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Exclusive Newsletter for Paranjape Schemes Residents

## 2300 PSCL residents made 'Ganarang 2019' GRAND!

It was a much awaited, fun-filled evening ; it was the Grand Finale of Ganarang 2019 after all! Like every year, the Grand Finale kicked off with Ganesh Aarti at the hands of Paranjape family along with the next generation of Paranjapes – the smart twins of Rahul Paranjape!

This year, for the first time, we decided to give participation certificates to all societies who have participated in Ganarang 2019. Representatives of societies were invited on stage where our Chairman and MD handed over certificates to each one of them. And then the award function started with Ganapati decoration awards which were given at the hands of Shrikant & Shashank Paranjape. This was followed by an energetic dance performance by Madhukosh kids. were this, solo Karaoke singing awards started, nominations were announced and awards were given at the hands of Varsha Paranjape. Audience enjoyed the stunning fashion show by Meghdoot residents which followed solo karaoke singing awards. Nominations of duet karaoke singing were announced and awards were given by Shashank & Meenal Paranjape. Young boys and girls from Woodland performed a dance and entertained the viewers. This performance made the audience nostalgic! Then came the turn of short film awards. This year, for the first time, we had not given any subjects for this competition so societies had the freedom to choose the subject.

These awards were given by Sahil Paranjape. Dance performance by Ruturang ladies (age grp 35 to 55) was very energetic, with superb expressions by all the dancers. It was really a well coordinated performance! This was followed by Fashion show awards which were given at the hands of Meenal Paranjape. A Blue Ridge resident sung 'Nigahein milane ko jee chahata hai' nicely.

This year's anchor for Ganarang grand finale was Gayatri who conducted the show nicely.

### Best Performing Society - Winner - Ruturang



### Best Performing Society - Runner Up - Madhukosh



After the singing performance she invited Rahul Paranjape and the dance competition judge, Monika Kalurkar to give away dance prizes comprising of special prize, best costume award and so on. As award function was about to end, Ruturang residents performed a drama, 'Big Boss'. This was the first time ever when we had drama as a part of Grand Finale. Drama awards having many different categories were announced and all the awards were given at the hands of drama judge, Yogini Pohphale and Shashank Paranjape. This year, we introduced runner up for 'Best Performing Society' for the first time. This year's runner up was Madhukosh and winner trophy of 'Best Performing Society' was bagged by Ruturang for the second consecutive year. All of us rejoiced and went home with happy memories.









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**उच्च रक्तदाबाचा  
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## Dear Fellow Readers,

An early morning walk through the internal streets of central market shows a profusion of action! Flowers of all kinds are stacked since dawn, mithai shops are beaming with newly added fresh stock, ornaments and cloth market is looking all set to welcome hordes of buyers. Instantaneously you are reminded of the ongoing festive season. For years the scenario is the same. Yes, there are people who are going away from celebrating festivals due to lack of will, time or simply to blend in the image of a global citizen. On the other hand, there are people who are striving to keep alive the regional festivals.

India is blessed with thousands of distinct and unique cultures, all finding place in the glorious history of India. Entire year is filled with one festival or the other based upon multi-cultural, multi-ethnic and multi-religious societies. Not all the festivals are celebrated by everyone throughout the year. Influences like religion, locality, family, upbringing, environment and preferences determine what one celebrates.

But usually what I have seen is that Indians staying outside India make it a point to celebrate their 'indianess' through the festivals. Indians did migrate but without forgetting to take with them a slice of our Indian culture. Yes, NRIs adopted the western culture to fit in the global scenario but the fear of identity loss always crept in. So celebrating festivals, acknowledging the culture has always been a priority for them. Few NRIs also believe that they represent our culture in the western society and hence are much more cautious and aware. In many other countries, there are Indian community gatherings coinciding with the timings of the festivals in India. The scenario there is magical. You forget there are geographical boundaries; that you are in a foreign land. Indians abroad feel a genuine necessity to stay connected. Festivals act as platform that connects them to their roots, reassuring that distances don't matter when values are deeply rooted.

How intelligently our festival celebrations are designed! But they are nothing without the participation of people- community. The crux of celebrations is based on these gatherings where people come together, enjoy and make memories collectively. For centuries our festivals have survived because people have come together and made it happen. Wherever on the earth you reside, bring people together and make long lasting memories that enrich our culture.





# Some Moments



Anchor Gayatri during Grand Finale



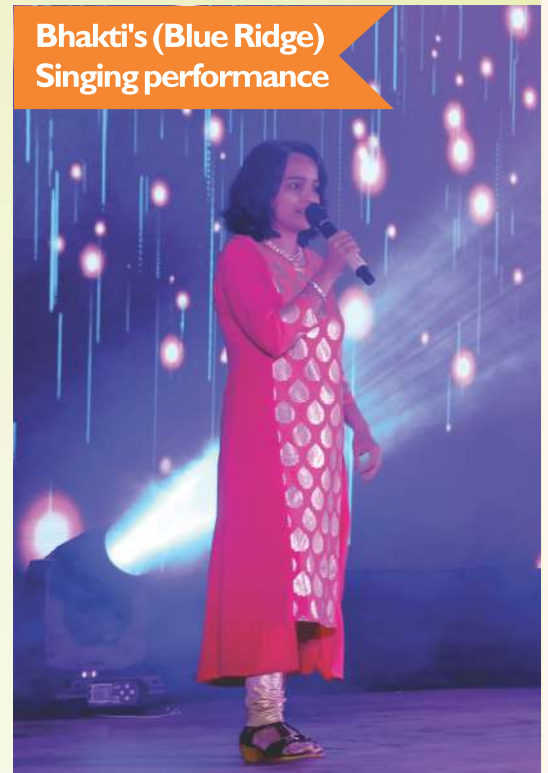
Team Ruturang announced as best performing society award



The Cheering Crowds!



Paranjape family with the next generation



Bhakti's (Blue Ridge)  
Singing performance

## 1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Vedika Deshpande, Blue Ridge, Unit C



(GROUP -A)

Felicitation by  
Varsha Shrikant Paranjape

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Ruturang



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Mahi Limkar, Rutuparna



Consolation Prize - Tanvi Thombre, Yuthika



Consolation Prize - Swara Jadhav, Blue Ridge Unit A&B



Consolation Prize - Rama Palshikar, Sairang



### 1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Mayuri Atre, Avaneesh



### Karaoke Singing Competitions

#### (GROUP -B)

Felicitation by  
Varsha Shrikant Paranjape



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Varun Nimbalkar, Meghdoot

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Alok Agashe, Ruturang



Consolation Prize - Sanika Chine, Woodland

### Karaoke Singing Competitions

#### (GROUP -C)

Felicitation by  
Varsha Shrikant Paranjape

### 1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Nishigandha Gokhale, Madhukosh



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Anjali Joshi, Avaneesh



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Rahul Ambade, Akashdeep + Manali Joshi, Camellia



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Amit Chitale, Meghdoot



Consolation Prize - Ankush Ajari, Woodland



Consolation Prize - Meenakshi Modak, Blue Ridge



## Karaoke Singing Competitions

(GROUP -D)

Felicitation by  
Varsha Shrikant Paranjape

1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Vijaya Dhavalikar,  
Athashri Baner Unit C



2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Sanjay Marathe, Woodland



3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Ashok Joshi, Yuthika



Consolation Prize - Vaishali Vaidya, Athashri Bavdhan

## Karaoke Singing Competitions

(GROUP -A)

Felicitation by  
Meenal Paranjape &  
Shashank Paranjape

1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Advika Lele &  
Gargi Mokashi, Camellia



2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Sharva & Mihir, Akashdeep +  
Ayush & Radhika, Madhukosh



3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Rohan Paranjpe &  
Hansika, Yuthika



Consolation Prize - Nikhil More & Adi Sant, Gloria



**2<sup>nd</sup> Winner – Devendra & Madhura Rairikar, Gloria**



**Karaoke Singing Competitions**

(GROUP -B)

Felicitation by  
Meenal Paranjape & Shashank Paranjape

**3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Rupali Bhagwat & Chaitanya Mantri, Woodland**



Woodland

**1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Devika Agashe & Soham Bhalerao, Ruturang**



Consolation Prize - Maithili Pathak & Sharvari Pathak, Rutuparna

**Karaoke Singing Competitions**

(GROUP -C)

Felicitation by  
Meenal Paranjape & Shashank Paranjape

**1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Sheetal Joshi & Dheeraj Joshi, Crystal Garden**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Sameer Agashe & Neelam Bhide, Ruturang**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Aditya & Rashmi Joshi, Avaneesh**



Consolation Prize - Makarand & Madhumati Apte, Gloria



Consolation Prize -Vibhas Herlekar & Mukund Thatte, Madhukosh



**Karaoke Singing Competitions**

**(GROUP -D)**

Felicitation by  
Meenal Paranjape & Shashank Paranjape



**DANCE COMPETITIONS**

**(GROUP -A)**

Felicitation by  
Monika Karulkar & Rahul Paranjape







**DANCE**  
COMPETITIONS

(GROUP -B)

Felicitation by  
Monika Karulkar & Rahul Paranjape



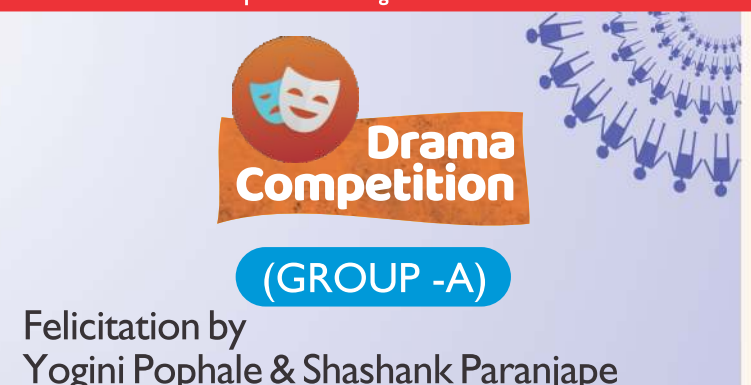
**DANCE**  
COMPETITIONS

(GROUP -C)

Felicitation by  
Monika Karulkar &  
Rahul Paranjape









## Drama Competition

(GROUP -B)

Felicitation by  
Yogini Pophale & Shashank Paranjape

### 1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Ruturang



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Akashdeep



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Madhukosh



Best Actor - Amod Moghe, Madhukosh



Best Actress - Manasi Nail, Rutuparna



Best Direction - Hrishikesh Deshpande, Ruturang



Best Set - Akashdeep

## Drama Competition

(GROUP -C)

Felicitation by  
Yogini Pophale & Shashank Paranjape

### 1<sup>st</sup> Winner - Athashri Baner B



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Winner - Woodland



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Winner - Athashri Baner C



Best Actor - Rajaram Moghe, Madhukosh



Best Actress - Shubhangi Lungare, Crystal Garden



Best Direction - Seema Nakhate, Athashri Baner B



Best Set - Athashri Baner B





## Glimpases PSCL Dandiya 2019

### Enthusiastic residents of Blue Ridge



### Celebrity Guest Shiv Thakare in selfie mode



### Vaibhav Welcoming Shiv Thakare at the event



### Best Costume - Yuthika



### Special Prize - Meghdoot



### All dancers on the Dandiya floor!







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ALL ORDERS CLOSE ON 15TH OF DECEMBER  
DON'T MISS IT !



## CELEBRATIONS AT ATHASHRI WHITEFIELD BANGALORE

### 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019 Celebrated as Pre Independence Day and Sanskrit Day

On 14th August 2019, video presentation of "I love My India" Patriotic songs from Bollywood organised by Mr Shrirama Chandrudu.

The Programme was very interesting and was enjoyed by all the Athshrians. Sanskrit classes are conducted regularly by Mr Srinivas. Students of Athashri celebrated Sanskrit week by presenting a short programme which ended with the song "Jayati Jayati Bharat Mata" sung by the students.



### Celebration of Independence Day, 15<sup>th</sup> August. 2019

Athshrians celebrated Independence Day with great enthusiasm. The flag was hoisted by Chief Guest Dr Nagesh Kavi. Guest of Honour was Gen Natarajan. The programme ended with Vande Maataram. On this occasion Odissi Dance performance was given by Dr Anupama Kummar, which was enjoyed by all the Athshrians.



### Celebration of Ganesh Puja on 2<sup>nd</sup> Septmber 2019

Lord Vinayaka was heartily welcomed by all the Athshrians in the morning to celebrate Ganesh Chaturthi. The Puja was performed by Brig. Murthy and Mr Natarajan and Atharavashirsha was chanted by Athashrians. Prasad was made and shared by all the residents. Evening aarti was performed with devotion. Next day the Visarjan of Lord Ganesha was done and we said goodbye with prayers to bless us with good health and wellbeing and to come back again next year.



### ONAM celebrations on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2019

ATHASHRIANS at Whitefield, Bengaluru organised their 3rd ONAM celebrations on September 22, 2019 amidst a large audience.

A giant Onam Pookkalam (Floral decoration) was created on the previous evening in the lobby.

On Sunday, the cultural programmes kick started with the arrival of King Maveli. Mr.J. Alexander I.A.S, former Chief Secretary and Minister of Karnataka was the Chief Guest. Rev. Fr. Mathew Chandrankunnel was the Guest of Honour. Cultural programme compered by Mr. Thomson was very colourful. The programme included solo classical dance, item dance, group of women performing Thiruvathira Kkali, group singing and the climax event was the Vallomkali (Kerala Boat Race song). Mrs. Indira K.G. proposed the vote of thanks after which a grand Onam Sadhya (Festival lunch on banana leaf) was served to one and all.





## ONAM CELEBRATION AT ATHASHRI BENGALURU



**PSCL**  
SOCIETY  
HAPPENING  
AT ATHASHRI  
BAVDHAN

**DONATION  
DRIVE**

Helping Hands,  
Wining Smiles!



अथश्री बावधनने कोल्हापूर व सांगली पुरग्रस्तांसाठी रुपये ३५०००/- किमतीचा शिधा पाठवला आहे. तसेच गणेशोत्सवात होणाऱ्या खर्चात कपात करून रुपये १२२८५/- चा धनादेश सकाळ रिलीफ फंडात जमा केला आहे.



## Blue Ridge

### Plastic Free Blue Ridge Township



Blue Ridge Association for Voluntary Engagement (BRAVE) completed its first year of community service on Oct 2, 2019, Mahatma Gandhi's 150th birth anniversary. On this auspicious day, to support India's intent to ban single-use plastic, BRAVE organized a 'Plastic Free Blue Ridge Township' initiative for the residents of Blue Ridge Township Hinjawadi, Pune. The main goal of this initiative was to spread awareness and knowledge about how the residents can reduce and recycle plastic.

Planning of the event started with BRAVE drafting an action plan for all township entities to reduce their dependence on plastic. To encourage recycling, BRAVE teamed up with Bola G, who promised to exchange reusable cloth bags for 1 kg of recyclable plastic. The event publicity was carried out by the ever enthusiastic children of Blue Ridge, who did door to door campaigns and also prepared art banners for the event. These little heroes were felicitated by Mr. Shashank Paranjape for their dedication. The event was inaugurated by Mr. Shashank Paranjape, Managing Director of Paranjape Schemes. Residents took the following pledge:

I pledge to avoid single-use plastic, to reuse or recycle the plastic that I do use, to educate others about plastic waste, and to take Citizen muscle actions to make plastic a thing of the past Mr. Paranjape vowed to eliminate plastic from the PSCL offices and provided his full support to make Blue Ridge plastic free. During the event, Mr. Paranjape announced that a new OWC plant will soon become operational to handle waste. It will have advanced technology of pyrolysis and gasification that will enable township to process waste efficiently and recycle plastic, converting it into value added products. This was also in line with BRAVE's vision of making Blue Ridge a Zero Garbage Township. A hard-hitting nukkad natak performed by the children served as a wake up call for one and all, and further strengthened the message of plastic free Blue Ridge. The use of music, dance and tamasha, (traditional form of Marathi theatre) to involve everyone present in the story of a mountain of plastic was a master stroke! Blue Ridge Township released a joint statement advising all township entities, comprising of residential societies, banks, businesses, school, SEZ IT companies, to work towards reducing and recycling plastic. Mrs. Sakshi Mahale, township manager said, "Blue Ridge is blessed to have socially conscious residents and BRAVE is working selflessly for Blue Ridge's betterment. I'm glad that we have great visionary like Mr. Shashank Paranjape to guide Township management to achieve the social & moral goals. My Township team is taking all efforts to keep our Blue Ridge Township pollution free." The action plan includes reducing single-use plastic bags, stop the use of plastic cutlery during events, avoid the use of plastic water bottles in offices, reduce the use of large plastic bags for collecting waste and setting up plastic recycling centers. BRAVE plans and hopes that this initiative will not only inspire BlueRidgians, but also other communities.