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#### **Academic Activities:**

The department commenced regular academic sessions on 20/07/2023, adhering to the prescribed timetable for both theory and practical classes. Faculty members effectively utilized Information and Communication Technology (ICT) tools, including digital presentations, virtual simulations, and online resources, to enhance the learning experience and engagement of students.

To ensure comprehensive student learning and assessment, the department organized unit tests, tutorials, seminars, and quizzes for students across all three years of the undergraduate program. These initiatives significantly contributed to improving conceptual clarity, critical thinking, and research aptitude among students.

## Participation in Research and Competitive Events:

The department actively encouraged student participation in research and competitive academic events. Two student teams represented the department at 'Avishkar 2023,' a prestigious research competition organized by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University (Dr. BAMU), Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar. One of these teams successfully qualified for the university-level competition, demonstrating their research capabilities.

Additionally, a student team Maithili Suru and Arti Ingale participated in 'Avishkar 2023' at Dr. BAMU University and won a Gold Medal for their project on "Egg Hatching Incubators." This achievement highlights the department's commitment to fostering innovation and research excellence among students.





#### **Conclusion:**

Through a combination of academic excellence, research initiatives, and extracurricular engagements, the Department of Zoology has made significant strides in fostering a holistic learning environment for students. The department remains committed to enhancing the quality of education, promoting research, and encouraging active student participation in scientific activities. We sincerely appreciate your support and guidance in all departmental endeavours. Kindly accept this report for your perusal.

### Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

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