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SNDT WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY HAS LAUNCHED EDUCATION THROUGH MOBILE

SNDT Women's University has initiated Education and Exam through Mobile believes that Distance Learning and eventually virtual Universities, provide a viable alternative to formal learning that many in this country are not privy to. However today high-quality educational content in video and interactive form is not easily available. Seven IIT's in the Country under the National Project on Technology Enhanced Learning, or NPTEL, have done extensive work to create resources to serve all engineering students all over India. SNDT Women's University has teamed with HP Labs Edu Centre and NPTEL to demonstrate the value of putting video and interactive content into a digital library.

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SNDT Women's University has entered in to a strategic alliance to develop and disseminate mobile education, an additional vehicle in distance learning to reach the masses for remote teaching and learning in rural communities and physically challenged. This alliance sees the content developed & managed by SNDT University, Tata Indicom on its service channels becoming the carrier, Atom Technologies, providing the intermediary Interfaces and IPTL (through Pay Phones' Welfare Association and 500,000 constituent members) providing the Service distribution and dissemination system. This alliance has put together a new paradigm in providing Mobile Education and thereby covering far flung and remote areas in the country as also assist to bridge the physical distances using CDMA technology. The M Education offered will have contemporary content and provides the much needed value addition to the student. Under this model, the mobile phone undergoes a metamorphosis from a device that allows you access to voice and text messaging, it transforms into one that helps you access accredited educational content, take mock tests on the move, regardless of geographies or physical constraints. The Mobile Education Programme was inaugurated by His Excellency, **Dr. S. M. Krishna** Governor of Maharashtra and Chancellor of the university on 23rd Jan 2008.

Avishkar : Inter-University Research Competition for Universities in Maharashtra

The Shreemati Nathibai Damodar Thakersey Women's University hosted the second state level Inter-University Research Competition "**AVISHKAR-2007-08**". His Excellency **Dr. S. M. Krishna**, Chancellor mooted the concept of providing a platform/opportunity for expression of research talent in students. It is for inculcating research culture and original thinking in students. Such type of activity is essential in the era of intellectual property rights with the implementaiton of WTO-GATS and patenting of research. To make the country competent and competitive, promoting reseach activities at the right



Inauguration of Avishkar, 2008
by Dr. Joyce Shekaran
on 10-1-2008 at 11am



Inauguration of Exhibitions based on research projects for Avishkar by Pro. VC Dr. S. S. Mantha, Vice Chancellor Dr. Vijay Khole of Mumbai University with others in the picture.

age is the only solution. The First Avishkar was organised during February 2007 at Rashtra Sant Tukdoji Maharaj Nagpur University in Nagpur. The Categaroties are ● Humanities, Languages, Fine Arts etc. (60) ● Commerce, Management, Law etc. (55) ● Pure Sciences (75) ● Agriculture and Animal Husbandry (36) ● Engineering and Technology (60) ● Medicine and Pharmacy (55) We received 341 entries this year from 18 universities. The festival was organised for three days. The host university provided local hospitality to the team members and infrastructure for exhibition and exhibition of research projects. Avishkar, 08 was inaugurated by **Smt. Joyce Shankaran**, Additional Chief Secretary, Department



Valedictory function of Avishkar Where Prof. Vinayak Dalvie was the Guest of honour, 12-1-2008

of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Maharashtra. Electrifying the atmosphere with her speech, she said "The enthusiastic participation of students from all over Maharashtra with 341 exhibitions material prepared by them . Convinces us that future of Maharashtra is really bright".

Discourse by the eminent scholars on law, media and Modern medicine and public health were well received by the students.

Valedictory function was held on 12th Jan. 2008.

Chief guest was **Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy** and Guest of Honour was **Prof. Vinayak Dalvie, Jt. Secretary to the Governor of Maharashtra.**

Theme song for Avishkar was written by **Prof. Vinayak Dalvie** and composed by **Dr. Sunil Katti** of Music Department of SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.

Pune University won the overall Championship Trophy.

Mumbai University won the Runner - up Championship Trophy.



Students of PGSR performing folk dance of Maharashtra at cultural programme at Avishkar on 10-1-2008.

Tejaswini Contest

The Department of Students' Welfare successfully conducted the Tejaswini Contest 2008 from 15th to 18th January, 2008 at the Churchgate Campus. 56 students participated from all the SNDT colleges, from Maharashtra & Gujarat. This contest was organised to select the **overall Best student** of the university.

Various types of competitions were organized like **Quiz, Essay writing, Extempore speech, Physical fitness test, Group Discussion and Open interview.** The contestants underwent

these tests and were adjudged by eminent judges, viz. **Mr. Bharat Parekh, G.M.** - General Manager (Special Project) Aditya Birla Management Group Ltd., **Quaid Najmi** - Chief of Bureau-Indo-Asian News service, **Ms Nilufer Akhtar** - Advocate, High Court, **Ms. Sheetal Mahajan** - (New World Record April for first women in the World for parachute jump on North pole & South pole without practice in minus 37oC. from 2400 ft.) and others.



Pro. Vice Chancellor Prof. S. S. Mantha Lighting the lamp.

WINNERS OF TEJASWINI 2007-08 (Best student of the year)

The Department of Students' Welfare has given 6 special prizes for the following. ● Best Academic performance - **Ms. Seema Patil**, N. C. Gandhi College, Bhavnagar. ● Best in Physical Fitness - **Ms. Dayma Prachi Ghansham**, S.N.D.T. College of Home Science, Pune, ● Best in Group Discussion - **Ms. Barkha . Dodja**,

P. N. Doshi College, Ghatkopar. ● Best in Quiz - **Ms. Amrita Jaykumar**, U.M.I.T. Juhu Campus.

● Best in Essay - **Ms. Namrata Phalke**, S.N.D.T. Arts & Commerce, Pune ● Best in Extempore Speech - **Ms. Meghana Nair**, P. G. Department of Social Work, Churchgate.

● Tejaswini 2008 - **Namrata Phalke-S.N.D.T. Arts & Comm. College, Pune**

● 1st Runner Up - **Meghna Nair - Dept. of Social Work (Continuing & Adult Education)**

● 2nd Runner Up - **Vaisali Salvai - Dept. of Continuing & Adult Education)**

The winners were presented with Bouques, Sashes, Trophies & Cash Prizes from the Department of Students' Welfare



Registrar Dr. Madhu Madan with the Tejaswinis of 2008



Tejaswinis

National Champions

National Youth Festival winners with the Vice Chancellor, Registrar, Dean of Students and Principal B. B. Pradhan
We won 1st prize in Skit, Folk Dance and Indian Group Song at the National Youth Festival at Kolhapur



Annual Convocation

*The 57th Annual Convocation will be held
on 5th Feb. 2008 at 4 p.m.*

at Pathar Hall, SNDT, Churchgate, Mumbai 400 020

More than Twenty thousand students will be receiving Degrees and Diplomas this year

Hon'ble Chancellor His Excellency Dr. S. M. Krishna will preside over the function.



AN ENLIGHTENED WOMAN IS THE SOURCE OF STRENGTH



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From Vice Chancellor's Desk

Dear SNDTites,

I extend warm seasons' greetings to each and every member of SNDT family. I express my sincere appreciation to all members for active participation in all of our endeavours viz. SAUFEST, Regional Youth Festivals, Grand Finale of Youth Festivals, XXXI Indian Social Science Congress, Avishkar, Launch of Times Centre for Youth Development & Research, Mobile Education, Education on Wheels; Education at doorstep, to name a few collective endeavours. Many many individual endeavours of the members of the SNDT family need our acknowledgment and appreciation. We feel proud of individual achievers who have brought laurels to our University. **Dr. Singh** of C. U. Shah has received encomiums from across the world for her **nano neem** patent. **Dr. Bharti Sen** has been enlisted in the who's who of world in science and engineering. **Dr. Vasuda Kamat** has been selected to be the Jt. director of NCERT (on deputation) **Dr. Vibhuti Patel** is indicted

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as a member of Editorial Committee for seventh survey of Research in Education of NCERT, Government of India. **Dr. Pratima Tatke** has been felicitated with an award for Excellence (2008) in Pharmacy. **Dr. Chandrakant Puri** has been nominated as the member of steering Committee of the Association of Commonwealth of Universities, London. **Dr. Kasturi Ray** is selected to be one of the experts of Beijing Olympics.



We had the first Graduation Ceremony of the Commonwealth Youth Programme in which 77 out of 150 students received their Diploma Certificates from Commonwealth Secretariat, London and SNDT Women's University. Our Jagruti Project, adopting 400 under privileged students and training them in Personality Development, Communication Skills and Employability Skills has had training Programmes organized thrice already at different venues.

We are growing horizontally & vertically too. Our Colleges like **Jankidevi Bajaj Institute of Management Studies**, **C. U. Shah Pharmacy** and **P. V. Polytechnic College** are expanding with new floors added to their building. We have been fortunate in getting **financial support** from various quarters. We have received **11 Crores** from world funding agency **WFATM** for the western region (MP, Maharashtra and Goa). **University Grant Commission** has granted 2.5 crores for setting up Centre for studying **Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy**, Avabai Wadia Trust has given 2 crores to the **Centre for Women's Studies** - Library development, Times Foundation has promised to give 1 crore for our building at Palghar. So we have named our centre for Youth Development as **Times Centre for Youth Development & Research**. Now they have also promised to fund us for the establishment of **Health Centre at Juhu**.

New academic year is on the eastern horizon. We look forward to more positive challenges. We have also planned to develop a Jogger's Track in our Pune Campus, and also at Palghar along the wall. We have also planned to plant nearly 4000 saplings along the wall at Palghar, with all the support from every member of the SNDT family.

We believe in **Collaboration, Coordination, Cooperation and Integration**

With warmest regards.

Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy

Vice Chancellor

SNDT Stalwarts Felicitated at TISS

Out of the six outstanding women who were felicitated at TISS for their immense contribution to Women's Studies, four were from SNDT Women's University viz **Dr. Suma Chitnis** (Ex. Director, TISS & Ex. V. C. SNDT Women's University), **Prof. Kamalini Bhansali** (Ex. Registrar & Ex. V. C. SNDT Women's University), **Dr. Neera Desai** (Ex. Director, PGSR & Ex. Director, Research Centre for Women's Studies RCWS & SNDT Women's University), **Dr. Maithreyi Krishnaraj** (Ex. Director, RCWS) along with **Armiti Desai** (Ex. Director TISS) and **Prof. Pushapa Bhave** (Indian Association for Women's Studies). The Centre had also prepared lovely panels on each of them capturing rare pictures profiling their contribution and milestones in their lives.

In her opening remarks, Prof. Lingam stated that the CWS was established in 1983 by Prof. Suma Chitnis with active support of Dr. Armiti Desai, then Director of TISS. She said, "The Centre is privileged to present special citations to six pioneers of women's studies movement in India". Citations for them were read out by Prof. Chayya Datar, Prof. Vidyut Bhagwat, Dr. Nishi Mitra, Prof. Vibhuti Patel, Prof. Lakshmi Lingam and Ms. Pradnya Pawar. Citations were based on exhaustive research on personal and public life, intellectual contribution and systemic/institutional inputs given by these six women for challenging subordination of women and pro-actively furthering women's cause. Prof. S. Parsuraman, Director, TISS gave floral tributes, memento and saree to each of them and said that the faculty



Six outstanding SNDT stalwarts with other members of the SNDT family

of the TISS and all distinguished guests (mostly from SNDT Women's University- Principals, Directors, Heads, teaching and research staff of both Churchgate and Juhu Campus who had closely worked with these six heroines of women's studies) present in the function were privileged to felicitate these remarkable decision makers, practitioners and contributors to women's studies.

SNDT launches the results on the mobile handset

SNDT Women's University has launched Examination results on the mobile Handset for the Examinations (April May 2008) for the first time. Log on to sndt.mobile.com

SNDT Woman's University, TTSL, HP Labs, & Indian PCO Teleservices Ltd have entered into a strategic alliance to develop and disseminate mobile education for remote teaching and learning in rural communities and physically challenged. The alliance has the following features:

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Interface on Tata Indicom service channels

Service distribution/dissemination: IPTL (through Pay Phones' Welfare Association and 500,000 constituent members)

Research partner: HP Labs

• Service operative since 1st May 2008 • Students can opt for several features like • Prepare for Competitive Exams • Learn Vedic Mathematics • Entertainment • General Knowledge • Learn cookery and upload recipes. Log on to essential services

Personality Development Workshop at Begum Jamila College Of H. SC. Sndheri on 2nd to 5th April, 2008.

As apart of the project 'Jagruti' a series of Personality Development Programme to develop the positive personality traits in them and instil in them qualities viz co-operation, altruism, integrations and friendship qualities. Times Centre for Youth Development and Research has planned number of programme throughout the year. To begin with, a four day workshop at Begum Jamila College of H. Sc., Andheri from 2nd to 5th April, 2008.

Smt. Chandra Ganesh, Director, Times Centre for Youth Development and Research inaugurated the workshop and took a session on Personality Development. Talking on the important traits which develop the positive blooming of individual personality. Then the personality test (16F) was administrated to all the students after which they interacted with her for an hour. The detail analysis of the test will be don and preserved as data.

The second day of session began with **Cap. Choudhary** introducing the techniques of impressive communication to the participants, which was followed by **Adv. Chitra Desai's** session on "Women and Law". **The third day** began



with an interactive session on Rebalancing of life with **Ms. Pratibha Singh** of Core Academy, which was followed by session on "Scientific basis of Yoga" by **Smt. Anjali Joglekar**.

The fourth day began with the Physical Fitness session by **Ms. Linda Dennis** and which was followed by "Leadership Qualities" by **Dr. Reeta Sonawat**.

Personality Development Workshop- 13th -15th May,2008 at Juhu Campus

SNDT Women's University's Times Centre for the youth Development and Research had organized a three days workshop in collaboration with Lotus Academy, Mumbai from 13th, 14th, and 15th of May 2008. Following were the topics covered at the workshop Grooming and Etiquette, Personality and development, Women and law, Goal setting and Decision Making.

Nearly 50 students participated in this 3 days workshop. On the first day, the topics covered were skin care, hair care, etiquette and Grooming. This was effectively



conducted by Ms. Priya Mishra of Lotus Academy.

On the second day, Ms. Avantika of Lotus Academy explained about the personality development. She covered communication skills, certain positive personality traits which helps in the growth of personality.

On the 3rd day, Smt. Nirmala Sawant Prabhawalkar, Ex Mayor of Mumbai and Ex-Chairperson of Maharashtra

Women's Commission, explained about the importance of knowing the relevant laws which protect women and how to utilize that knowledge in protecting one's interest. Prof. KVR Sastry's session on Goal setting and Decision making made the youth clearly understand about how to set goal in life and achieve it and how to develop the power of decision making. These workshops and seminars on Personality Development will be organized regularly through out the year by TCDYR.

Around the Campus

National Seminars :

- Post Graduate Department of Hindi organized a National Seminar on Mahadevi Verma: A Revaluation to celebrate her Centenary Year on 26-3-08,
- Post Graduate Department of History organized a National Seminar on Heritage of Mumbai-Continuity and Challenges. Exhibition of coins capturing history of Mumbai was also organized during the event on 21-22 February, 2008
- Post Graduate Department of Applied Linguistics organized 3-day National Seminar on Power of Language & Mass Media-A Socio-Communicative Perspective." On 25, 26, 27 March, 2008. To understand different aspects of this positive and negative power of language, the department is holding a National Seminar on "Power of language in mass media : A socio communicative perspective" from 25th March to 27th March 2008. This seminar attempted to see how language is used, misused and abused by the media to attain the desired results. It aimed to study how 'forms' as well as 'contents' of communicative expressions are used to create and destroy social order. The sub themes of the seminar were: Policies of media and the use of language as a tool to sensationalize issues. Media and the psychology of the audience. Media and Gender bias. Language of advertisement: Code mixing and code switching, Entertainment business: TV serial and reality shows and their impact on children, youth and women.
- SNDT College of Arts and SCB College of Commerce and Science organised National Seminars on "Economics of Infrastructure on 16-17 April 2008 and "Empowerment of Women" on 11-12 April, 2008.

State Level Seminars

- The Dept. of Applied Linguistics held a State level Seminar on 18th March, 08 on Saahitiyak Kritiyon ka anuvaad: samasyaaen aur samaadhaan Hinditar saahitya ke sandarbha mein' on translation, it was funded by Maharashtra Rajya Hindi Sahitya Academy. On 1-3-08, **Dr. K. S. Ingole** gave lecture on the Union Budget, 2008-09 at Dr. Ambedkarite Law Network at Chabildas Dadar, and his series of articles on the same appeared in Samrat, Marathi Newspaper on 1-3-2008.

CET Exam

- All India CET exam was held for the first time for Fashion Designing Course (Degree Course) at different centres for SNDT Colleges offering Fashion Design Technology and Craft Course. The students filled the entrance form on line for 12 institutions all over the country.

Foreign Visit :

- **Dr. H. L. Kaila**, Prof. & Head, Dept. of Psychology, presented a paper 'New Paradigm of Midical care for Persons with Disability' - A Multi-Country Action Research Joint Initiative of WHO/DAR & AIFO/Italy, Mid-initiative Verification Meeting at Rome (Italy), 10-12 December 2007.

- **Dr. Chandrakant Puri**, Director Centre for Distance Education, SNDT Women's University was invited as a Guest Speaker by Association of Commonwealth Universities, London for a seminar organized at the University of Ghana, Africa on "Effective Discrimination of Research Result". Dr. Puri presented on "Poverty Reduction Using open & Distance Learning Methodoloy". Dr. Puri also participated at (WARIMA) West African Research & Innovation & Management Association



workshop also hosted by University of Ghana. Dr. Puri was also invited by the World Association of NGOs (WANGO), Ghana Branch to interact with its members on 'Strategies of development for indigenous people in India'.

- **Dr. Bharati Sen** has been invited by the United Nations Environmental Programme World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) and the World Health Organisation (WHO) to Geneva as an expert to participate in a workshop to develop 2010 Biodiversity Indicators.

9th R. D. Karve Memorial Lecture Series

- Department of continuing & Adult Education and Extension work organised 9th R. D. Karve Memorial Lecture Series on the theme of Population Education on 18th March 2008 in which **Dr. R. K. Sinha** of international Institute of Population Sciences, Mumbai and **Dr. Snigdha Mehta** gave lectures on "Female Age at Marriage and Law" and "Importance of Fitness for women" respectively.

A talk

- Post Graduate Department of English organised a talk by **Prof. Sarah Grow** on Women's issues in Contemporary American Society on 2nd April, 2008.

SNDT signs an MOU with University of South Australia

Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthi, Hon. Vice Chancellor of SNDT women's University and Premier of University of South Australia signed MOU for an academic collaboration to the mutual benefit within the fields of Women's and Gender Studies, Communication, Cultural Studies, Anthropology, Health Sciences, Business Development and Marketing, Human Rights, Ethics, Sociology, Education and other Multidisciplinary Areas on 19th March 2008. Principals, Directors, Co-ordinators and Heads of University departments of Churchgate, Juhu and Pune Campuses interacted and exchanged information with the delegation from University of South Australia that included Pro-VC (IT) Prof. Andrew Parfitt, Pro VC-Dr. Anna Ciccarelli, Mr. Stephen



Prof. Andrew Parfitt, Pro VC-Dr. Anna Ciccarelli, Mr. Stephen

CYP External Regional Moderator's Visit

Prof. Khairuddin Idris, CYP External Regional Moderator visited S.N.D.T. Women's University, Juhu Campus on 21st & 22nd May, 2008. He interacted with the Mentor, Tutors, Students and Alumni of CYP



Prof. Khairuddin Idris felicitated by Pro Vice - Chancellor Prof. S. S. Mantha

They have cast their imprints

Dr. Sunanda Chande, Principal, SVT College of Home Science, Juhu Campus, **Prof. Smriti Swarup**, Director, Center for Special Education, Juhu Campus, **Smt. Suryakant V. Sawant**, Electrician, P. V. Polytechnic, Juhu Campus, **Shri Balkrishna S. Mundkar, Jr.** Clerk, Dept. of Education, Pune Campus, **Shri Sriram S. Pujari**, Peon, SPP Unit, Churchgate Campus, **Shri Atmaram S. Warrick**, Peon, PVDT College of Education, Churchgate Campus, **Smt Mangala Nadgauda**, Hostel Superintendent and **Dr. S. S. Kaptan**, (VRS), Head, Commerce, PGSR Churchgate Campus all retired on Superannuation. We wish them all Best of luck in their retired life.

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF WOMEN'S EDUCATION THROUGH DISTANCE MODE

● The Centre for Distance Education was established in 1979 with the aim of bringing women into higher education through the Open University Programme called University Entrance Test (UET). The CDE will be entering into its 30th year in June 2008 and have decided to celebrate the coming academic year as the 30th year. In last 3 decades several courses have been added from time to time to suit the needs of adult women learners. In the academic year 2007-08 several new professional courses have been added. Here is the brief account of courses offered by CDE :

● UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE TEST: Those women who are unable to complete the 10+2, can pursue this university's B.A./B.COM course through qualifying test (UET). This course is run over last 30 years under the Open University Program of UGC.

● DEGREE COURSES- B.A/ B.COM. Women candidates who have passed H.S.C. Or UET examination in Arts/commerce can seek admission to F.Y.B.A/B.COM. B.A. is offered in 4 mediums - English, Gujarati, Hindi or Marathi and B.com is offered through English medium only.

● BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (B.C.A.) - This course is of 3 years and the basic qualification is HSC with Mathematics or other equivalent examination with minimum of 45% marks.

● POST GRADUATE COURSE- M.A. : Women who have passed their degree exams from any recognized university in the country qualify for admission. CDE offers M. A. in English, Gujarati, Hindi, Marathi, Music, Economics, History, Political Science and Sociology. *M.PHIL. IN SOCIOLOGY. : The M. Phil course is of 3 semester course the course is open to those who have M. A, degree with at least 55% in sociology (50% for reserved category).

● POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SCHOOL COUNSELING- This course is of 2 years. Eligibility is degree from any university with at least 2 papers from Psychology. Non-psychology students must complete Certificate Course in Guidance & Counseling offered by CDE.

● POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: Any graduate can take up this one year course. This will help those who are already in the industry or aspire to work in the industry to take up the managerial level jobs.

● DIPLOMA IN BPO SKILLS. (CALL CENTRE MANAGEMENT)- This is of 9 month course the basic qualification is H.S.C. or UET pass.

● CERTIFICATE COURSE: BASICS OF DIET THERAPY- This is an entry level course to initiate students into various aspects of diets, food, and nutrition.

● CERIFICATE COURSE IN GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING- Duration of this course is 6 months. Basic qualification is H.S.C. or UET.

● CERTICATE COUSE: ENGLISH FOR COMMUNICATION: Minimum eligibility is std. X or UET. This course is aimed at improving the proficiency in English.

All the courses are approved by Distance Education Council, New Delhi.

Admission will begin on June 16. For further details contact:
Director, Centre for Distance Education, SNDT Women's University,
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93rd Foundation Day Celebrations

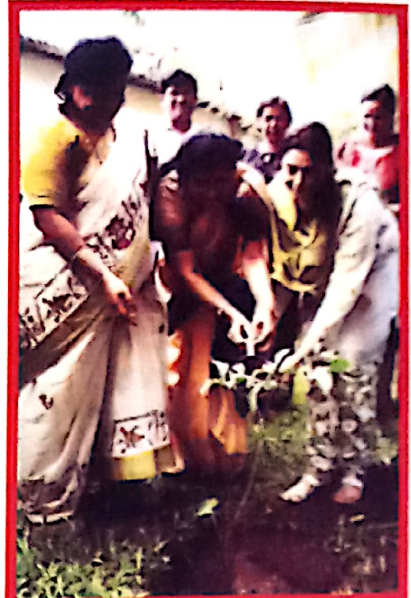
SNDT Women's University celebrated its 93rd foundation day on 5th July in a very special way by **Creating environment awareness and sensitizing the students on environment**. More than 40,000 trees were planted by the SNDT Women's University and its 220 affiliated colleges. At Juhu Campus along with the support of BMC and sponsor State Bank of India, students planted around 950 plants / saplings. At Pune and Palghar campus students planted around 400 plants and 100 respectively. Around 150 saplings were planted at the Churchgate campus and the remaining trees were planted by the SNDT WOMEN'S University at 220 colleges across the country. SNDT'S - Slogan is "Lets go Green, each one grow one". Each student of the University planted one tree and would continue to take care of it, under the guidance of the said's department's Director / Principal. The NSS students all over Maharashtra took the major initiative in this programme.

This has been the innovative idea of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy to celebrate the 93rd Foundation day in a unique way by declaring the year 2008 as an **Environment Friendly Year**. This is the best way to pay tribute to the

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founder of the University Maharshi Karve by being socially responsible citizens of the nation. The tree plantation drive would continue throughout the year in various phases where many companies / firms have shown their interest by joining hands with SNDT as a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) by creating awareness among the public as a whole and encouraging them to join hands to put a stop to the problem of Global Warming. This community awareness programme had a good start on 5th July 2008. MP Priya Dutt came in the early phase of



Nagma and Vice Chancellor planting tree



Students at Juhu Campus

the morning for tree plantation programme whereas actress and social activist Nagma, Mr. Abhay Singh General Manager- SBI, Smt. Chandra Ganesh, Director Youth Centre

(TCYDR), Dr. Chandrakant Puri, Campus incharge, and many other dignitaries and delegates joined hands in this tree plantation drive. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor presided over the function at Juhu campus.

At Churchgate Campus

The function began with garlanding of bust of Maharshi Karve and Chattrapati Shivaji Maharaj, a symbol of Marathi Asmita by the Chief Guests Shri, Vijay Balamwar, Assistant Municipal Commissioner and Shri. Prakash Shishupal, Senior Police Inspector, Azad Maidan Police Station and Pro Vice Chancellor, Prof. S. S. Mantha, President of the function. They also led teachers, staff and students in planting saplings around the campus. Welcome address was given by the Campus In - charge Prof. Vibhuti Patel. Dr. B. B. Pradhan gave a detailed introduction of the university and its unique contribution towards Empowerment of Women. In his address, Shri. Vijay Balamwar praised the university for imparting all round development of girls and for its mission of sustainable environment. Shri Prakash Shishupal applauded the efforts of the University for providing special opportunities to girls and women in higher education. Prof. S. S. Mantha highlighted current challenges faced by our university in his presidential address.



Dr. B. B. Pradhan and Dr. Vibhuti Patel at Churchgate Campus



Students at Churchgate Campus

At Pune Campus

The function started with plantation at the hands of Chief guest Medha Kulkarni - Corporater PMC, Guest of honor Sada Dumbre and Dr. Madhu Madan, Registrar SNDT Women's University presided over the function at Pune More than 400 trees like 'Laxmi Taru' were planted.



Students at Pune campus



Registrar Dr. Madhu Madan watering the plant



At Palghar Campus

Dr. Madhuri Chheda, Director, BCUD presided over the function, Dr. Gabhe, COE, Mr. Satish Narkar University Dy. Registrar, Mr. Prasad Joshi, Dr. S. Deolankar, Dy. Director & Mr. M. Kadam, CDE, Ass. Director attended the function. Mr. Jagdish Thakur helped us in the organization of the programme. NSS volunteers of Centre of Distance Education participated in the programme.



Faculty at Pune Campus



Dr. Madhuri Chheda, Director, BCUD at Palghar Campus



Students at Palghar Campus



Announcing the Dr. Avabai and Dr. Bomanji Kurshedji Wadia Archive for Women

The Research Centre for Women's Studies (RCWS). SNDT Women's University, Mumbai, proudly announces the launching of the "Dr. Avabai and Dr. Bomanji Khurshed Wadia" Archive to commemorate the lives of women who leave an indelible mark in history and make a difference to the lives of other women. Aimed at preserving sheaves of women's history, the archive will facilitate research, organized conferences / seminars and develop a vigorous publication programme. In essence, the archive will strengthen and expand the specialized role of the RCWS in preserving women's knowledge and history. The realization of this long cherished dream of the RCWS is possible because of the generous donation made under the terms of the Avabai Wadia's Will. Indicating the vision and the generosity of the spirit of the donor Dr. Avabai Wadia, the Will stipulates that the Archive should be open to national and international scholars / students irrespective of their gender, national or ethnic identities.



Dr. Avabai with
Shri. Atal Bihari Vajpai

Around the Campus

International Award

- Prof. Kalminder Singh & Dr. Pratima A. Tatke received a Triple 'A' Excellent Rating for their herbal contraceptive 'HerbOshild' from Patent Co-operation Treaty (PCT), an international patent law treaty. Dr. Singh received an award of 'Outstanding Herbal Medical Formulator' and Dr. Tatke was conferred on 'Tatened Scientist' Award at the International Conference on Medical Plants and Herbal Products.

Resource Person

- Prof. Meherjyoti Bade of Post Graduate Department of history was invited as a Resource Person in History for UGC. Sponsored SET/NET monthly workshop conducted by North Maharashtra University, Jalgaon on 23-24th May, 2008.

Nomination

- The Ministry of H. R. D. Gov. Of India has nominated Dr. Shashi Kashyap as the Chairperson, Managing Committee of Mumba Devi Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalya, Mumbai for a period of three years w.e.f. 16.05.2008.

State Level Seminar

- Maniben Nanavati Women's College organized a three day sponsored State level residential seminar on "Total Quality Manager - Building Human Resources In Higher

Education Institutions” on 13, 14 and 15 June 2008.” Education should be ‘student-centric’ rather than ‘subject or teacher - centric’ and it should contribute to the sustainable development of society” said Dr. Srinivas. Jt. Director UGC (WRO) while congratulating Prin. Dr. Harshada Rathod and her team at the inaugural function. Around 45 participants from the teaching as well as administrative staff of various colleges attended sessions on ‘Team Building’, ‘Conflict - Resolution Situation’, ‘Communication Skills’, ‘Sharing IQAC Experience’ and other conducted by eminent resource persons Prof. Carlos Luis and Ms. Shalini Alves. Film show on team building, Ice - Breaking sessions and a jubilant cultural meet were some other attractions of the seminar. The musical rendering of the College Anthem, the first of its kind was launched on this special occasion. The IQAC Coordinator Dr. Jayashree Palit thanked each participant for making the seminar a grand success.

- **National Level Seminar.**

Maniben Nanavati Women's College organized a two day UGS sponsored National level interdisciplinary seminar on “**Historical Reality of The Indian Freedom Movement (1857- 1947) as Depicted in Gujarati and Hindi Literature**” on 27 and 28 June 2008. The seminar was jointly organized by the departments of History, Gujarati and Hindi, 45 participants from colleges in Gujrat, Maharashtra and other places attended the seminar. The College's annual academic journal “Research Horizons” (vol. 3) and a ‘Seminar Volume’ containing 46 research articles in English, Hindi and Gujarati languages were released on the occasion. Dr. Chandrakant Topiwala. Dr. Usha Thakker and Dr. Ramji Tiwari were the eminent resource persons at the seminar. Shri Dinkar Joshi chaired the Valedictory function of the seminar and congratulated Prin. Dr. Harshada Rathod and the Coordinator Dr. Ila Ved for the great success of the seminar.

Winner at Inter University Competition

- Miss K. Kala, Student of C. U. Shah College of Pharmacy won at the Anveshan Zonak Inter - University Research Competition held at Sant Tukdoji Maharaj Nagpur University in March 2008 and was selected for National level Inter - University Research Competition organised by Association of Indian Universities at Pune Vidyapeeth, Pune in May, 2008.

Publication

- Empowering Women Worldwide Series, Volume 1 Co-edited by Prof. Vibhuti Patel, published the Women Press is out. It is edited by Kiran Prasad and U. V. Somaya, titled : HIV and AIDS - Vulnerability of Women in Asia and Africa.

Author

- Prof. Chaitra Redkar, Head, Post Graduate Department of Political Science authored a textbook of Civics (Class VII) for the Maharashtra State Bureau of Textbook Production and Curriculum Research (Balbharati) that was published and distributed by The Government of Maharashtra in June 2008.

Foreign Visit :

- Dr. Mira K. Desai, University Department of Extension Education, at DPGSR in Home Science presented paper ‘ICT4D Projects in India : Continuation of *Dominant paradigm At 17th AMIC Annual Conference* “Changing Media, Changing Societies : Media and the Millennium Development Goals” July 14-17, 2008, Manila, Philippines. She was a panel member at the ‘Asian communicator in the global media environment’ and also on *Media in Focus* weekly one-hour live talk show of Cheche Lazaro on Philippines television channel ABS-CBN on 17th July 2008.

• **INORMS 2008 Conference, UK**

Dr. Chandrakant Puri, Director, Centre for Distance Education was invited as guest by the Association of Research Managers & Administrators (ARMA) to participate at the **INORMS** Conference held at Liverpool, UK in June 2008. Dr. Puri's poster entitled "ESTABLISHING RESEARCH MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM IN INDIA - A STUDY OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION & INCLUSIVE POLICY AT SNDT WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY" was released by Lord Mayor of Liverpool Mr. Steve Rotheram.



Dr. Puri with Lord Mayor of Liverpool

• **Commonwealth Secretariat's 9th Diploma Review Meeting**

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy and Smt. Chandra Ganesh, Mentor, CYP, Director, Times Centre for Youth Development and Research attended the 9th Diploma Review Meeting at Bandos Island resort, Maldives, where 'PowerPoint Presentation' was made on CYP as well as the activities of the **Times Centre for Youth Development and Research CYP** and the Commonwealth partner Institutions acknowledged The Times Centre for Youth Development and Research as "Centre of Excellence".



Participants of 9th CYP Review Meeting at Maldives



Shri. Y. P. Sehgal, Under Secretary, Govt. of India, Dr. Rajshekharan Pillai, VC, IGNOU, Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy, VC, SNDT Women's University and Smt. Chandra Ganesh at the review meeting

Award

- Dr. Veena Poonacha, Director, Reseach Centre for Women's Studies was awarded a Senior Fellowship by the Australia India Council for 2007 - 08. As part of this award she visited Curtin University of Technology, Perth, from 2-19 February, University of South Australia, Adelaide from 17 February - 9 March, Monash University, Melbourne, from 9-24 March and Australian National University, Canberra, from 24-30 March to establish research and teaching collaborations. During her stay she undertook a study on *Response to Domestic Violence in Australia/Initiatives for India anmd Other Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities (CALD)*.

Workshops & Seminars by Times Centre for Youth Development and Research

- Times Centre for Youth Development and Research had organized many workshops & seminars from 2nd July to 31 July, 2008. General well being and Rebalancing of Life and Personality Development workshops were organized for teaching and nonteaching staff members at Juhu and Pune three days training programme for NSS Programme Officers was also organized. Workshop on Communication Skill, Stress Management, Beauty Therapy, Etiquette and Grooming Personality Development, Goal Setting and Decision Making, Positive Thinking and Life Coaching etc. were conducted for youth. Nearly 1000 students and youth and 200 teaching and non-teaching staff members were benefitted by these programme.



Workshop on Personality Development by Dr. B Mehta

- **EFFLORESCE 2008** SDPS Women's College organised Graduating Fashion Show on may 24, 2008 at Yeswant Club, Indore. Top models like **Sandhya**, Femina Miss India 2000; **Jasmine**, Winner of Gladrags and winner of model hunt in Kingfisher fashion awards, **Bianca**, Gladrags Megamodel 2008 winner, **Aarohi**, a Miss India 2006 finalist and many others walked the ramp in a spectacular show choreographed by the very talented Ms. **Ramneek Davat, (London) and Ms. Kranti Sojatia.**



Fashion Show at Indore

- **UGC Review Committee's Visit**

UGC Review Committee visited the S. V. T. College of Home Science on 18th July, 2008 to review the performance made by S. V. T. College of Home Science during the period 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 under College with a Potential for Excellence scheme (CPE) for which UGC has sanctioned the grant of Rs. 1 Crore to the college for a period of 3 years. Prof. Surabhi Banerjee, Prof. S. V. Shivakrishna Rao and Dr. Dev Swaroop were the esteemed panelists.



Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Registrar with the UGC team



Ms Nagma actress and social activist releasing the NSS Cell Booklet on 'Poushtik Aahar Margadarshan' - High calories low cost recipes



Dr. Gita Sundaresh Presenting a Seminar lecture to the international Rotaract Members during her Fulbright Fellowship

Call for papers and Presentations

SNDT Women's University, Mumbai is organizing International Conference on "Economic Development and Competitiveness - Canada and India", 3-5 October, 2008.

Papers can be presented on the following themes :

- Economic Development in Free Society - Canada and India,
- International Framework for Trade and Commerce - Canada and India,
- Mergers and Acquisitions - Canada and India,
- Economic Development and its Impact on Environment,
- Economic Development and Changing Status of Women, Comparative Analysis :
- Literature and Social Studies

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They have cast their imprints

✦ Smt. Kailash B. Patel, Head Clerk, Examination Section, Juhu Campus. ✦ Shri Mohan Dhuri, Head Clerk, Centre for Distance Education, Juhu Campus ✦ Smt. R. A. Nair, Jt. Stenographer, Research Centre for Women's Studies all retired on 30th June 2008.

We wish them All the Best



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GRAND FINALE OF YUVA MAHOTSAV 2008

The four days of Yuva Mahotsav 2008, organized by Department of Students' Welfare of SNDT Women's University, provided a great platform to all the students who came from Maharashtra, Gujarat, Mumbai, Madhya Pradesh & Goa.

Three successful regional festivals were held at SNDT College of Arts & Smt. Champaben B. College of Com. & Eco. For women, Mumbai, for Maharashtra College at SMDK Mahavidyalaya, Peth Wadgaon, Kolhapur and for Gujarat Colleges at K.P.K.U.M. College of Education, Kadi, Gujarat. The winners from these regional rounds competed at the grand finale, which showcased the best performers.

The inauguration for Grand Finale S.N.D.T. Yuva Mahotsav was graced by Mr. Ajay

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Ambekar, Director, Dept. of Cultural Affairs, Govt. of Maharashtra.

The other dignitaries who were present on the Dias were Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. S.S. Mantha Pro-Vice Chancellor, Dr. Madhuri Chheda, Director B.C.U.D, Prof. Nilufer K. Ahmed, Dean of Students'.

The Championship Trophies for the various events at the Grand Finale

- **Literary Championship** - Usha Mittal Institute of Technology, Juhu
- **Fine Arts Championship** - SNDT College of Arts & Smt. Champaben B. College of Com. & Eco. For women, Churchgate Campus
- **Music Events Championship** SMRK College, Nashik
- **Dance Events Championship** Maniben Nanavati College, Vile Parle
- **Theatre Events Championship** College of Home Science, (B.T.) Pune.
- **Overall Championship Trophy** SNDT College of Arts & Smt. Champaben B. College of Com. & Eco. For women, Churchgate Campus.
- **Runners up Championship Trophy** Usha Mittal Institute of Technology, Juhu

Grand Finale A Glance



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

This year three regional festivals were organized, SNDT College of Arts & Smt. Champaben B. College of Com. & Eco. For women, Churchgate for Mumbai Colleges, SMDK Mahavidyalaya, Peth Wadgaon, Kolhapur for Maharashtra Colleges, K.P.K.U.M. College of Education, Kadi, for Gujarat Colleges. Nearly 2500 students participated from more than 200 colleges of SNDT Women's University.

SNDT Yuva Mahotsav 2008
Regional Youth Festival, Mumbai
SNDT College of Arts & Smt. Champaben B. College of Com. & Eco. For women,
Churchgate

Regional Literary Trophy -	Usha Mittal Institute of Technology, Juhu
Regional Dance Trophy -	Maniben Nanavati College, Vile Parle
Regional Theatre Trophy -	SNDT Arts & Com. College, Churchgate
Regional Fine Arts Trophy -	SNDT Arts & Com. College, Churchgate
Regional Music Trophy -	SNDT Arts & Com. College, Churchgate
Regional Runner Up Trophy -	SNDT Arts & Com. College, Churchgate
Regional Overall Championship Trophy -	Usha Mittal Institute of Technology, Juhu

SNDT Yuva Mahotsav 2008
Regional Youth Festival, Maharashtra
SMDK Mahavidyalaya, Peth Wadgaon, Kolhapur

Regional Literary Trophy	SNDT College of H.Sc., Pune
Regional Dance Trophy	SNDT College of H.Sc., Pune
Regional Theatre Trophy	SNDT Arts & Com. College, Pune
Regional Fine Arts Trophy	SMRK College, Nashik
Regional Music Trophy	SMRK College, Nashik
Regional Runner Up Trophy	SNDT College of H.Sc., Pune
Regional Overall Championship Trophy	SNDT Arts & Com. College, Pune

SNDT Yuva Mahotsav 2008
Regional Youth Festival, Gujarat
K.P.K.U.M. College of Education, Kadi

Regional Literary Trophy	Swaminarayan Physiotherapy College, Surat
Regional Dance Trophy	B. M. Parel Sarawati Mahila Education College, Mehsana
Regional Theatre Trophy	N. C. Gandhi & B. V. Gandhi, Bhavnagar
Regional Fine Arts Trophy	Surajbha College, Kadi
Regional Music Trophy	Swaminarayan Physiotherapy College, Surat
Regional Runner Up Trophy	Kameshwar College, Ahmedabad
Regional Overall Championship Trophy	Swaminarayan Physiotherapy College, Surat





Social activist and artiste
Dolly Thakaar distributing prize at
Yuva Mahotsav

Around the campus

● Publication

Dr. Shashi Kashyap, Dean faculty of Arts & Head Department of Sanskrit has published a book title : 'Concept of Untouchability in Dharma Shastra'. Book published by New Bharatiya Book Corporation, New Delhi.

● Conference Attended & paper presented

Dr. Shashi Kashyap attended & presented a Research Paper on 'Mahapatkas : Causes of Untouchability' in All India Oriental Conference held at Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra from 28-30 July, 2008.

● International Conference on "Economic Development and Competitiveness - Canada and India"

Three-day International Conference at S.N.D.T. Women's University, was organised between October 3rd and 5th, 2008 to deliberate on economic issue like trade investment as well as other issues like social, cultural demographic and human values in relation to literature, women's studies political science, history and laws pertaining to women in India and Canada.

Inaugural session was addressed by Madam Vice Chancellor Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Prof. Cornelius H.W. Remie, President of International Canadian Studies Association and the Key Note address was given by Shri. Jayant Patil. Justice Radha Krishnan was a special speaker on the last day's session on laws concerning women in India and Canada. Valedictory address was given by Shri. P. C. Pisolkar, Chief Auditor of BMC.



In continuation to main theme of International Conference the following sub themes were designed, total 72 papers were presented. And 300 participants took part in debates and discussions.

- ◆ Economic Development in Free Society : Canada and India.
- ◆ International Framework for Trade and Commerce : Canada and India.
- ◆ Mergers and Acquisitions : Canada and India.
- ◆ Economic Development and its Impact on Environment.
- ◆ Competitive Advantages : Literature and Social Studies.
- ◆ Comparative study of laws affecting Women : Canada and India.

● Workshops & Seminars by Times Centre for Youth Development and Research

SNDT Women's University's Times Centre for Youth Development and Research along with Brahma Kumari celebrated Raksha Bandhan Programme on 14th August, 2008. Rakhi and Sweets was distributed among the staff members. More than 100 staff participate this programme.

Times Centre for Youth Development and Research had organized workshops and seminars from August to September, 2008. Workshop on "Personality Development" at Juhu Campus, workshop on "Legal Awareness" & "Beauty Therapy" at M. D. Shah College, Malad, workshop on "Communication Skills" at LJNI College, Vile Parle. Personality Development workshop was organized for youth at Pune Campus. Nearly 600 students and youth benefitted by these programmes.



● Presentation of Paper

Dr. H. L. Kaila, Prof. & Head, Dept. of Psychology, Presented a paper 'Child mental Health in Indian Schools' at London Metropolitan University, London on 8th Oct 2008.

● Achievement

Prof. Arati Sukheja, Ph. D. student of P. G. Dept of Economics received the Best Teacher Award on Teachers' Day by Mahatma Education Society, Maharashtra.

● National Symposium

P. G. Department of Economics and Vacha organized a 3-day national symposium as well as 12 workshop on "At Threshold of Youth and Gender, and on Girls and Girlhood" on 6,8th Nov. 2008, in which 150 participants from 8 states of India took part. Inaugurated by Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Hon. Vice Chancellor the symposium was extremely enthusiastically participated by teachers, researchers, media, activists and students. Dr. Syea Hameed, Member, Planning Commission of India was a guest of Honour and Key Note address was delivered by noted educationist and professor of Delhi University, Dr. Anita Rampal, an author of famous Probe Report on Education.

● Kishor Utsav

Kishor Utsav was inaugurated by Upagna Pandya, a wellkown child singer who has received applauds for her songs in Children's film MAKDI. The campus was throbbing with 12 workshops - Games, Films, songs, displays, Art, Craft Music, Elocution were organised for girls in the age group of 10-14 in which over 500 girls from 8 states and 12 communities in Mumbai enthusiastically participated. Volunteers from PVDT College (35 B. Ed.) students and 20 PGSR students acted as facilitators for the workshop along with Vacha team.

● Documentary Film Making Workshop

University Department of Extension Education (www.dpsrhomescience.org) in collaboration with Sense India Foundation (www.senseindia.net) is organizing a three full-days (10am to 6pm) hands on Documentary film making workshop from 14 to 16th

November 2008 (Friday to Sunday) at the SNDT Women's University's Juhu Campus. The participation is by registration only. For registration call on 32060604, 982149128 or E-mail admin@senseindia.org or sndtmedia@hotmail.com The fees are Rs. 6500/- inclusive of stationary, study notes, tea, lunch equipments rental etc. with discounts for SNDT staff and students.

- **National Integration Programme**

Dr. Naghma Javed Malik coordinated cultural programme based on National Integration directed by Dr. Subba Rao and choreographed by Narendra Vadegaonkar for International Conference on Economic Development and Competitiveness: Canada and India on 3rd October, 08. 18 students from M.A. (Hindi) and M.A. (Sanskrit) departments projected importance of different languages through dance-forms and songs of each state of Mother India and kept the audience enthralled.

It was followed by an equally forceful and energetic dances performances to show "Glimpses of Maharashtra" that was coordinated by Anuradha Potdar and Darshna Oza in which over 2 dozens girls enthusiastically portrayed folk dances and folk songs of Maharashtra and kept the audience spell-bound.

Achievement



- *Our University team had participated in Indradhanushya Inter University Youth Festival Competition for the year 2008-09, which was held from 5th to 9th November, 2008 at Yashwantrao Chauhan Open University, Nasik and won the following prizes -*
- *1 Overall Runner-up, 1 Skit - 1st prize 1 One Act Play - 3rd prize 1 Indian Group Song - 1st prize 1 Western Group Song - 2nd prize 1. Folk Orchestra - 3rd prize 1 Semi-Classical - 2nd prize 1 Instrumental Non-Percussion - 2nd prize 1 Light Vocal - 3rd prize 1 Classical Vocal - 2nd prize*
- *West Zone inter university Youth Festival which was held from November 10 to 14, 2008 at Sardar Patel University, Anand and won the prizes - 1 - Skit - 2nd prize 1 Collage - 2nd prize 1 Instrumental Non-Percussion - 2nd prize 1 Western Group Song - 3rd prize 1 Indian Group Song - 3rd prize 1 Semi Classical - 3rd prize.*

VICE CHANCELLOR EXHORTS YOUTH TO LIVE IN PEACE AND AMIABILITY

Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Vice Chancellor, SNDT Women's University, while expressing her opinion on Terror and Youth Welfare, said that youth have to be trained in Physical Fitness. Self Defense, Civil Defense, and value based education reiterating universal values like Ahinsa, Peaceful coexistence. Amity & Amiability to live to realize the importance of leaving with dignity and self-respect.

**● Terror Attacks - Affects SNDT Students**

B. Ed. student, **Vaishali Tukaram Omble** has lost her father (**Shri Tukaram Omble - ASI on duty**) in Taj encounter and he became "Shahid". Our condolence to her and her family and to ensure that his Balidan i.e., sacrifice, bravery will not be forgotten.

Reena Goyal, M.A. II Economics student lost her brother, the only bread-winner of her family, in Nariman House encounter.

We salute to the brave police constable and to all who have courageously fought for all of us.

● New Courses

Smt. Kamalaben Gambhirchand Shah Department of Mass Media under Smt. Maniben M. P. Shah Women's College of Arts & Commerce, offers, 3 Years Degree Course in Mass Media (BMM)

The college also has full-fledged Audio / Video Post Production Studio. In addition Short Term Course in Video-editing, Sound Recording, Voice Culture & Script Writing have also been introduced.

For further details contact - BMM Co-ordinator, Mrs. Prabha Nair - 9869001795.

● Sad Demise

Dr. Mnisha Trivedi, Ex. Vice Principal & Head, English Dept passed away on 12th Nov. 2008 due to cancer. Condolence Meeting was organized at the Churchgate Campus by P. G. Department of English on 5th Dec. 2008 in which all teachers from U. G. and P. G. part.

● Seminar on Sex Workers and Perspectives from Civil Society

The department of Psychology of Post Graduate Studies and Research of SNDT Women's University in collaboration with Durbar Mahila Samanwaya Committee (DMSC) organized a one day seminar on 17th October 2008 in Mumbai. The chief objective of this one day seminar was to bring together academicians, law makers, government representatives, feminists, police personals, international agencies and people from civil society to discuss the issues related to the life of sex workers particularly concerning the human rights. Nearly 20 members of DMSC from Sonagachi Kolkatta attended the seminar especially to interact with the participants and facilitate the deliberation during this seminar.

Prof. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Vice Chancellor of SNDT Women's University inaugurated

the seminar and emphasized that sex workers' should be decriminalized and their children must get all opportunities for development.

- **NSS Pre-SRD Camp**

National Service Scheme, Department of Higher Technical Education organized the Pre SRD Camp from 5th Nov. 2008 at Barshi, Dis. Solapur. NSS Cell of the university selected seven students from SNDT College Arts & Commerce, Pune to represent the SNDT University. At Pune campus the area co-ordinator Mrs. Sulakshana Shinde guided and trained the student for Pre SRD Camp. Seven students and Mrs. Rajeshwari Kulkarni, NSS P.O., participated in four days residential camp at Solapur.



Forth Coming Events

- Anti Terrorist Rally organized under the initiation of Governor of Maharashtra, His Excellency **Dr. A. C. Jamir**, will be held on 20th Dec. 2008. In which 1 lack 50 thousand students from 19 universities of Maharashtra will be participating.
- SNDT Times Centre for Youth Development & Reacher will be organizing career Exhibitions / workshop / Seminar / Personals Counseling / Aptitude Test etc. from 2nd and 3rd Jan. 2009 at Juhu Campus. They will co-ordinate with **Growth Center Pvt. Ltd.** National & International Career Counselors **Mrs. Swati Salunke & Ms. Suchitra Surve.**
- NSS Leadership Camp is proposed to be organized on 8th 9th & 10th Jan 2008 at Pune Campus in which NSS Volunteers from 40 colleges of Maharashtra will participate.
- Tejaswini Contest : (Selection of allround best student of the university for the year 2008, 2009)
The Department of Student Welfare will be organizing Tejaswini Contest on 12, 13 14 Jan. 2009. More than 500 students from all the colleges from Maharashtra, Gujarat, M. P., Goa and Guwahati will be participating.