imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Campus Ambassadors organized the events virtually. The following webinars / virtual sessions were organized by PCGT under the Campus Ambassadors Programme from April 2020 to March 2021, witnessing participation from students across the country:

Title of Webinar	Date	Speaker(s)	No. of Attendees
Indian Polity (Instagram Live)	April 10, 2020	Mr. Aditya Lele (Founder, Bharat Bhagya Vidhata)	50
The Importance of Youth Parliaments (Instagram Live)	April 12, 2020	Mr. Miheer Jain (Founder, Liberalex)	40
Indian Parliamentary Procedure (Instagram Live)	April 14, 2020	Mr. Ishaan Joshi (Founder, Statesmanship Programme)	60
Right to Information	May 16, 2020	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi (Former Central Information Commissioner - CIC)	50
Indian Parliamentary Procedure	May 22, 2020	Mr. Ishaan Joshi (Founder, Statesmanship Programme)	70
Judicial backlogs can become history	May 23, 2020	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi (Former CIC)	50



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Improving Interpersonal Relations	June 5, 2020	Mr. V. P. Raja (Trustee, PCGT)	50
Health of Democracy and Economy in the Pre-COVID World	June 7, 2020	Mr. Mahesh Zagade (Ex-IAS)	25 (2.5k on Mr. Zagade's Facebook Live)
#TimelyJusticeDelivery can happen in India	June 20, 2020	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi (Former CIC)	50
Why Police does not file FIRs: Burking	June 21, 2020	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi (Former CIC)	30
Introduction to E-NYP (Instagram Live)	June 23, 2020	Ms. Shreya Yadav and Ms. Nandini Shenai (Vice Presidents, PCGT NYP)	30
Police Reforms in India	June 29, 2020	Mr. J. F. Ribeiro (Chairman)	100
PCGT NYP 2020	August 1 and 2 2020	Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd.) Madan B. Lokur	150
Draft EIA Notification 2020	August 19, 2020	Ms. Sumaira Abdulali (Founder, Awaaz Foundation)	80
Relevance of Ethics and Values in Personal and Professional Life	August 21, 2020	Mr. V. P. Raja	200
Leadership Development and Team Building	August 24, 2020	Mr. J. F. Ribeiro (Chairman, PCGT) and Mr. V. P. Raja	140
Ethics and Professional Standards in a Modern Law Firm	August 30, 2020	Mr. Pratik Pawar (Partner, JSA), Ms. Shanaya Cyrus Irani (Principal Associate, JSA) and Mr. Siddhesh Pradhan (Associate, JSA)	250
Role of Civil Servants in ensuring Good Governance	Sept. 8, 2020	Mr. M. R. Reddy (Trustee, PCGT) and Mr. V. P. Raja	170
Right to Information: Path to Swaraj	Sept. 27, 2020	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi	80
Importance of Youth Parliaments	Oct. 1, 2020	Adv. Shivam Jain Kakadia	100



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The Social Reality of Caste & Feudalism vs. the Constitution of India & the Rule of Law: Questions from the Hathras Event in U.P.	Oct. 2, 2020	Dr. Menaka Guruswamy (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India)	300
Sexual Harassment of Children: Why we need to pay attention Now!	Oct. 10, 2020	Adv. Sonali Shelar	100
Freedom of Press	Oct. 15, 2020	Ms. Faye D'Souza (Independent Journalist)	300
Fake News in the Digital Era	Oct. 24, 2020	Ms. Kavitha Iyer (Independent Journalist)	250
Fourth Industrial Revolution	Nov. 2, 2020	Mr. Mahesh Zagade (Ex-IAS)	200
Transparency in Governance with special reference to RTI	Nov. 4, 2020	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi (Former CIC)	200
Right to Information	Nov. 7, 2020	Adv. Arjun Kadam	100
Educational Reforms in India	Nov. 12, 2020	Mr. Neel Duttaroy (Fellowship Recruitment Manager, Teach For India)	250
Ethics in Legal Profession	Nov. 20, 2020	Mr. Mihir Desai (Senior Counsel, Bombay High Court)	150
Human Rights	Nov. 25, 2020	Dr. Rashmi Oza (Former Head of Dept. of Law, University of Mumbai)	150
Democracy and the Rule of Law	Nov. 26, 2020	Adv. Shivam Jain Kakadia	100
Constitutional Governance	Nov. 26, 2020	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Madan B. Lokur (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India)	250
The Effect of COVID-19 on Mental Health of Students	Nov. 28, 2020	Dr. Harish Shetty (Leading Psychiatrist)	120
LGBTQ+ Rights in India	Dec. 1, 2020	Mr. Akshat Agarwal (Research Fellow, Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy)	175



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A Vision for Virtual Courts	Dec. 26, 2020	Hon'ble Justice Shri R.C. Chavan (Vice-Chairperson, Supreme Court e-Committee and Former Judge, Bombay High Court) and Hon'ble Justice Shri G.S. Patel (Judge, Bombay High Court)	200
Diluting Public Trust in Judicial System in the World's Largest Democracy - Pendency Crosses Four Crore Mark!	Jan. 10, 2021	Hon'ble Justice Shri M. N. Venkatachaliah (Former Chief Justice of India)	130
Virtual Courts for Efficient Justice Delivery	Jan. 23, 2021	Hon'ble Justice Shri B. N. Srikrishna (Former Judge, Supreme Court of India) and Hon'ble Justice Shri Rajiv Lochan Mehrotra (Former Judge, Allahabad High Court)	120
Changing Dynamics of Bureaucracy in Democracy	Feb.1, 2021	Mr. J. F. Ribeiro (Chairman Emeritus, PCGT) and Mr. V. P. Raja (Chairman, PCGT)	150
Right to Information (RTI)	Feb. 6, 2021	Mr. Shailesh Gandhi (Former CIC)	100
Right to Services (RTS)	Feb. 11, 2021	Mr. D. S. Ranga Rao (RTI Advisor, PCGT)	100
Virtual Session on Indian Polity and Governance (Instagram Live)	Feb. 13, 2021	Mr. Aditya Lele (Founder, Bharat Bhagya Vidhata)	25
Importance of Leadership and Team Building in Civil Services	Feb. 15, 2021	Mr. V. P. Raja (Chairman, PCGT)	140
Road Safety Awareness	Feb. 17, 2021	Mr. Mahesh Zagade (Ex-IAS)	150
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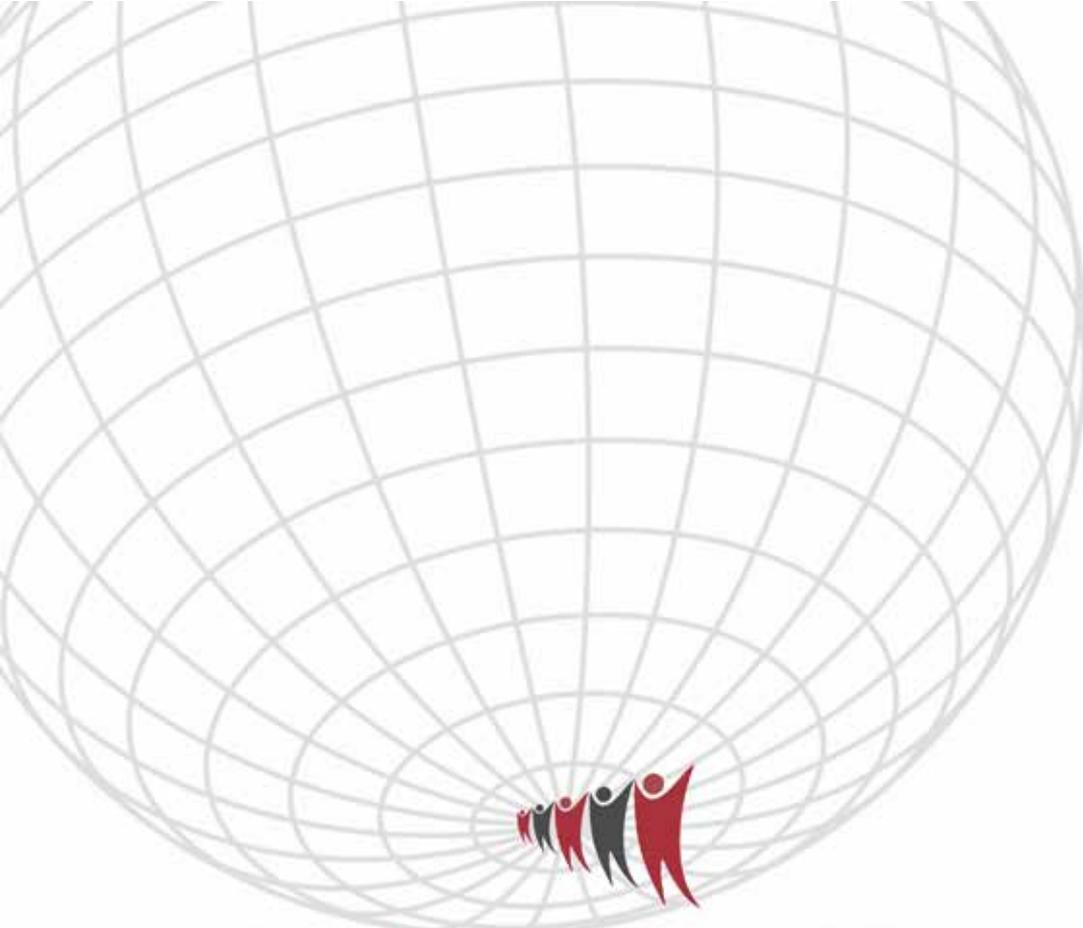
Webinar on Relevance of Ethics and Values in Personal and Professional Life by Mr. V. P. Raja (August 21, 2020)



Webinar on Police Reforms in India by Mr. J. F. Ribeiro (June 29, 2020)



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