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Library Committee Report

Event Title: *GURU: The First Page of Every Chapter in Life*

Date: 10th July 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m. onwards

Venue: Room No: 504

Introduction:

Guru Purnima is a day of immense cultural, spiritual, and educational importance. It is a time to honour and express gratitude to all those who guide us in the journey of life—our teachers, mentors, and gurus. At Rizvi College of Education, the Library Committee took the initiative to celebrate this meaningful day through a special programme themed “*GURU: The First Page of Every Chapter in Life.*” Held on 10th July 2025 at 11:00 a.m., the event aimed to reflect on the invaluable role played not only by human teachers but also by books—our silent, constant, and lifelong companions.

Books were highlighted as sources of wisdom, reflection, and transformation. The title of the event itself symbolized the idea that every meaningful learning begins with the presence of a guru, and books, like teachers, illuminate our paths through knowledge. The event was crafted to encourage students to see libraries not just as repositories of information but as sacred spaces where learning is nurtured, and personal growth is inspired.

Programme Highlights:

The event began with a warm and respectful welcome extended to the Principal, faculty members, and students. The environment was filled with reverence and anticipation as everyone gathered to celebrate the occasion.

As a mark of respect and devotion, the programme commenced with a soulful *Guru Vandana*, invoking the presence and blessings of all gurus who guide learners through the darkness of ignorance toward the light of knowledge. Immediately following the Vandana, the **lighting of the ceremonial lamp** took place, symbolizing the removal of darkness and the triumph of wisdom. This was accompanied by a **puja of books**, where sacred flower offerings were made to books displayed beautifully at the venue—recognising them as divine instruments of learning. The library committee had also arranged a thoughtful **book display**, showcasing titles by Indian and global authors whose works have served as guiding lights for generations of readers.

The introduction of the programme then followed, where the importance of Guru Purnima was explained in its broader cultural and educational context. The connection between traditional gurus and modern learning resources—especially books—was thoughtfully presented. The speakers emphasized that while teachers shape our academic journey, books support us beyond classrooms, offering lifelong guidance.

To deepen the connection between literature and learning, students recited selected **dohe** (couplets) that beautifully portrayed the essence of gurus and the enlightening power of knowledge. These couplets, drawn from revered literary traditions, reminded everyone of the humility, devotion, and discipline required in the pursuit of learning.

A **video presentation** added another dimension to the celebration. The audience watched inspiring clips of renowned personalities who shared their thoughts on the transformative power of books. Among them were **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam**, who often emphasized the value of reading in shaping one's destiny, and **Mrs. Sudha Murthy**, known for her deep love of books and tireless work in promoting reading culture. Their words and experiences strongly resonated with the students and teachers alike, reinforcing the central theme that books can indeed be life-changing mentors.

Adding an interactive and reflective touch, the programme included a special **student activity** titled "*My Favourite Book*." Each student was given a sheet where they wrote the name of their favourite book and the reason it holds a special place in their life. A few students were invited to share their reflections aloud, making the session personal and emotionally engaging. It provided an opportunity for students to express how reading has influenced their thinking and development.

In the concluding moments of the programme, the **Principal Madam** addressed the gathering with a heartfelt message. She shared her own reflections on how books have been her companions in both professional and personal journeys. She highlighted the role of reading in building character, developing critical thinking, and nurturing a sense of empathy and global awareness. Her words left a lasting impact on everyone present.

The event concluded with the collective singing of the **National Anthem**, marking the end of a memorable celebration.

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Conclusion:

The Guru Purnima celebration organized by the Library Committee was a beautiful blend of tradition, thought, and creativity. It successfully reminded students of the profound influence teachers have in shaping lives while also inspiring them to value books as ever-available, silent teachers. The programme was rich in culture, educationally meaningful, and emotionally uplifting, reinforcing the idea that learning is a sacred and continuous journey.



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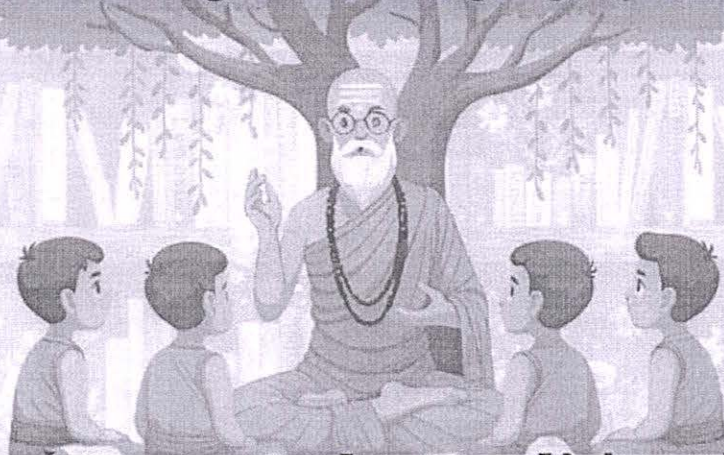


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**GURU: THE FIRST PAGE OF EVERY
CHAPTER IN LIFE**

Books Celebrating the Guiding Light for Teachers



Dress Code: Traditional



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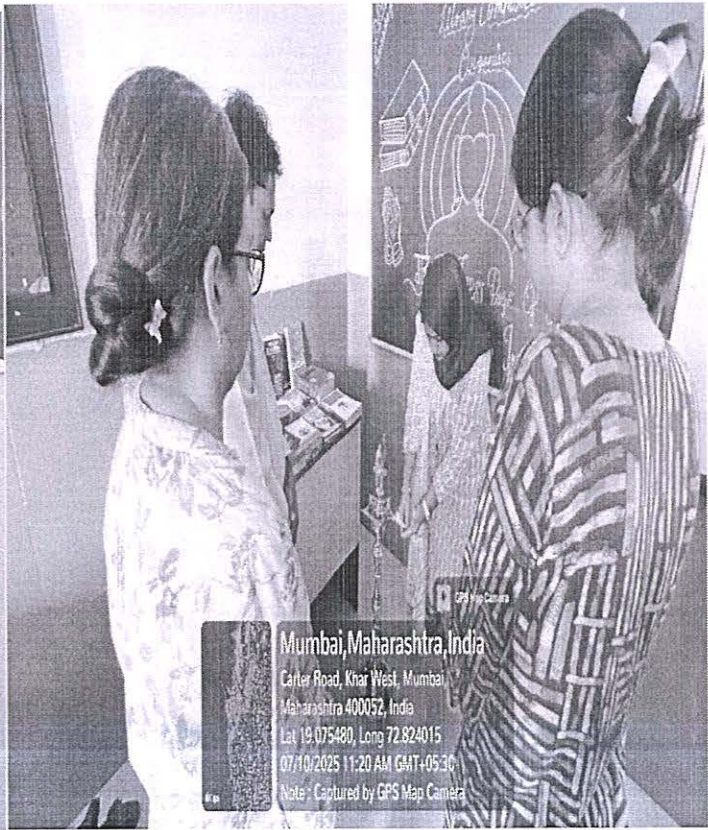
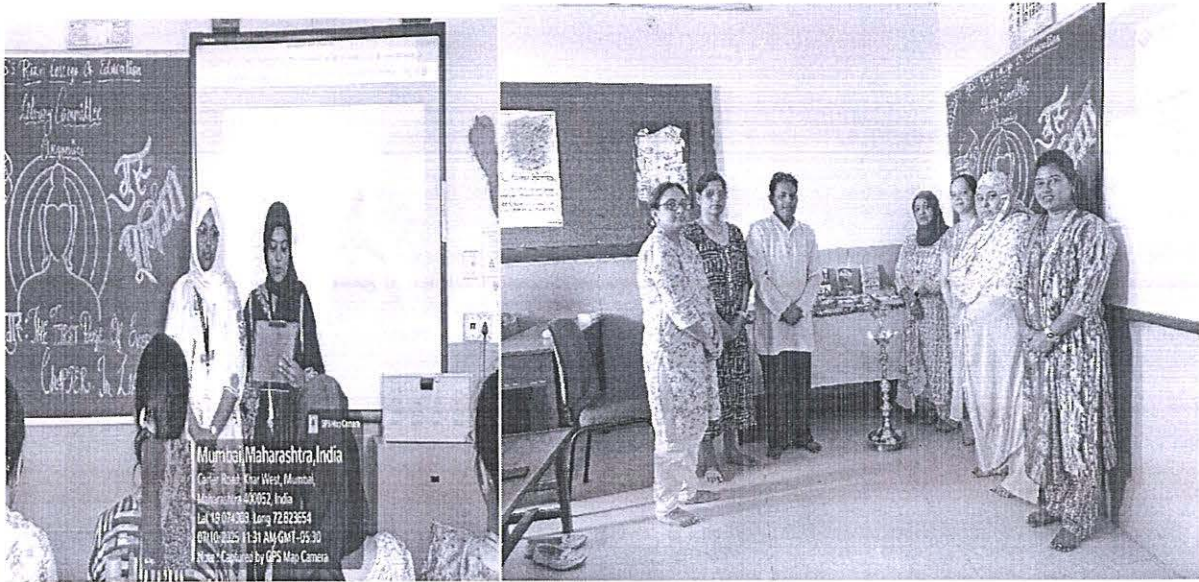
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