



MSP Mandal's
Vinayakrao Patil Mahavidyalaya, Vaijapur
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REPORT

The College celebrated 'Journalist Day' on 6 December 2020, to mark the birth anniversary of Balshastri Jambhekar, the founder of journalism in Maharashtra. The prominent journalists from Vaijapur were invited and felicitated on this occasion. Dr. U. V. Panchal, Principal, Vinayakrao Patil Mahavidyalaya, Vaijapur, welcomed the journalists. In his introduction, he said that journalism is considered as the fourth pillar of democracy. The journalists were felicitated with bouquets by Dr. Panchal and Shri. Appasaheb Patil.

Shri. Dhondiram Singh Thakur, senior journalist, delivered a lecture on 'Life and Work of Balshastri Jambhekar'. He said that during the British Regime Press in India was under serious restrictions. Notwithstanding the pressure, great journalists like Lokmanya Tilak, Agarkar, Balshastri Jambhekar continued to voice their views through their newspapers. He realized that in order to attain freedom from the British Rule it was necessary to awaken the masses who were victims to age-old superstitions and lacked social unity. The speaker said that Balshastri Jambhekar is the father of Marathi Journalism. He was born on 6 Jan in Devgad. On 6 Jan 1832 he published the first issue of the newspaper 'Darpan' meaning Mirror. True to its name, Balshastri Jambhekar criticized irrational practices prevalent in Maharashtra. Especially his reformative views with regard to widow remarriage figured up in the issues of the newspaper. Shri. Appasaheb Patil, Member, CDC, lauded the efforts of the journalists in order to give a balanced view of the present day developments. He said that they represent a cross section of our society. While writing a news the journalists have to be very conscious because their statement may cause debates in the society. They enrich our lives by bringing analysis of events to us. Journalists and news reporters like Harsih Sabne, Faizal Patel, Dipak Barkase, Mobin Khan, Makrand Kulkarni, Deepak Thore, Kiran Rajput, Mr. Tribhiwan, Sawant were on the occasion. Dr. D. S. Salunke proposed the vote of Thanks.




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