REPORT
SKYPE CONFERENCING COMMITTEE
CONVENOR : DR. ARCHANA SHUKLA
MEMBER: DR. ELVY DASS
TIME PERIOD: 15 JUNE to 1 JULY 2020
No. of Participants : 8, 4 from Sahyadri College, Karnataka; 4 from MKP(PG)
College, Dehradun.

A WhatsApp group of some students and teachers of both the colleges was foïmed on 15
June 2020. In this group it was decided that students would interact with each other and
discuss a specific topic, once a month.

The first meeting took place on the 2nd July on Google Meet. The topic under discussion
was the Festivals of Karnataka and Uttarakhand. Mr. Siraj Ahmed from the Sahyadri College,
joined with his students, Sandhya, Salma, Abhishek and Avinash. Dr. Archana Shukla and Dr.
Elvy Dass from MKP College, joined with their students, Shagun, Abha, Anugya and Bhavya.
Dr. Sangeeta Khullar, from MKP College, introduced the objectives of the EBSB programme.
Dr. Siraj Ahmed introduced his college as a premier institution in Karnataka. Dr. Archana
Shukla spoke about the state of Uttarakhand and the history of the MKP College.

Abhishek from Sahyadri college talked about the festival called Bhoomihunnime, in which,
the land which was cultivated was treated as a deity and offered gratitude by the people.
Avinash spoke about Kambalam which was a harvest festival. Salma described how
Muharram was celebrated in Karnataka, with active participation by the Hindus as well.
Sandhya described Sankranti.

Shagun, from MKP College described the festival of Phooldei in Uttarakhand, which
celebrates the onset of spring. Abha spoke about Harela, which welcomes the rainy season
with planting of trees. Anugya described the Nanda Devi Rajjat Yatra and Bhavya ended the
meeting with a description of the Kumbha Mela.