

GANESHOTSAV MANDAL- ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17

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GANESHOTSAV 2016

Ganeshotsav is one of the most anticipated festivals of Podar college and this year it was celebrated with even more enthusiasm on the 5th and 6th of September 2016.

The theme Ganeshotsav 2016 focused on the pandharpur wari, the culture of saints and positive aspect of the farmers' life. From the set up to the food this year's Ganeshotsav had the essence of wari and simple Marathi culture in imbibe in everything.

The much awaited 'Ganesh Aagman' took place at 9am on the 5th of September, 2016 in the traditional pandharpur wari. The 'Sthapana' and 'Puja' were performed by the Pandit. Devotees including ex-students, residents from the vicinity and distant areas as well came to seek blessings of the lord. The day concluded with evening prayers.

The second day morning prayers were followed by the cultural programme which included singing, instrumental music and duet, group & traditional dance performances by the junior and degree college students. Principal Dr. Shobana Vasudevan performed the 'Maha-aarti'. The 'Maha-prasad' was offered to the devotees who were present for the occasion.

Then came the time to say good bye to Lord Ganesh. The final procession was accompanied by dhol, dance. The 'visarjan' took place in an eco-friendly pond at the Mayor's bungalow. The most awaited and loved festival of Mumbai ended on a high note.

Through the hard work and efforts of the volunteers this year Ganeshotsav was also celebrated in a grand yet eco-friendly way.

Initiative of the year was to Depict the Maharashtra's pandharpur warkari culture. Make the event completely theme based. Make the festival grand and the decoration completely eco-friendly.