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Notice - Meraki 4.0

This is to inform all students that Department of Forensic Science is going to organize its annual academic event Meraki 4.0-Forensic Science Week on **29th, 30th September and 1st October 2026**. Further details regarding the event will be shared soon. Students are requested to stay updated and participate with enthusiasm.

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MERAKI 4.0

EVENT REPORT

Details of the Event: MERAKI 4.0

Date of event: 29 September – 1 October 2026

Venue: Seminar Hall, School of Science, Sandip University, Nashik

Time: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Organizing Secretary: Mr. Pritam Pandit

Joint-organizing Secretary: Dr. Namrata Dhadnekar & Mr. Abhishek Rai

Name of Event Coordinator: Ms. Yukta Guglot, Ms. Surbhi Bhadoriya, Mr. Neel Kamal

Number of Participants: All UG and PG Students of Forensic Science

Organizing Committee: Department of Forensic Science, SoS, Sandip University, Nashik

Brief description of Event:

The Department of Forensic Science, School of Science, Sandip University, Nashik, successfully organised **MERAKI 4.0 – Forensic Fest 2026** from **29 September to 1 October 2026**. The three-day event was organised with the objective of providing students with an interactive platform to demonstrate their forensic knowledge, investigative abilities, creativity and teamwork.

The fest comprised various forensic and creative competitions along with interaction with eminent professionals and experts from the field.

Day 1 (29 September 2026)

The first day marked the inauguration of MERAKI 4.0 in the presence of distinguished guests including **Shri. Manoj Khandale, DySP & Vice Principal, Detective Training School, Nashik, Shri. Pratik Patil**, **Assistant Police Inspector, Nashik,** along with the Hon'ble **Vice Chancellor** and **Dean Academics**, Sandip University.

The inaugural day featured two major competitions, Outdoor Crime Scene and Forensic Act. The Outdoor Crime Scene competition provided students with an opportunity to demonstrate their skills in crime scene observation, evidence identification, investigation and interpretation. The Forensic Act competition encouraged students to present forensic and investigative concepts creatively through performance.

The first day successfully commenced MERAKI 4.0 with active participation and enthusiasm among the students.

Day 2 (30 September 2026)

The second day of MERAKI 4.0 featured expert interaction along with a series of forensic and creative competitions. The Department was honoured by the presence of **Brigadier Hemant Mahajan (Retd.), Indian Army**, and **Dr. Venkanna Narkuti, Joint Director (FS) & HoD, Clues Teams, Hyderabad City Police, Hyderabad, Telangana**.

The competitions conducted on Day 2 included:

- **Indoor Crime Scene**
- **Poster Making**
- **Model Making**
- **Crime Costume**

The Indoor Crime Scene competition provided students with an opportunity to apply systematic crime scene investigation techniques. Poster Making and Model Making encouraged students to communicate forensic concepts through creative and innovative approaches, while Crime Costume provided a platform to creatively represent crime and forensic investigation themes.

The interactions with the invited experts provided students with valuable professional insights and enhanced their understanding of the practical applications of forensic science.

Day 3 (1 October 2026)

The third and final day of MERAKI 4.0 concluded with the **Valedictory Ceremony** and the final competitions.

The valedictory ceremony was graced by **Dr. Ankita Parmar Kavad, Assistant Director**

& Assistant Professor, School of Behavioral and **Forensic Science, Rashtriya Raksha University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat**, **Mr. Dinesh Suryavanshi Sir, RPI, MPA, Nashik**, and **Prof. Pramod Karole, OSD, SUN**.

The final competitions conducted on Day 3 were Clues in Miniature and No Flame Feast. These activities encouraged students to demonstrate their observation, analytical thinking, creativity, teamwork and problem-solving abilities.

The event concluded with the felicitation of the winners of the various competitions conducted during MERAKI 4.0. The winners and participants were appreciated for their enthusiasm, creativity, forensic knowledge and active participation throughout the three-day fest.

Objective of the Event:

The major objectives of organising MERAKI 4.0 were:

- To provide students with a platform to apply their theoretical knowledge in practical and simulated forensic situations.
- To enhance students' investigative, analytical, observational and problem-solving skills.
- To encourage creativity, innovation and teamwork among students.
- To provide exposure to experts and professionals from the fields of forensic science, policing and investigation.
- To promote experiential learning through forensic-based competitions and activities.
- To develop communication, leadership and presentation skills among students.

Outcome of the Event:

- Enhanced practical understanding of forensic investigation and crime scene examination.
- Improved observation, analytical, and logical reasoning skills among students.
- Development of creativity and innovative thinking through poster and model-making activities.
- Improved teamwork, coordination, leadership, and communication skills.

- Exposure to practical insights from professionals and experts associated with forensic science, policing, and investigation.
- Encouragement of students to apply theoretical forensic concepts in simulated and competitive situations.
- Increased awareness regarding the multidisciplinary applications of forensic science.
- Provided a platform for students to showcase their talent, knowledge, creativity, and investigative abilities.

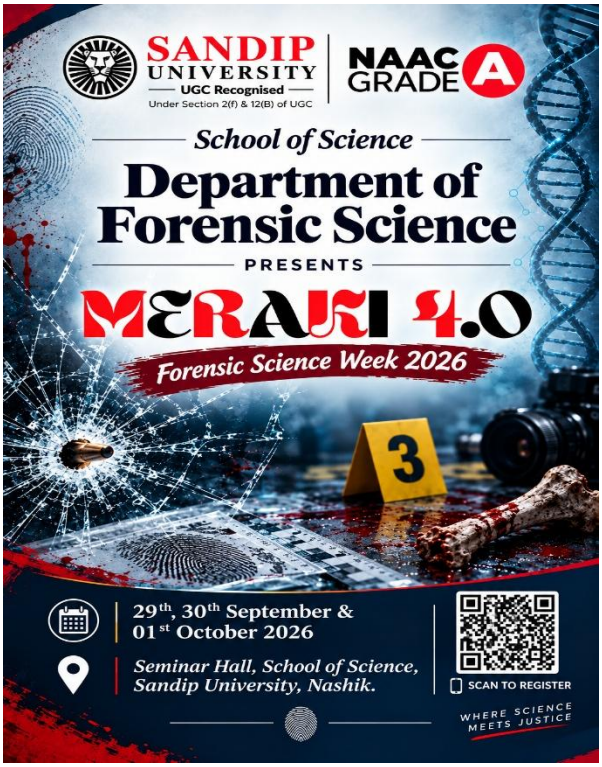
Competition Winners of MERAKI 4.0

Sr. No.	Competition	Winners
1.	Scene to screen short film competition	1st : Chaitanya Thawari and group 2nd : Swayam Lodhe and group 3rd : Lalit Pawara and group SA: Anvesha and group
2.	Crime scene (Indoor)	1st : K. Navya and group 2nd : Ishwari Tambe and group 3rd : Tejas Tayade and group SA: Mergal Saniya & group
3.	Crime scene (outdoor)	1st : Anshika Khadse and group 2nd : Aniket Tare and group 3rd : Aman Arif and group SA: Rozmin Shaikh and group
4.	Innovator's showcase poster	1st : Abhishek Dhale 2nd : Ankita Swami & group 3rd : Juhika and group SA: Shreyas Deokar
5.	Forensic Act (Drama/ Play)	1st : Suyash and group 2nd : Varsha and group
6.	Crime costure (Dressup/Rampwalk)	1st : Gracy Samuel Ingle

		2nd : Rutuja Tate 3rd : Samiksha Gikwad
7.	Clues in miniature	1st : Ankit Tamrakar & Group
8.	No Flame Feast	1st : Kushi Vachhani & Srushti 2nd : Daisy Thomas 3rd : Prathamesh Rakshe
9.	Brushless mastery	1st : Sneha Kumari 2nd : Sakshi Kamble 3rd : Yasin
10.	Locard's Look	1st : Urvashi and group 2nd : Sakshi Kamble 3rd : Gargi Pawar

SA: Special Appreciation

Event-banner/Poster:



Event Photos:

















Caption: Glimpses of MERAKI 4.0, capturing the vibrant participation, enthusiasm, creativity, and memorable moments of students and faculty during the successful celebration of talent and togetherness.

