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## From Vice Chancellor's Desk

Dear Sndti+es,

A new year of Challenges and progressive development has dawned. When we look back in retrospect, contentment fills our heart with happiness. Number of constructive works have been accomplished with your co-operation and support. Though the accomplishment have been substantial, **we have miles to go**. We have been progressing both horizontally and vertically. Academically new courses like BBA, LLB, LLM, M Phil, B.Sc. IT have been started.

At the Annual Convocation more than 15,000 students' received the Degrees and Diplomas this year. Bar Council of India's Inspection was held for the three year LLB course. Education on Wheels and Education at Doorsteps are the new initiatives at the Center for Distance Education.

Many administrative accomplishments too were witnessed. Intensive meetings were held with the Unions and important issues like Seniority List and Roasters were discussed. The vacant post of the different Heads of Departments have been advertised and other teaching and non-teaching posts will be advertised shortly. University Statutes were finalized and sent to the his excellency, Governor of Maharashtra for assent. Regular meeting with officers are held to smoothen administration. Meetings with Principals and Heads of University Departments were also held.

Many infrastructural developments have been accomplished, such as Nalah widening in Juhu was done by BMC, Pariksha Bhavan was shifted to Juhu campus, UGC special grants of Rs. 81 Lakhs for repairs and automation and 21 Lakhs for computers Science Department, Rs. 34 Lakhs for Home Science department, 87 lakhs for Pune Hostel were received for the repairs and development, 200 computers and Printers were purchased for various departments. Gujarat Government has agreed to allot 15 acres plot for a sub center. Development work at 3 acres plot at Palghar is also in the pipe line.

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I am very happy that our students have also won many laurels for the University. At Indradhanushya 2006, they won the **Runner up Championship trophy**. At Avishkar 2006 they won the **Championship trophy for Pharmacy**. Our students won many prizes at the West Zone and National Youth Festival too, Our One Act Play "Panchakam" won the 1st Prize at **INT, Indradhanushya, West Zone Youth Festival and National Youth Festival**.

I hope, I will get your continued support and Co-operation to take the University to greater heights. My sincere Best Wishes to all of you for the New Academic Year.

Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy

## 56th Annual Convocation



The 56th Annual Convocation of the S.N.D.T. Women's University was held on Tuesday, February 27, 2007 at 5 p.m. at Sir Sitaram and Lady Shatabai Patkar Deekshant Sabhagriha, Sir Vithaldas Thackersey Marg, Churchgate, Mumbai.

Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Vice-Chancellor of the University presided over the function.

Shri Yeswant Vishnu Chandrachud, Former Chief Justice of India who was the chief guest, delivered the Convocational Address. In his speech he said, "Solon, the renowned Greek legislator, said that justice can be achieved only when those who do not suffer injustice would be as much outraged as those who have suffered injustice. This is as true in today's India as it was in ancient Greece. Distributive justice can be achieved only when, the fortunate segments of our society will perceive the injustice that is inherent in their fortune. In the words of Clement Atlee: "If a free society cannot help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich."

B.C.U.D. Director Dr. Kumudhavalli presented the annual report. Registrar Dr. Madhu Madan announced the names of prize winners.

Nearly 15,817 students received Degrees and Diplomas in Arts, Commerce, Home-Science, Management, Education, Information Technology, Nursing etc.



## University gets its first PRO - VICE CHANCELLOR

Dr. Shankar S. Mantha has been appointed as the first Pro - Vice Chancellor of SNDT Women's University by Dr. S. M. Krishna Chancellor of the University & Governor of Maharashtra

## IInd South Asian Universities Youth Festival, (IInd SAUFEST) - 2007



Ms. Jasbinder Narula Pop Singer lighting the traditional lamp during Inaugural function

Madras University, Bharatidas University, Bhanasthali University, Rewa University, SRT Gauhati University, Mumbai University, GNDU Amritsar etc. Students from Bhutan, Nepal, Mauritius, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh presented beautiful cultural programmes, viz. Folk dances, Folk Songs, Instrumental Music etc.

The Inaugural function was well attended by eminent people from different fields, Shri R. P. Kahlani Additional Director general of Police, Dr. D. G. Dongaonkar, Shri Sairam and Shri Shaan, enthralled the audience with their melodious songs. The cultural Programmes and cultural procession were well appreciated by one and all.



Mr. Sampson David, Chief Co-ordinator for SAUFEST 2007, Inaugurating Yoga Seminar.

S. S. Katiyar, President, Association of Indian Universities, Dr. Barman, CEO of Reserve Bank of India, Ashutosh Rana, eminent Actor and Ismail Darbar, eminent Music Director. The other dignitaries who were present were Dr. D. G. Dongaonkar, Secretary General and Chief Advisor for SAUFEST 07. Mr. Sampson David, Chief Co-ordinator for SAUFEST 07', Vice-Chancellor of SNDT Women's University, Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Dr. Madhu Madan, Registrar, Dr. Kumudhavalli, BCUD and Mrs. Chandra Ganesh, Dean of Students.

S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai organized the IInd South Asian Universities Youth Festival (IInd SAUFEST) under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities at the Juhu campus of the S.N.D.T. University. The concept of organizing SAUFEST is to encourage the future generation of the youth from South Asian Countries to come on a common platform for sharing views, experiences, innovations and common ideas and agenda in tackling the future challenges. The participating countries included Bangladesh, Nepal, Maldives, Mauritius, Bhutan, Sri Lanka and India.

Over 250 Youth Delegates and Officials participated in the IInd SAUFEST held from March 7th to 11th, 2007. In addition to the 100 Foreign Delegates, 150 selected participants of the four Inter University Zonal Youth Festival, included



Students at Cultural Procession during the Inaugural Function, of SAUFEST 2007.

During the five day festival, four different panel discussion and one Special Interactive session on HIV AIDS were organized. The panel discussion were on Scientific Basis of Yoga (7th March), Empowerment of Women (8th March), South Asian Developmental Issues on Education (9th March) and South Asian developmental Issues on (11th March) Human rights were organized, eminent speakers participated in the Panel discussion. The Interactive session of HIV AIDS was conducted by Dr. Dipti Dongaonkar and Dr. Rita Sonawat.

The Valedictory Function was graced by the presence of Prof.



Mr. Ashutosh Rana, eminent actor being welcomed by Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Vice Chancellor, at Valedictory Function.

## Around Campus

### ● Paper Presentation

\*Prof. Nilesh Thakre, Lecturer - Psychology, of S N D T. College of Arts & SCB College of Eco & Science for Women, presented a research paper entitled "Study of Social Tension and Personality of Students at two Communities" the National Conference of National Academy of Psychology (NAOP) held at IIT Bombay from 14th-16th December, 2006.



### ● Sports News

#### HARMONY DAY

The Department of Physical Education, in collaboration with the Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya, Colaba Branch, conducted the "HARMONY DAY" programme on Feb 10, 2007 from 9 00 a.m to 2.00 p.m. at the Churchgate Campus. 10 Mumbai colleges participated in the event. The following events were conducted.

Harmony Games, Solo Classical Dance, Patriotic Group Song, Fun Ads, Street Play with a message of peace and love. Prizes were sponsored by Brahma Kumaris to all the winners. The Arts & Com. College, Churchgate were the Overall Champions for the Day. The message of peace, love and oneness was spread around the campus by Sister Gayatriben.

### ● Workshop on Adventure Sports Activities

The Department of Physical Education in collaboration with the Shri M. D. Shah College, Malad conducted the "Workshop on Adventure Sports Activities" at Matheran on March 31 and April 1, 2007 for 30 teachers and coaches. The workshop was sponsored by the M. D. Shah College, Malad.

### ● UGC - Committee

Dr. Habibullah Ansari has been nominated as the Member of the Expert Committee Constituted by the UGC for the screening of the proposals under the Special Assistance Programme in the subject of Psychology.

### ● Books published

Dr. H. L. Kaila published a book "Victimization of School children".

● Prof. Vijay Marulkar has published a book on "Introduction to Sociology" in Marathi from Phadke Pratishthan, Kohlapur.

● Article written by Prof. Vijay Marulkar has been published by Indian Institute of culture, Mumbai on "Significance of Religious Festivals in the Age of Globalization".

### ● Two days Sociology workshop

● University Department of Sociology had organised Two-days workshop on "Guidelines for Writing Thesis and Dissertation" on 11th and 12th January, 2007 for the research scholars those who are doing M Phil and Ph.D in Social Science. Fifty Scholars participated in it. Workshop was inaugurated by Prof. Neera Desai and the Key-note address was given by noted Sociologist Prof. D. N. Dhanagure.

● Prof. Vijay Marulkar is recognised as a Ph.D. Guide in Sociology by Tilak Maharashtra University, Pune.  
**Bombay Psychology Association**

### ● Annual Psychology Convention

● Post Graduate Deptt. of Psychology in association with Bombay Psychological Association and Institute of Psychological Health, Thane, organized Annual convention on 9th and 10th of Jan. 2007. The keynote address was given by eminent Psychologist and film and theatre personality Dr. Mohan Agashe. Issue of child and adolescent were discussed during two days of Conference. A large number of P.G. Psychology students of S.N.D.T. University presented Scientific Papers.

● A National Level Counsellor's Training Programme on ART (HIV/AIDS) was conducted from March 19th to 31st March, 2007. Dr. Mrinalini Purandare coordinated the programme. 20 counsellors from six high prevalence states such as Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra North East participated. Extensive training in various aspects (medical, psychological, legal) with special reference to ART was imparted.

### ● Women Achiever

● Dr. Vibhuti Patel, Director, Department of Post Graduate Studies & Research and Prof. & Head, PG Department of Economics, SNDT Women's University was awarded Women Achiever on International Women's Day.

● Dr. Vibhuti Patel has been appointed as a member of the Expert Committee for School of Gender and Development under 11th Five Year Plan by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi.





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## University Foundation Day Celebrations

S.N.D.T Women's University celebrated its 91<sup>st</sup> Foundation Day on July 5, 2007. The celebrations were held simultaneously at all three Campuses, Churchgate, Juhu & Pune. The function at Churchgate Campus began with an illuminating speech by Madam Vice Chancellor Dr. Chandra KrishnaMurthy followed by an hour of Musical delight presented by Music Department students of B.A. Part III from Arts College, Churchgate, headed by Prof. Sunil Katti. The soulful rendition of bhajans enthralled everyone. Ms. Asha Patil, Project officer, Dept. Adult & Continuing Education, compered the programme. The Department of Student's Welfare presented the students with a book as a mark of appreciation. The function was well attended by both Teaching & Non Teaching Staff Members

**Dr. Madhu Madan** has been appointed as Registrar of S.N.D.T. Women's University.

**Shri. Chandrakant G. Pawar** has taken over as the Finance Officer, of S.N.D.T. Women's University

**Dr. Madhuri Chheda** has taken over as Director, BCUD of SNDT Women's University

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## 8th CYP Diploma in Youth in Development Work Progress Review Meeting at Brunei, Darussalam

Vice Chancellor, **Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy** and the Dean of Students' Welfare & Co-ordinator of CYP, **Smt. Chandra Ganesh** attended the 8th CYP Diploma in Youth in Development Work progress review meeting at Brunei Darussalam from 28th May to 02 June 2007.

Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy chaired a session on "Overview of strategic plan for CYP Asia with focus on YWE&T." She also presented the updates on 1st offering & the proposal for the second offering. This five days programme was well attended by delegates from Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Bangladesh, India, and Maldives.



S.N.D.T. Women's University has started a Diploma in Youth Development. It's an International Diploma. Our objective is to develop the profession of youth workers by instilling right knowledge, attitude, attributes and skills, acquired through formal and non-formal education & training, guided by a Code of Practice and supported by regulatory mechanisms. The students doing this Diploma will receive certificate from both the University and Common Wealth. The first offering will conclude in September 2007 with Convocation. We will be offering the second offering from August 2007. Those Student Youth Workers interested in pursuing this Diploma should contact :

**Dr. Rita Sonawat** - Juhu Campus, **Smt. Chandra Ganesh** - Churchgate Campus &  
**Ms. P. Chikarmane** - Pune Campus. Contact No. - 2207 2209, 2201 8893

### A New book

"Victimisation of School Children' by **Dr. H. L. Kaila** - Just released ....

It's a book which reports Children's Worst Experiences in School. The report is both shocking and, equally, enlightening. It is primarily focused on schools in India, but it could also serve as a wake up call for schools and families all over the world. This book points up the urgent necessity for fundamental changes, both in the way administrators and teachers in schools view their task, as well as in the patterns which exist in the world around them.

Quite a number of schools abuse children and adolescents physically, mentally, emotionally, sexually and existentially which is highlighted in this publication.

Available in Mumbai with RS distributors, tel : 93248-82656.

Publisher : Icon Publications Pvt. Ltd. E-mail [iconpub@eth.net](mailto:iconpub@eth.net) tele : 011 - 23290067.

### New Courses

The Centre for Distance Education of S.N.D.T. Women's University is launching following new professional programmes in order to provide job opportunities to women learners. In the history of Centre for Distance Education its the first time that such professional and job oriented programmes are being launched. The new programmes include : **Diploma in Human Resource Management, P.G. Diploma in Marketing Management, Diploma in BPO Skills (Call Centre Management), and P.G. Diploma in School Counselling.** In order to meet the needs of M.Phil aspirants, a new program of **M.Phil in Sociology** is also being launched by the Centre for Distance Education along with two Certificate Courses - in **Guidance and Counselling** and **English for Communication.** The Centre for Distance Education is also in the process of developing technical courses such as B.C.A., M.C.A., B.Sc. (I.T.), M. Sc. (I.T.) In collaboration with the U.M.I.T. and Department of Computer Science of S.N.D.T. Women's University. The Management Programmes are being launched in collaboration with JDBIMS and M.Phil, in Sociology with P.G. Department of Sociology whereas the School Counselling and Guidance and Counselling courses are being offered in collaboration with P.G. Diploma of Psychology and Department of Guidance and Counselling, S.N.D.T. Women's University. For further details contact -

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### We Appreciate :

"**Mr. Narayan Bargode**, Library Attendant found a pouch with an amount of Rs. 2000/-, first class quarterly pass and library card on 25th April 2007". He handed over the pouch to **Mrs. Meherjyoti Sangte** on 25th April 2007, who had forgotten the pouch on 24th April 2007, in the staff carrel of the library. We record and appreciate the honesty shown by the library staff.

## Indian Social Science Congress

We are happy to invite you and your colleges to the XXXI session of the **Indian Social Science Congress (ISSC)**, which is being hosted by SNDT Women's University and Ambedkar Institute of Social and Economic Change between December 27 and 31, 2007 at Mumbai **Prof. B. L. Mungekar is President. Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy is Chairperson, Dr. Ram Tarneja is Associate Chairman, Dr. N. C. Chaubey is Secretary, Dr. Madhu Madasn is organizing Secretary and Dr. Vibhuti Patel is Programme Secretary of XXXI ISSC. Peoples' Struggles And Movements For Equitable Society is its focal theme.** Intra-inter-and-multi-disciplinary appraisal and interactive dialogues among the researchers, academicians and activists of all branches of science is the central feature of Indian Social Science Congress. It is also open to administrators and policy planners having scientific outlook. There are 26 Intradisciplinary, and 34 Multi-disciplinary and 6 Inter-disciplinary Research Committees in it. One who is engaged in research and teaching in any field of social science or one who is engaged in any social activity involving democratic liberation and growth of peoples or one who is engaged in policy formulations at Government level, is welcome to submit three copies of his/her research paper along with its abstract in triplicate to the undersigned **latest by September 15, 2007.** Please visit our website : [www.issaindia.org](http://www.issaindia.org) [sndt.digitaluniversity.as](http://sndt.digitaluniversity.as) and [www.sndt.ac](http://www.sndt.ac) for further details.



Madam Vice Chancellor Addressing

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## Centre for Distance Education

Women's Activities Portfolio (WAP) of the Ismaili Council for Pune in coordination with Centre for Distance Education SNDT Women's University organized a program at Boat Club on 23rd June 2007 to felicitate women who had rejoined their education after a long break. The UET program of the CDE SNDT provided an ideal platform to them to resume their formal education process.

Dr. Sushama Keskar, Coordinator, sub - centre of CDE, SNDT, presided over this function as Chief Guest and handed over the certificates to successful candidates. In her address she gave a brief history of the SNDT Women's University and emphasized on the importance and advantages of educating women and the impact it can have on their life. The efforts of the CDE staff of the University were also appreciated WAP organizes and promotes activities to empower women and works to upgrade their status in the society through education and other initiatives and has joined hands with Centre. for Distance Education to bring women in to the hold of higher education.



## They have left their Marks

**Dr. Ashwini Dhongde**, Principal, Arts & Comm. Pune., **Dr. D. H. Mehta**, Research Centre of Special Education., **Nrs. Shailaja Fernandes**, Telephone Operator, Juhu Administration, **Shri D. R. Ekbote**, Jr. Clerk, Arts & Comm., **Mrs. Valsala Bhaskaran**, Jr. Typist, University Administration, **Shri. H. B. Kavinkar**, Peon-cum-Llib. Altdt., Library Mumbai., **Smt. Sharda Kulkarni**, Lecturer, S.N.D.T. Home Science, Pune., **Dr. Radha Sinha**, Principal, P.V.P. Juhu, **Mrs. A Joykutty**, Principal, L. T. College of Nursing., **Mrs. Anandavally Nair**, Jr. Stenographer, **Mrs. Lucy D'souza**, Head Clerk, Academic Section, University, **Dr. Daksha Shah**, Lecturer, PVDT College of Education, Mumbai, **Shri. B. V. Bandre**, Peon cum Library Attendant, Library Mumbai have all retired from their services this year. We appreciate their sincere services to the University and wish them a Happy and Healthy retired life.

## Events Organized by the Research Centre for Women's Studies (RCWS)

- As part of its rural outreach programme the Research Centre for Women's Students organized a 3- day health camp from 7-9 February 2007 Pariya, Vatar, and Retlav, Udvada villages of Pardi Taluka. Organized with the cooperation of the staff and students of PV Polytechnic, Mumbai, LT College of Nursing, Mumbai, and Sandra Shroff Rofel College of Nursing, Vapi, the camp provided health check ups / medicines for over 600 women and children.
- To commemorate the International Women's Day, the Research Centre for Women's Studies and the Centre for Rural Development organized a cultural programme on 7 March 2007. The idea was to provide rural women who are part of the RSWS's micro finance programme an opportunity to come together and express their ideas.
- The Research Centre for Women's Studies organized a public lecture on 13 March 2007 by Dr. Valerie Raoul, Professor of Gender Studies at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, in the Committee Room, Juhu Campus, SNDT Women's University. Entitled *Women Writing their Lives: Gender and Autobiography*, the presentation explored autobiographies as a literary genre and discussed the question of women's subjectivity.
- The centre for Canadian Studies organized a two - day National Seminar on Human Rights and Law: Women's Rights as Human Rights on 23-24 March 2007 with the support of the Research Centre for Women's Studies. Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy introduced the theme of the Conference, while the inaugural address was delivered by Justice Sujata Manohar, Retd. Judge. Supreme Court. Some of the important speakers at the conference were : Justice H. Suresh, Prof. Jaya Sagade, Prof. Asha Bajpai, Justice Anant D. Mane, Adv. Indira Jaisingh, Adv. Geetha Ramashesan, Dr. Chayanika Shah, Advocate Oshik Sircar, Advocate Uma Saumya, Justice Roshan Dalvai, Adv. Veena Gowda. Advocate Mini Mathew, Sharmila Kaushik, Justice S. Radhakrishna, Bina Srinivasan, Nandini Manjrekar, Indavi Tulpule, Johanna Lokhande and Ms. Trupti Panchal. The discussion centred around a wide range of issues from the role of the United Nations on protecting women's rights to the Constitutional protections in India and the way in which legal mechanisms to protect women could be strengthened.

### Best State Level NSS Volunteer Award

**Kum. Divya Nandlal Mangnani** of Dr. Bhanuben Mahendra Nanavati College of Home Science Matunga won the Best State Level NSS Volunteer Award. She received the Award at the hands of **Shri. Dilip Valse Patil**, Minister of Higher & Technical Education, Maharashtra

### SPORTS CAMP

The Department of Physical Education in collaboration with the SNDT Arts & Com. College, Churchgate conducted the Summer Vacation Sports Coaching Camp from April 10 to 24, 2007, from 7.30a.m. to 10.30 a.m., at the Churchgate Campus in the games of Basketball, Volleyball, Chess and Table Tennis as well as daily warming-up fitness sessions, relays and introductory sessions in yoga, aerobics. Meditation, rope mallakhamb, taekwondo, etc.

Around 90 students both boys and girls participated in the camp. Assembly, camp prayer, fitness session, recreation games were daily held. The campers included the importance of fitness, sports discipline, need for personality building, joys of sports and the values of sports camp.

The Honourable  
Vice Chancellor  
**Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy**,  
inaugurating "Swami Satyamitranandji  
Maharaj" Auditorium in the presence of Mr.  
Kamlesh Sojatia, Chairman Sojatia Education  
Group and Mrs. Vijaya Sojatia, Hon. Secretary,  
SDRS Women's College, INDORE.



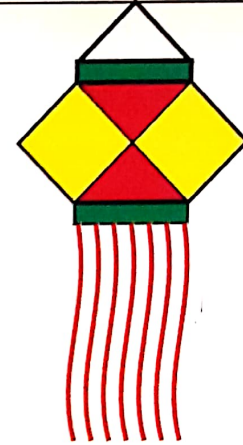




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### **SNDT Women's University's Times Centre for Youth Development and Research Launched.**

*SNDT Women's University's Times Centre for Youth Development and Research was launched on 26th Sep. 2007 at the hands of Padmashree Hema Malini, Hon'ble Member of Rajyasabha. Shri Ram Maheshvari Times Foundation's General Manager was also present along with the members of SNDT family and Times Foundation. The vision of the centre is to identify the youth and develop their Dreams (Dynamic, Realizable Efforts to Attain and Maintain Success) and their own future.*

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## **GRAND FINALE OF YUVA MAHOTSAV 2007**

The four days of Yuva Mahotsav 2007, organised by Department of Students Welfare of S.N.D.T University, provided a great platform to all the students who came from Maharashtra, Gujarat, Mumbai, Madhya Pradesh & Goa.

Three successful regional festival were held at Smt. P.N. Doshi College Ghatkopar, Mumbai., Smt. W. K. Bhagini, Dhule and J. G. College of Education Ahmedabad. The winners from these regional rounds competed at the grand finale, which showcased the best performers.

Dr. Jagannathrao Hegde, Ex-Sheriff of Mumbai, graced the inauguration. Adding to the exuberant mood was the presence of the versatile actor Mr.

Rajeev Paul who immensely enjoyed the performances. The veteran theatre artiste Mr. Tom Alter and his mother, the beloved 'Babuji' of Khichdi fame Mr. Anang Desai and his talented wife Adv. Chitra Desai, graced the event and added to the charm. The dignitaries who graced the valedictory function were Shri. Rajiv K. Bajaj Vice President of Sahara Samay, Mumbai, Shri. Rajendra Gupta eminent TV and cinema artiste, Shri. Sai Ram Iyer and Shri. Jasvinder Singh eminent singers.



### **The Championship Trophies for the various Events at the Grand Finale**

- Literary Championship - Usha Mittal Institute Of Technology
- Fine Arts Championship - S.N.D.T. Arts and Commerce College, Pune
- Music Championship - S.M.R.K. U.G. College, Nashik
- Dance Championship - Shri. Swaminarayan Physiotherapy College, Kododara
- Theatre Championship - S.N.D.T. College of Arts and S.C.B. College Of Commerce and Science for Women

- Overall Championship Trophy - Usha Mittal Institute Of Technology
- Runners Up Championship Trophy - S.N.D.T. Arts and Commerce College, Pune

### **Grand finale - A Glance**



Runner up - SNDT Arts & Com. College Pune



Classical Dance



Folk Dance



Champions - UMIT

## S. N. D. T REGIONAL YUVA MAHOTSAV FINAL RESULTS

This year three regional festivals were organized, J. G College of Education at Ahmedabad for Gujarat colleges, Shri P. N. Doshi College for Mumbai Colleges and W K B College of Arts, Commerce, for Maharashtra Colleges. Nearly 2800 students participated from 67 Colleges of SNDT Women's University.

### S.N.D.T Yuva Mahotsav 2007 REGIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL, Gujarat J. G. College of Education, Ahmedabad

- Regional Literary Trophy - Swami Narayan Physiotherapy Kadodara.
- Regional Dance Trophy - KPKUM, Kadi
- Regional Theatre Trophy - Kameshwar College, Ahmedabad
- Regional Fine Arts Trophy - Swami Narayan, Physiotherapy Kadodara
- Regional Runner Up Trophy - Physiotherapy College, Godhara
- Regional Overall Championship Trophy - Swami Narayan Physiotherapy Kadodara



Regional Festival - Gujarat

### S.N.D.T Yuva Mahotsav 2007 REGIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL Smt. P. N.Doshi Women's College of Arts

- Regional Literary Championship - Usha Mittal Institute of Technology, Juhu
- Regional Fine Arts Championship - P.V. Polytechnic, Juhu
- Regional Music Championship - SNDT Arts & Commerce College, Churchgate
- Regional Dance Championship Smt. P.N. Doshi Women's College, Ghatkopar
- Regional Theatre Championship. C.U Shah Pharmacy College, Juhu
- Regional Runner Up Trophy - M.D.Shah Mahila College, Malad
- Regional Overall Championship Trophy- SNDT Arts & Commerce College, Churchgate



Regional Festival - Mumbai

### S.N.D.T Yuva Mahotsav 2007 REGIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL Smt. W.K. Bhagini College, Dhule

- Regional Literary Championship - SNDT Home Science, Pune
- Regional Fine Arts Championship - SNDT Arts & Commerce, Pune
- Regional Music Championship - SMRK, Nashik
- Regional Dance Championship - SNDT Home Science, Pune
- Regional Theatre Championship SNDT Arts & Commerce, Pune
- Regional Runner Up SNDT Home Science, Pune
- Regional Overall Championship Trophy - SNDT Arts & Commerce, Pune



Regional Festival - Dhule

### Correction

**Dr. D. H. Mehta, Reader, Centre for Special Education  
will be retiring in the month of December. We wish her all the best**

## Common Wealth Youth Development Programme

The Enrollment for **Diploma in Youth Development** has already started. It will be an International Diploma in Youth Development. The objective is to develop the profession of youth work comprising knowledge, attitude, attributes and skills, acquired through formal and non-formal education & training, guided by a Code of Practice and supported by regulatory mechanisms. The students doing this Diploma will receive certificates from both the University and Common Wealth Secretariat, London.

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## MENTORING WORKSHOP

Department of Psychology organized a Workshop on 'Teacher Student Mentoring Process' for 35 faculty members for the SNDT Women's University on 24th September 2007. This was conducted by Dr. Harish Shetty.

### Paper Presentation

Dr. H. L. Kaila, Prof. & Head, Dept. of Psychology presented a paper. Indian Schools : A critical review at the 1st Australasia regional conference at Sunday, 3 - 5 October 2007.

## CONFERRMENT OF HONARARY RANK OF 'COLONEL' TO VICE CHANCELLOR

In an appropriate military ceremony, **Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy**, Vice-Chancellor, S.N.D.T. Women's University has been conferred the prestigious Honorary rank of 'Colonel' for her distinguished patronage and purposeful association for the furtherance of NCC activities enhancement of the corps.

The special conferring ceremony was presided over by Brigadier R.C. Shard, Deputy Director General, N.C.C. Directorate, Maharashtra, on the 5th October 2007. A large number of Armed Forces Officers- **CMDE B K PATNAIK, DIRECTOR, NCC DTE, MAH, COL J K TIWARI, SC, GP CDR, GP-A, GP CAPT A V MOKASHI, YSM, GP CDR, GP-B, COL B R DAS, CO, 5 MAH GIRLS BN, NCC & other officers**

N.C.C. Officers and N.C.C. cadets of the University and University Officers and Students attended the programme.



## National Consultation on Rethinking Women's Education

The Department of Continuing and Adult Education, S.N.D.T. Women's University had organized a three-day National Consultation on Re-thinking Women's Education - current concerns, challenges and future directions from September 5 - 7, 2007. Principal of all conducted and affiliated colleges and Heads of P. G. Departments at Churchgate, Juhu and Pune campus attended this consultation.

The consultation was inaugurated by Prof. Aditya Shastri, Vice - Chancellor, Banasthali Vidyapeeth, Rajasthan. Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Vice - Chancellor, SNDT Women's University presided over the function.

During consultation, broad topics namely Challenges in Higher Education for the current curricular contents, pedagogy and applications, issues related to governance and practice in academic institutions etc were discussed at length. The participants of the consultation have prepared action points on the above issues.

## Avishkar :

'Avishkar' - State Level Research Competition for Promotion of Academic Culture has been initiated by His Excellency, Governor of Maharashtra Shri S. M. Krishna for providing platform for expression of research talent of students. Research component plays an important role for academic excellence and national development.

For the academic year 2007-08, SNDT Women's University has been selected as the host of AVISHKAR. Hon. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy is chairperson of this historic event. All Universities from Maharashtra are requested to send 2 entries each at Under Graduate, Post Graduate and Research Scholars levels under six categories -

1. Humanities, Languages, Fine Arts, Social work, Education." 2. Commerce, Management Law 3. Pure Science 4. Agriculture and Animal Husbandry. 5. Engineering and Technology. 6. Medicine Pharmacy.

Thus maximum of 36 entries are allowed as explained above. For further details please contact Dr. Vibhuti Patel, Organising Secretary, Avishkar. Director, PGRS, 6th floor, Patkar Hall building, Smt. Nathibai Road, Mumbai - 400 020. Phone 22052970 Mobile - 09321040048. E-mail : vibhuti.np@gmail.com



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## 31ST INDIAN SOCIAL SCIENCE CONGRESS

SNDT Women's University in collaboration with Indian Academy of Social Sciences and Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Institute of Social and Economic Change had organised 31st session of Indian Social Science Congress (XXXI ISSC) on 'Peoples' Struggles And Movements for Equitable Society' with a view to discover, develop and disseminate new scientific knowledge relevant to create a new democratic global society free from hunger, poverty, illiteracy, unemployment and violence of any sort and where all men, women and children would be able to enjoy equally, higher quality of life and live in tranquillity and harmony with Nature and Society.

All local, regional, national and international peoples' struggles and movements for the realization of various human rights goals were debated with an interdisciplinary perspective.

Around 800 participants from India and abroad took part in this mega event with 22 inter-disciplinary,

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intra-disciplinary and multidisciplinary research committees actively working for the last one year.

The 31st Indian Social Science Congress was inaugurated on December 27, 2007 by the former Vice Chancellor of Mumbai University and Member of the Planning Commission, Dr. Balachandra Mungekar at the SNDT University's Patkar Hall. The venue was appropriate for the theme of the 31st Congress, SNDT



University that is co-hosting the congress is itself a symbol and outcome of such a movement for women's education. SNDT's Vice Chancellor Dr Chandra Krishnamurthy succinctly put the conference in perspective, "If there is a people's movement emerging, then it is in response to a need to correct something in society". The theme of organising to challenge existing norms and practices is of course the dominant theme of the Indian Social Science Academy (ISSA). As Professor Arun Kumar its co-chair said that it was set up in 1974 as a revolt against the current idiom

of higher education. Under Dr. Chaubey's indefatigable direction the ISSA has not only survived against odds, but garnered a large support base among progressive scientists across the sciences.

While the papers presented, the symposia and the deliberations touched upon a wide range of issues and research topics, the overwhelming and deep concern echoing throughout the Congress was for the systematic efforts to dismantle people's struggles and movements and the wipe out the gains of historic struggles. Whether it was labour movements, peace movements, women's struggles, environment related movements or child rights movements, there has been an erosion of gains of the past. As was repeatedly pointed out, the objectives of people's struggles were not so much about equity and justice but rather about the preconditions for achieving those, that is, desperate and urgent livelihood issues. This is what globalisation and unregulated liberalisation has meant.

Professor Mungekar set the tone with his inaugural address dealing with inequities and inequalities showing how there were deep structural fault lines that cause the persistence of these divides. This state of affairs is further aggravated by injustices perpetrated in civil society.

Public Speakers included galaxy of intellectual giants such as Dr. Sukhdev Thorat, UGC Chairperson, Smt. Medha Patkar, and Dr. Anil Kakodkar, Chairman BARC and Prof. Dr. Ranjit Sau from Bihar. The cultural programme which were organized in the evening were well appreciated by all.

## Achievements

We congratulate the Department of Students' Welfare for forming the University team of students belonging to different colleges and training them to participate at the State, Zonal and National Level Youth Festivals. We are happy that our student have won the following prizes:-

- **Indradhanushya** - (Aurangabad) : 8 prizes  
1st Prize in Classical Vocal, 2nd prize in non-percussion, Light Vocal Solo, Western Solo, Folk Orchestra and One Act Play, Skit and Classical Dance.
- **West Zone Inter university Festival** - Gwalior : 4 prizes  
1st Prize in Skit, Second prize in Indian Group Song and Folk dance and 3rd prize in Classical dance.
- **Golden Girl** - Minal Awalkar won the Golden Girl award for all-round best Performance (Rs. 5000/-)

## Around The Campus

### Books Published

- SNDT NEWSLINE congratulates Prof. S. S. Kaptan for being awarded by the State Government of Maharashtra for his outstanding book on 'Management Thinking of Sant Ramdas'.
- Book co-edited by Dr. Ravindra R.P, C.U. Shah College of Pharmacy, SNDT women's University, Mumbai "Breaking the Moulds-Indian Men Look at Patriarchy, Looking at Men" published by Books for Change, 2007, was released and widely reviewed.
- Prof. Vibhuti Patel has authored a chapter on Gender Issues for Mumbai - Human Development Report, 2007-08 of Bombay Municipal Corporation sponsored and published by RCUES-All India Institute of Local Self Governemtn, India and UNDP, Delhi.

### "A free counseling and Mediation cell"

Times Centre for Youth Development and Research was launched to help the youth understand themselves and solve their stress related problems. The youth of today are facing various problems viz. inter personal relationship problems, examination phobia, love related problems, family problems etc. They rarely have anybody to communicate and give them the right direction. They require the right pull or push in the right direction.

With this aim in view, "A free counseling and Mediation Cell" was started on 3rd Dec. 2007 under the 'Times Centre for Youth Development and Research'. The cell will be opened twice a week on **Mondays and Thursdays from 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. at the Centre's office.**

This facility is open to all female youth with problems, which can be solved with right mediation and right guidance .



### MOU SINGED

SNDT Women's University signed an MOU with Times Foundation on 14th Dec. 2007 towards Times Centre for Youth Development and Research at Juhu and Palghar. Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Dr. Madhu Madan, Shri Ram Maheshwari and Smt. Chandra Ganesh in the picture

### Life Coaching Workshop

Times Centre for Youth Development and Research, and Soham Academy had organized Life Coaching Workshop for SNDT students on 18th-19th December, 2007 in Committee Room, Juhu Campus. The main objective of this Workshop was to apprise the youth about the issues concerning body and mind and help them to develop right habits to have a positive life. Nearly 70 to 80 students participated in this workshop.

### Appointment :

Prof. Vibhuti Patel is inducted in the team of Experts to prepare Human Development Report fo Greater Mumbai, Published by Bombay Municipal Corporation to be released on 26-1-2008 by Governor of Maharashtra.

### Visits Abroad

#### UNIFEM Seminar

Dr. Veena Poonacha was a special invitee of the UNIFEM Informs Seminar on 23 November 2006 in Adelaide/ She delivered a lecture entitled *No Single Path : Cultural Perspectives in Overcoming Domestic Violence*. This seminar was presented by UNIFEM Austrslia and the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre, University of South Australia.

## **NSS Volunteers participating at R D and SRD parade**

Our students have been selected to participate at the RD parade at Delhi and SRD parade at Mumbai. Ms. Gune Rasika of Dr. BMN College of Home Science, Matunga has been selected to participate at the Republic Day Parade. She is one of the 12 NSS Volunteers selected from Maharashtra.

Ms. Deepali Havaldar, Ms. Trishala Panchal and Ms. Aarati Mishra of SMRK Arts and H.Sc. College and Samanta D'Souza of Dr. B.M.N. College of H.Sc., Matunga have been selected to participate at the state Republic Day Parade.

They have been selected out of 400 NSS Volunteers sent from 20 Universities of Maharashtra.

### **Ambassador of Goodwill**

Rotary Foundation Awarded Rotary Grant for University Teacher Dr. Rita Sonawat as an Ambassador of Goodwill, she was invited as visiting Professor at Atma Jaya Jogiyakarta University, Indonesia for three months. She taught Research Methodology for International students in the department of Economics and Political science. She was invited to teach in other cities also like Solo, Samarang, Bandung, Jakarta and Bali.

### **NSS Leadership Camp at Maniben Nanavati College, Vile Parle**

NSS Cell had organized a three days Leadership Camp for NSS Volunteers students at Maniben Nanavati College, Vile Parle from 10-11-12 Dec., 2007. More than 80 NSS volunteers participated in this camp. The Leadership Camp was inaugurated by Prof. V. V. Dalvie, Jt. Secretary to the Governor and Mr. M. S. Jambhule. Asst. Programme Advisor, NSS Regional Cell, Pune.

Following topics were covered at the Leadership Camp : Leadership Skills and Making of the leaders, Creating Social awareness through Street Play, Communication Skill, Nutrition and Health, Goal Setting and Motivation, Physical Fitness, Personality Development and Know Yourself and Disaster Management.

### **NSS OPEN UNIT INAUGURATION**

NSS Open Unit of centre for Distance Education was inaugurated by Mrs. Chandra Ganesh, NSS Coordinator on 9th December 2007. Dr. Chandrakant Puri delivered welcome address. Ms. Naghma Firdaus, Manager, Times Foundation was Chief Guest on the occasion.



## **Aavishkar**

*SNDT Women's University is hosting Marashtra State level inter University research Oriented youth festival 'Aavishkar' from 10th Jan to 12th Jan at Churchgate Campus under the aegis of his excellency the Governor of Maharashtra. 800 students from 20 universities are participating in this festival.*

### **They have left their marks**

Prof. Anant Deshmukh, (P. G. Marathi), Shri S. S. Paranjpe, (SPP Unit), University, Dr. Pundalik. (Language Laboratory P-G) have all retired after serving the University for many years. We wish them all the best.