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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ECONOMICS

Annual Report: 2017-18

Activities of the Department:

The following activities and programs were organized by the Department staff:

1. Elocution Competition: The Department in association with the Mumbai Port Trust organized an elocution competition for Junior and Degree College students on September 27, 2017 on the topic, 'My vision: Corruption-free India'. The competition witnessed enthusiastic participation by twenty-two students. Shri R S Surendra, Dy. Chief Vigilance Officer, Shri. Sunil Deshmukh, Chief Security Officer, Shri Satish Kharche, Senior Vigilance Officer and other dignitaries from Mumbai Port Trust were present on the occasion.

The prize winners of the competition were as follows:

First Prize : Vandana Nishad (FY B.Com.)

Second prize : Nimesh Dhakan (FY BMM)

Third Prize : Rukhsar Selot (SYJC)

Consolation prizes were awarded to Aafrin Sayed (SY B.Com), Anthony Gonsalves (FYBMM) and Kirti Kesarwani (FYJC). All participants received participation certificates.

2. Quiz Competition: A Quiz competition was conducted on the topic of Public Finance for T.Y.B.Com students in October, 2017. 135 students participated in the same. The prize winners were as follows:

First Prize: Ramya Shetty

Namrata Mishra Prajakta Gharat Devika Kadam

Second Prize: Shivani Gurav Ashwini Karshingkar Ruban Nadar Sachin Moolya

3. International Multi-disciplinary Conference: The Departments of Business Economics and the Commerce department of Self-financing Courses organized a one-day International Multidisciplinary Conference on 'Climate Change, Environment and Sustainable Development in a Global Economy' in collaboration with Alkesh Dinesh Mody Institute of Financial and Management Studies, University of Mumbai and Bombay Stock Exchange: Investors' Protection Fund on April 21, 2018. A souvenir on the title was also released containing abstracts of the research papers.

Principal Dr. Usha Iyer, the Chairperson of the Conference introduced the theme of the conference pointing out that climate change has become a global challenge today and that countries all over the world are experiencing significant repercussions of global warming and climate change. She also talked about **'The Paris Agreement'** that brings all nations into a common cause to undertake ambitious efforts to combat climate change.

The Chief Guest of the inaugural function was **Dr. Priya Darshini Karve**, Managing Director of Samuchit Enviro Tech and Member of the Board of Trustees of Initiatives for New Ecological Community Concerns (INECC) and **Dr. Ram Boojh**, Program Specialist, Natural Sciences, **UNESCO**, New-Delhi was the Guest of Honour.

The first technical session on, 'Climate Change and Environment', was led by Dr. Nandini Deshmukh District Manager (Mumbai), The Climate Reality Project, India, Col. Shashikant Dalvi (Retd) District Manager (Pune), The Climate Reality Project, India and our Principal Dr Usha Iyer

The second session on 'Sustainable development in a Global Economy' was chaired by Dr. Smita Shukla, Incharge Director, ADM Institute for Financial and Management Studies along with Shri. Nitin Raikar, Associate Director, Communications, India Wind Turbine Manufacturers' Association, Dr. Ajit S. Gokhale, Founder and Leader of Natural Solutions and Shri. Stalin Dayanand, Director of projects, Vanashakti (NGO).

The Chief Guest at the valedictory function **Shri Chakrapani Vasudevan**, Head, Investors' Protection Fund and Secretariat of Bombay Stock Exchange congratulated Principal Dr. Usha Iyer and her team for having organized a wonderful conference on a relevant topic.

4. Publication:Twenty two research papers presented at the Conference have been published by Naveen Shodh Sansar, an International Multidisciplinary Refereed Journal and UGC Journal No. 64728 Volume I Conference Edition with ISSN No.2320-8767, E-ISSN 2394-3793 with impact factor 5.110 (2017) of which Dr Usha Iyer is the co-editor.

5.Planning Forum:

a) Talk on Goods and Services Tax (GST) by Chartered Accountant Hrishikesh A. Wandrekar, on Friday, August 11, 2017.

b) 'What's the Economic Word? ' competition on Friday, August 18, 2017, to assess students' knowledge of basic economic concepts. Following students were the winners of the competition: First Prize : Rohit Shetty (T.Y.B.Com)
Second Prize : LaxmanThevar (S.Y.B.Com) and Namrata Mishra (T.Y.B.Com)
Third Prize : Prinshila Stephen Harnali (S.Y.B. Com)

- c) An **Elocution competition** on Thursday September 8, 2017, where the participants could speak for five minutes on any one of the following topics:
 - Digitalization- The Way Forward
 - Importance of Infrastructure In Economic Development
 - Ethics in Business & Industry
 - Role of Youth In Building A New India

Following students were adjudged as the winners of the competition. First Prize : Vandana Nishad (F.Y.B.Com) Second Prize : Ramya Shetty (T.Y.B. Com)

d) A.D. Shroff Memorial Elocution Competition: October 7, 2017.

6. Research paper:

Dr. Usha Iyer presented a Research paper entitled, 'Global warming: Climate Change and Environment' at the International Multidisciplinary conference on 'Climate Change, Environment and Sustainable Development in a Global Economy' on 21 April 2018

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