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NOTICE

Date of Issue: 10 January 2026

All the students of B.A. Part I, II and III are hereby informed that the Department of History is organizing a Field Visit and Oral History Project entitled:

“Antawadi: A Socio-Historical Study of the Soldier Tradition”

The activity is organized as part of experiential and student-centric learning under NEP 2020. Students will be provided with a structured questionnaire, on the basis of which they will conduct oral history interviews with veteran soldiers, elderly villagers, and family members of martyr soldiers from Antawadi village.

Date of Activity: 13 January 2026

All students are required to participate actively and complete the assigned academic tasks sincerely.

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EVENT REPORT

**Field Visit and Oral History Project
Antawadi: A Socio–Historical Study of the Soldier Tradition**

Title of Program	Field Visit and Oral History Project Antawadi: A Socio–Historical Study of the Soldier Tradition
Organizing Department	Department of History
Day and Date	13th January, 2026
Venue	Antawadi, Tal.Karad, Dist. Satara
Beneficiaries	Students of History Department -10

Objectives

- 1.To study the social and historical roots of the soldier tradition in rural Maharashtra.**
- 2.To introduce students to the Oral History Method as a tool of historical research.**
- 3.To document the lived experiences, sacrifices, and motivations of soldiers and their families.**

4. To connect local history with national service and patriotism.

Event Details

The Department of History organized a field visit and oral history project at Antawadi village. Prior to the visit, students were provided with a well-structured questionnaire prepared by the department. Using this questionnaire, students conducted face-to-face interviews with retired soldiers, elderly residents, and family members of martyr soldiers.

The interviews focused on family background, inspiration for joining the armed forces, experiences of service, sacrifices, and the social respect associated with military service. Students recorded responses, noted observations, and interacted respectfully with the respondents, gaining first-hand historical insights beyond textbooks.

Key Outcomes

1. Students developed a practical understanding of oral history and field-based research.
2. The activity enhanced critical thinking, communication skills, and historical empathy.
3. Students recognized the significance of rural communities in national defense.
4. The project strengthened experiential learning, in alignment with NEP 2020.

The activity proved to be academically enriching and socially meaningful, contributing to holistic historical learning.

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**Photographic Documentation of the Event
Field Visit and Oral History Project - Antawadi: A Socio-Historical Study
13th January, 2026**





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