AN EDUCATION VISIT TO MAHAVIR MAHAVIDYALAYA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, KOLHAPUR

"Excursion is never a place, but a new way of seeing things."

The students Of St. Xavier's Institute of Education were taken for an educational excursion to Kolhapur from 16th March, 2019 to 21st March, 2019. As part of the excursion they visited the Mahavir Mahavidyalaya College of Education in Kolhapur on 18th March, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.. This educational visit was planned for the students of both the colleges with the objective to get a deeper insight about the B.Ed courses in both the institutes.

The discussion started with a welcome speech by the students of Mahavir College. The forum was then opened to both the colleges to discuss about their respective courses. The discussion started with the number of lessons that the students had to give in the two year and four year B.Ed courses respectively. The session progressed with the SXIE students giving detailed information about their B. Ed and the different types of lessons (theme based, general lessons-teaching with school teacher and peer – teaching) that they conducted giving suitable examples. Then the students of the two colleges went on to discuss the different practical work conducted in each semester (daily record, reflective journal, community service, learning resources, action resources, sports day, talents day, College fest and other interactive sessions etc.)

One of the faculty members of Mahavir College shared insights regarding the integrated four years B. Ed courses running in their college. The faculty member spoke about how an integrated BA- B.Ed degree is obtained by the students only after the completion of 8 semesters; wherein in the first two semesters they focussed on 75% content knowledge and 25% only on education. In the third and fourth semesters the content and educational knowledge is divided equally. In the third year the focus was on micro teaching and experiential teaching and in the final year the focus was mainly on practical application. They also had different programs conducted during the four-year course such as the personality development program, general knowledge program, content enrichment program and last but not the least the campus placement program.

Thus, it was an enriching session where adequate information was provided about the twoyear and four-year B. Ed courses. The session concluded with a thank you speech by one of our batch mates and a faculty member.