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Varsity boys' hostels all set for makeover

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Kolhapur: The boys' hostels on the campus of the Shivaji University, Kolhapur (SUK) are all set for a stunning makeover with a new garden, freshly-painted walls and a new entry gate with the improved security features with the help of biometric machines.

The hostel entry from the upcoming semester will be restricted to the official students only and their thumb impressions will mark their presence with the help of biometric machines.

G B Kolekar, chief rector of the SUK boys' hostels, said the hostels have been given a makeover using resources made for it and the funds from the varsity. "A biometric machine will soon be installed in the single entry point gate of the university, which will facilitate a stricter security measure for the hostel. We already have three biometric machines installed for three hostel messes in the boys hostel premises, he said.

He added that all the rooms can accommodate two students per room; however, if both the residing students give consent, a third student can be allowed to stay in that room. Regular hostel fee of that semester is charged from such students. This has resulted in generating Rs 4 lakh fee and around 100-150 students have benefited.

"Earlier, we used to have many students staying illegally in the hostels without any fee or authority. As a way out, from last year onwards, we have let them stay in the few hostel vacant rooms by charging Rs 25 per day. This has resulted in generating funds of Rs 1.02 lakh," he said.

According to Kolekar, the fresh hand of paint to the hostels and the premises is being done from separate university funds. The availablity of guest rooms and temporary stay has resulted in responsible behaviour from the students too. They keep their premises clean and use the resources wisely.

The garden built in the hostel premises will be voluntarily maintained by a few hostel students. "These students are water the plants and maintaining and looking after them. We are going to appoint a separate person for the same from May 1, but students have taken it up on their own," he said.

Sanket Patil, first year MA Economics student, said the facilities in the hostels are more than satisfactory and they cannot wait to return once the vacation gets over. "From the water facility to the painted walls, almost everything has changed in the hostel premises. The biometric machines in the mess will keep a check on its use for that particular day," he said.

While Vaibhav Khot, a M Com first year student, said the new hostels did not any longer bear the look of a typical university hostel. "From the infrastructural facilities to the beautification of the buildings, the hostels can easily give a run for their money to the private hostels in the city. With the annual charge coming to somewhere Rs 3,500, it cannot get more affordable than this," he said.

After the pathetic condition of the boys' hostels was highlighted in 2013, the SUK's management council had given nod to carry out pending repairing works by sanctioning Rs 40 lakh. The university had then set a deadline of six months for executing works such as water-proofing and electric re-wiring and improving basic facilities.

However, in 2015, the three hostels continued to be plagued with open electricity chambers, filthy water, broken windows, bed bugs, parasites, water leakages and superficial cleanliness.

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SHEDDING OLD WEAR

The three boys' hostels on the Shivaji University, Kolhapur campus have shed their shabby appearance after getting a complete makeover

IN NUMBERS

Hostel	Rooms	Capacity
Boys' hostel 1	105	206
Boys' hostel 2	117	218
Boys' hostel 3	117	233

NEW LOOK

- Freshly painted walls
- Introduction of biometric machines
- Development of garden

Single entry point

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— **Sanket Patil** | FIRST YEAR MA ECONOMICS STUDENT

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शिवाजी विद्यापीठाच्या अर्थशास्त्र विभागात महात्मा बसवेश्वर यांच्या जयंतीनिमित्त त्यांच्या स्मृतींना अभिवादन करण्यात आले. अर्थशास्त्र अधिविभाग प्रमुख डॉ. पी. एस. कांबळे यांच्यासह शिक्षक व सेवकांनीही बसवेश्वर यांच्या प्रतिमेस पुष्प वाहून अभिवादन केले.

यावेळी विद्यापीठाच्या यशवंतराव चव्हाण स्कूल ऑफ रूरल डेव्हलपमेंटचे डॉ. नितीन माळी यांनी महात्मा बसवेश्वर यांच्या समता व सामाजिक विकासाच्या विविध पैलूंवर प्रकाश टाकला. अध्यक्षस्थानी डॉ. पी. एस. कांबळे होते. यावेळी महात्मा बसवेश्वर यांच्या विचारांचा अभ्यास असलेल्या यश आंबोळे या विद्यार्थ्यानेही आपले विचार व्यक्त केले. महात्मा बसवेश्वर यांचे वचन स्वरूपातील विचार आचरणात आणून भारत आणखी समृद्ध राष्ट्र बनू शकेल, असे त्याने सांगितले. अधिविभागप्रमुख डॉ. कांबळे यांनी महात्मा बसवेश्वर यांचे आर्थिक, राजकीय व नैतिक विचारांची आजच्या काळातील उपयुक्तता मांडली. शशिकांत पंचगल्ले यांनी सूत्रसंचालन व प्रास्ताविक केले. सुभाष कोंबडे यांनी आभार मानले.

कार्यक्रमास अर्थशास्त्र विभागातील सर्व शिक्षक, संशोधक विद्यार्थी व एम. ए. अर्थशास्त्र विषयाचे विद्यार्थी उपस्थित होते.

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डॉ. नितीन माळी यांचे प्रतिपादन

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