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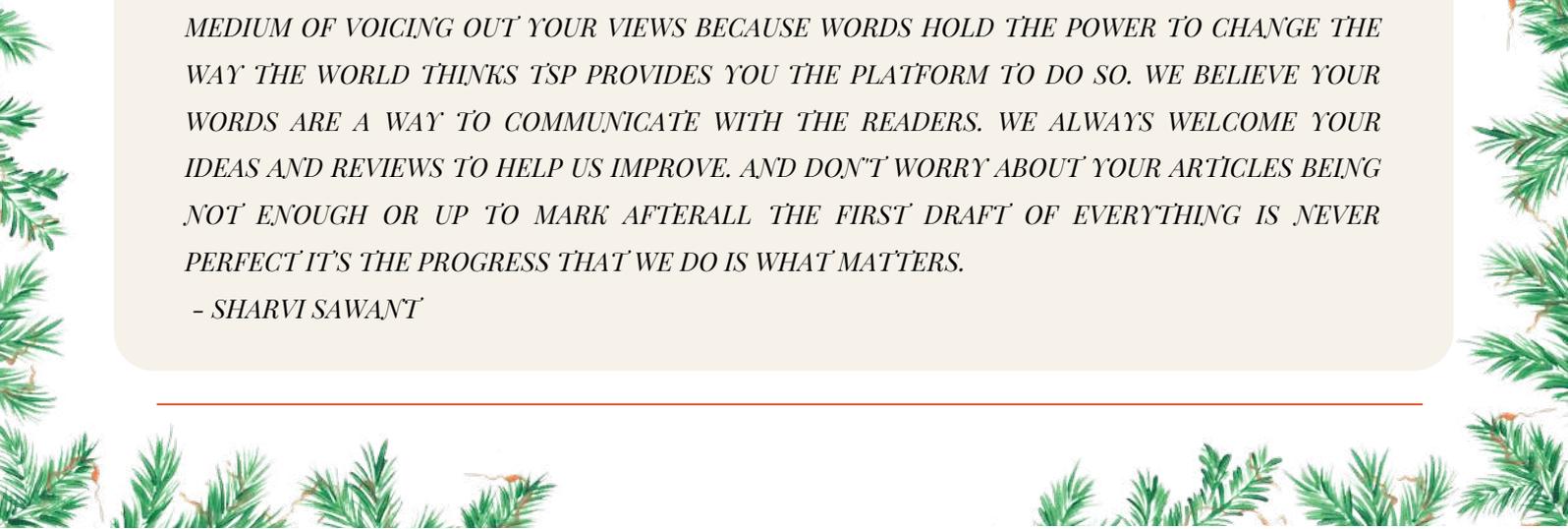


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DEAR READERS,

TSP SHORT FOR 'THE STUDENT PRESS' NOW YOU MIGHT BE WONDERING WHAT'S THIS? THIS IS A MONTHLY MAGAZINE WHEREIN WE BRING YOUR WORDS IN FORM OF ARTICLES TO THE READERS. TSP WORKS WITH THE MOTIVE TO CREATE A PLATFORM FOR ALL THOSE ASPIRING WRITERS AND STUDENTS WHO HOLD A PASSION FOR WORDS. IF YOU FIND WORDS AS A MEDIUM OF VOICING OUT YOUR VIEWS BECAUSE WORDS HOLD THE POWER TO CHANGE THE WAY THE WORLD THINKS TSP PROVIDES YOU THE PLATFORM TO DO SO. WE BELIEVE YOUR WORDS ARE A WAY TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE READERS. WE ALWAYS WELCOME YOUR IDEAS AND REVIEWS TO HELP US IMPROVE. AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR ARTICLES BEING NOT ENOUGH OR UP TO MARK AFTERALL THE FIRST DRAFT OF EVERYTHING IS NEVER PERFECT IT'S THE PROGRESS THAT WE DO IS WHAT MATTERS.

- SHARVI SAWANT



Kar Har Maidan Fateh

Hello Readers, welcome back to another issue of Kar Har Maidan Fateh in today's issue we are going to talk to Dr. Balaji Kamble who is the Principal of Chinai college of Commerce and Economics.

Everyone has their own struggles and hardships that they face. So, what struggles did you overcome from a student to where you are now?

I am from a middle-class family. I was born and brought up in a very remote Area which is in Marathwada. So naturally, my education was in Zilla Parishad high school. From there I started my journey. After my school education, I went to the district place for my further education. There I was admitting in a hostel. In 1986 got pass my SSC examination after which I enrolled into a reputed college for Junior college and for Degree College too. Went through lot of struggles throughout my educational term but I had determined & ambitious to be something which motivated me to learn something to reach at this position. So, with that determination and with help of several people, friends, & my professors, Support and guidelines I could learn how to prepare and make my career during my college years. During college period only started preparing for my MPSC and UPSC examinations and I succeed there in within a year or two years. I passed MPSC prelim but unfortunately, I could not succeed in main exam. Then in the year 1993 I passed my master degree and came to Mumbai in search of job and join the lecture ship in Elphinstone College Mumbai during 1993 and started developing from there onwards. I did my B. ED during my professorship and from there I went to MCC Mulund and in 1999 I join to Shri. Chinai College. Since then till today I am working with zeal energetic way not only in teaching but also in other activities along with NSS. I took a lot of effort to improve myself and completed my PhD during 2011. And during this period, I utilized every opportunity to join this position where I am today. So, this is my journey. It was hard work that got me through. And I got this success.

What motivates you to give your best to the teachers' students, and the college?

Our Chinai College had some bad patches during 2008 to till 2014. Although! Believed somewhere the good days will return. During that period there were many ups and downs. Most of our faculty had to leave while the strength of the students had lessened down and during this situation, I received a chance to become the principal since from 2016-17. As soon as took the charge of college, I thought about what changes I could make to improve the situation. I began to motivate the teachers that were present because at that time, most of the permanent faculties had left, which left us with several newcomers which was a challenge for me as the new commers had to be channelized.



They had to be brought in mainstream as when you are new you must introduce them to the system, about how things worked. They had to be made aware of what education field is, how the activities commence for the betterment. I examined of situation, and started motivating them. Right now, since 2016 till today, my goal is to keep on motivating the professor's by holding meetings with them from time to time, apart from our office meetings Informal meetings were arranged, I keep in touch with them and try to contact often through phones and keep on motivating them. But compared to the teacher's motivation, the students are of more importance. In today's situation the students are not much interested in study so it is a professor's responsibility to create that interest among the students. If students have that desires, ambitions, and expectations then they would receive a good education. I stress on finding out such students, who are lacking behind and are unable to cope up with the teaching methods. So that could help them out where they are lacking, provide them certain help so that they can cope up with and will brought at bar level. That were my intentions and accordingly along with the other staff members help we keep on motivating them to continue working on improving themselves and bridge the gap.

What are your future ideas and plans to flourish this college further?

Chinai college is a single faculty College that is Commerce and Economics. Within the field of Commerce, there's always new developments that come up.. I decided that the students should be made aware of the changes that are going to take place. And from that point of view, I am planning to run courses, which are known as Add-On courses, certification courses and some other courses. Besides this, I also have realised that nowadays there is a tough competition in the real world. From the view of government jobs, I have appointed one or two teachers who would look from View point of the government jobs like MPSC, UPSC, staff selection and any other government jobs related competitive exams. Then I decided that who will guide the students, in what way they conduct the exams, how the students can prepare for that, and which books are too referred for study etc. And accordingly instruct to professor to, make the students familiar with the topics and option that they have. We want to give our best to the students as once pass out from this college and recall their college memories they must realise that their college has taken a lot of efforts to make their life easier. This kind of sense we want to inculcate among students and from that point of view to the extent it is possible, we are taking all necessary steps.

You have seen a student who passed out a decade earlier and the students today. So, what differences have you noticed among them?

Ever since I joined the professorship till today, there has been a lot of variation among the students. The variation among the students will continue to happen year after year. But the most distinctive variations, you will find after the pandemic. If you looking at the students before and after the pandemic, there were certain habitual things which they have given up during the span for example, for reading books. Nowadays students do not have the kind of perspective, or are not willing to take the effort to simply read. I am a principal and when I engage into lectures and take lectures anywhere around 14-15 there, I find out that students have lost their tendency to read. They have limited themselves to only read the exam-oriented questions, preparation materials and books.

I make them understand that they are the students. And in a student's life you must read. No doubt today there are different digital devices which are making the material readily available. But that is not a true learning. Say, for example, you will find all the answers you need by simply typing on the Google and you will get the information. But the knowledge and happiness that you get, while reading the books, will not happen on the digital devices. So, this is the variation in their psychology. I think the students. Should always be associated with their books. Books gives us the added the detail knowledge. It provides the background for a particular term or topic and helps with their vocabulary. That does happen when you use a device to help you. That is to be developed among the students. That are my expectations. I always keep on insisting to my students that reading books is the best and gives you the added incentive. Unfortunately, the students are apposite of this.

What message would you like to give to the readers through our magazine?

I would like to give message to the readers that being a reader, they must have to be accompanied with the books. Keep on reading books, keep on acquiring the knowledge, even if they become a principal or high positioned personality still they are a student. So, every day something new is being discovered and that is to be learned. That should be the priority and I think this kind of activity of readers will update the students with reference to the new happenings around them. I would like to suggest them, that always be vested with the habit of reading. Then you would be the perfect and expert person in your respective field and ultimately in life.

-Sharvi Sawant & Omkar Redkar