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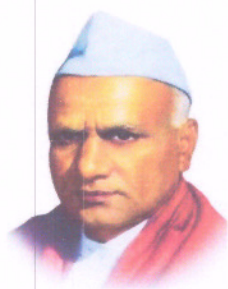
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Internal Quality Assurance Cell
2025-2026
Quality Initiatives/ Activities Report



1. **Name of Department:** Zoology
2. **Name of Organized Activity:** Study Tour of M.Sc. I (Zoology) at Vengurla, Malvan, Devgad
3. **Date/ Duration:** 07/03/2026 to 09/03/2026, 9.45

4. **Aims and Objectives:**

Aim: To provide students with practical exposure to molecular biology techniques, linking theoretical knowledge with laboratory applications in research and industry.

Objectives:

1. To study the marine and coastal fauna present along the seashores of Vengurla and Malvan.
2. To observe different intertidal animals such as molluscs, crustaceans, echinoderms, fishes and other marine organisms.
3. To understand the habitat and ecological distribution of marine animals in sandy and rocky shores.
4. To study the adaptations of marine organisms to tidal changes, salinity and wave action.

5. **No. of beneficiaries:**

Sr. No.	Teachers (01)		Students (08)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
1	01	00	02	06	09

6. **Expenditure & funding agency:** NA

7. **Brief description:**

The Department of Zoology, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur, organized a Study Tour for M.Sc. Part-I (Zoology) students to the coastal regions of Vengurla, Malvan, and Devgad from 07th March 2026 to 09th March 2026. A total of 18 students participated in the tour along with faculty members. The tour was conducted under the guidance of Tour Incharge Mr. Ganesh Fadake

During the visit, students explored the seashore ecosystems of Vengurla and Malvan, which are known for their rich marine biodiversity. The tour provided an opportunity to observe various

intertidal and coastal marine organisms in their natural habitats. Students studied different groups of animals such as molluscs, crustaceans, echinoderms, fishes, and other marine fauna found along the sandy and rocky shores.

The field visit also helped students understand the habitat conditions and ecological distribution of marine animals in coastal environments. They observed how organisms are adapted to tidal fluctuations, salinity changes, and wave action. The study tour provided valuable exposure to marine biodiversity, coastal ecology, and the behavior of intertidal organisms, thereby linking classroom knowledge with real field observations.

8. Outcomes:

1. Students gained practical knowledge of marine and coastal fauna found along the seashores of Vengurla and Malvan.
2. They developed an understanding of the habitat, distribution, and ecological adaptations of intertidal marine organisms.
3. The tour enhanced students' field observation skills and knowledge of marine biodiversity and coastal ecosystems.

9. Photos:



10. Signatures of coordinator/ organizer:



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PERMISSION LETTER

Department of Zoology
Date: 04/03/2026

To,
The Principal
Vivekanand College, Kolhapur
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Subject: Subject: Permission for Organising Study Tour to Vengurla & Malvan for M.Sc. I Students

Respected Sir,

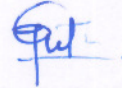
With reference to above subject, Department of Zoology Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute) is going to arrange the study tour to the Vengurla & Malvan for the students of M.Sc. I on Saturday, 7th March to 9th March 2026. This visit is part of syllabus which included in practical of M.Sc.-I. For that kindly requesting you to grant permission

Thanking you.

Enclosure:

List of Students and Faculty

Yours faithfully,

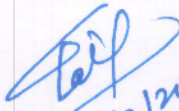


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- भरून घेणे
२) वाहन व वाहने चालकांची
कागदपत्रे इ. शहाजिशा करावी.


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NOTICE

All the students of **M.Sc.-I (Zoology)** are hereby informed that the Department of Zoology has organized a **study tour** as part of the academic curriculum. The tour will be conducted from **07/03/2026 to 09/03/2026**. The study tour will include visits to **Vengurla, Malvan, and Devgad**. All students are expected to participate in the tour. Students must follow the instructions given by the tour in-charge and maintain discipline during the tour. For further details, contact the Department of Zoology.



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Study Tour to Vengurla & Malvan for M.Sc. I Students (07/03/2026-09/03/2026)

Sr. No.	Roll No.	Name of the Student& Faculty	Class
1.	1001	Abrange Vaishnavi Vinod	M.Sc-I
2.	1002	Bhise Raviraj Nemaji	M.Sc-I
3.	1003	Chavan Devendra Somnath	M.Sc-I
4.	1004	Chougule Sapana Anil	M.Sc-I
5.	1005	Dindayal Probodhini Raju	M.Sc-I
6.	1006	Gaikwad Manisha Gautam	M.Sc-I
7.	1007	Kamble Rutuja Vishal	M.Sc-I
8.	1009	Mujawar Benzir Muneer	M.Sc-I
9.	Faculty	Fadake Ganesh Haribhau	Tour Incharge



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**Study Tour- M.Sc. I Study Tour to Vengurla, Malvan, Devgad
(07/03/2026-09/03/2026)**

The Department of Zoology, Vivekanand College, Kolhapur, organized a study tour for M.Sc. Part-I (Zoology) students to the coastal regions of Vengurla, Malvan, and Devgad from 07th March 2026 to 09th March 2026. A total of 8 students participated in the tour along with faculty members under the guidance of Tour Incharge Mr. G. H. Fadake. The study tour began from the college gate at 6:00 AM on 07th March 2026. The first halt was at Ramtirth Temple, where students visited the temple and briefly observed the surrounding natural environment. After the visit, the group continued the journey and reached Redi Ganpati Mandir at around 2:00 PM, which is located close to the coastal region.

After visiting the temple, the group proceeded to Khawane Beach, where students conducted field observations related to marine biodiversity. They studied the intertidal zone, which is influenced by tidal movements and wave action. During the field observation, students identified several marine invertebrates such as molluscs (gastropods and bivalves), crustaceans (crabs and hermit crabs), echinoderms (sea stars and sea urchins), and small marine fishes inhabiting the sandy and rocky shores. They also observed various adaptive features such as shells, spines, burrowing behavior, and camouflage, which help organisms survive in fluctuating conditions of salinity, temperature, and tides. The group stayed overnight near Khawane Beach.

On 08th March 2026, the group started early in the morning and travelled to Nivati Beach, where they visited the Nivati Lighthouse and observed the coastal landscape and marine habitats. Later the group travelled to Malvan, where they visited the historic Sindhudurg Fort and Rajkot Fort. Students also explored the Rock Garden, where rocky shores provided opportunities to observe barnacles, oysters, limpets, crabs, and marine algae associated with coastal ecosystems. Observations continued until about 9:00 PM, after which the group proceeded to Kunkeshwar for night stay.

On 09th March 2026, early in the morning, students visited Kunkeshwar Beach and the famous Kunkeshwar Temple. During the visit, students continued their study of coastal and marine biodiversity, observing the distribution and ecological adaptations of marine organisms in sandy and rocky habitats. The tour helped students understand important zoological concepts such as intertidal zonation, ecological adaptation, marine biodiversity, and coastal ecosystem

dynamics. At around 4:00 PM, the group started the return journey and reached Kolhapur. Overall, the study tour provided valuable hands-on field experience in marine zoology, enabling students to connect theoretical knowledge with real field observations.



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