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Annual Report for the Academic Year 2016 - 17

The South Indian Welfare Society (S.I.W.S.) is dedicated to the cause of education and is committed to the national endeavour for human resource development through academic empowerment. 'Vidya Dhanam Sarva Dhanat Pradhanam' is the basic philosophy of the society. The Institute has been harnessing its efforts to take education to all sections of the society. Our Academic performance for the year 2016-17 has been good with the results of the aided section averaging out to 70% and 80% in the unaided section.

I. Academic Oriented activities:

1. Science Association:

The Science Association organized a guest lecture by Dr. R.R. Deshmukh from ICT on "Plasma-the Fourth State of Matter and its Applications in Material Science" on 24th August 2016. The highlight of Science Association was a one-day workshop on "Wired Soccer Robot" in association with the Celtic Learning Solutions. The students had a hands-on experience in building Robots and testing their operation.2.

2. Acanthus:

Acanthus, an annual inter-collegiate research symposium was organized by the BMS and BBI departments on 27th August, 2016. Sixty nine colleges participated and 678 students attended the seminar. Twelve research scholars presented their research papers.

3. Resonance-10

Resonance an intercollegiate festival was organized by the IT- CS department from 2- 4 February, 2017. The activities this year ranged from Circuit Engineering, I.T. Quiz, to Mobile Application.

4. Staff Colloquium was formed this year, providing a platform for the teachers involved in research to present and discuss their work. Dr. Hemasunder, Dr. Surendra

Pandey, Dr. Satish Bhalekar on 3rd September, 2016 and Dr. Swapnesh Ragnekar on 1st October, 2016 presented research papers on the topics of chemistry and environmental science followed by a brainstorming discussion among faculty.

5. Workshop by Mathemematics Department:

A workshop by Mathematics Department entitled 'Computational Mathematics and Statistics with R' was held on 4th March,2017, inviting Teaching Faculty members for hands-on training in the Computer Lab for the new syllabus addition on software R to be introduced in 2017-18 by the University of Mumbai. **Dr. Narasimhan Chari**, Ph.D. from **Purdue University, U.S.A**. was the Chief Guest and Dr. Ajit Kumar, Faculty member from ICT Mumbai was the Resource person for the day. 39 faculty members from various colleges in Mumbai city participated in the programme.

6. Convocation

The University Convocation, Degree Distribution Function, was held on 23rd February, 2017. The Chief Guest for the function was Mr. Ramesh Iyer, Vice President and Managing Director of Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited. Students, who passed out their Final Examination in the Year April, 2016 received their Degree Certificates at the hands of the Chief Guest.

7. The Annual Prize Distribution was held on 11th March, 2017. Chief Guest Dr. Vijay Dabholkar, Principal, Guru Nanak College of Arts, Science & Commerce gave away the prizes and certificates to the students.

8. National Symposium :

National Symposium on Demonetization: Rationale, Costs & Benefts and Future for India was organized by the Business Economics Department with Dr. Usha Iyer as the Chair Person and Dr. Aarti Prasad as the Convenor in collaboration with Alkesh Dinesh Mody Institute for Financial and Management Studies, University of Mumbai on 26th April, 2017.

The symposium had invited distinguished speakers comprising academicians, independent economists and experts from the Corporate world and authorities of the Reserve Bank of India to present their views on the much debated topic.

The Symposium had three Panel Sessions:

Session I - Rationale Behind Demonetization;

Session II - Demonetization: Costs and Benefts;

Session III - Demonetization: Future of India

A souvenir on the title was released comprising Research papers and abstracts.

Speaking at the Inaugural Function, the Chief Guest **Dr. Ajit Ranade**, Senior President and Chief Economist, Aditya Birla Group pointed out that the Demonetization move was beyond economics; it was a political move, with the desire to showcase it to the world.

The Guest of Honour at the Inaugural function **Dr. K. Srikant**, Director, Ramanuja Mission Trust, Coimbatore highlighted the resilience and the law abiding nature of the Indian people as an inherent part of Indian culture.

Dr. Barendra Bhoi, ex-President, Monetary Management, Unit of RBI said that demonetization step should not be seen in isolation as the government was trying to attack corruption in a systematic way.

Other Key Speakers in the panel were Dr. Brinda Jagirdar, Retd. General Manager and Chief Economist of State Bank of India, Shri. Paartha Sharathi, Manager, Consumer Education and Protection Cell, Reserve Bank of India, Dr. Vibhuti Patel, Head, P.G. Department of Economics, SNDT Women's University, Dr. Smita Shukla IC Director ADM Institute of Financial and Management Studies, University of Mumbai and Dr. Usha Iyer, Principal, S.I.W.S. College, Wadala.

Twenty research papers were received and paper presentations were made by delegates who were from academics and Industry and also students from diversified fields.

The Chief Guest at the Valedictory function **Shri. R. Gandhi, Ex. Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India** said that Demonetization was a bold move by the Government with the logistics planned well in advance and executed well and it received public support.

The Chairperson of the Conference, Principal Dr. Usha Iyer who proposed the theme of the Conference said "Any slowdown due to demonetization would only be short-lived. Once the systems get adjusted to the new normal, its benefits will be reaped in the long

run. She reiterated that **Demonetization is a giant step towards the dream of making a digital India.**"

II. Co-Curricular & Extra-curricular Activities

1. Gymkhana:

This year Fencing and Rifle Shooting was introduced into the sports activities of our gymkhana. The students won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals at State Level fencing competition. Ms. Khushboo Singh from S.Y.B.Sc. participated in the Rifle Shooting competition conducted by the University of Mumbai and Mr. Dilip Panigrahi of S.Y.B.Com. was selected for Mumbai University Chess competition.

Sports Day:

Annual athletic meet: The annual athletic meet of the college for the academic year 2016-2017 was held on 8th December, 2016 at G.N. Khalsa College ground, Matunga, Mumbai. The gymkhana committee had arranged a series of sports events. The students were very enthusiastic and keen towards winning medals, awards and certificates. The Valedictory function was a grand gathering. **Ms. N. Ambika, Deputy Commissioner of Police,** Zone-IV, Matunga Police Station an IPS officer of 2009 batch was Chief Guest for the event who distributed the prizes.

2. National Service Scheme (NSS):

Major events conducted during the academic year were as follows:

- ➤ Blood Donation Camp on 31st August, 2016 in which 156 blood bottles of blood were collected.
- A Health camp for the staff was organized.
- National voters' day was celebrated on 25th January by distributing Voters ID card to the students & nearby residents.
- A seven day residential **Rural camp** was held at Ambeshiv Budruk Village, Badlapur, in the month of October. The volunteers worked in the company of villagers by cleaning the area, building temporary dams, creating social awareness and educating them for personal hygiene.

3. National Cadet Corps (N.C.C.):

The NCC Cadets of the college attended:

- i) Annual Training Camp 701 at Pune,
- ii) Advanced Leadership Camp IV in Assam (Jorhat)
- iii) Annual/Combined Annual Training Camp at New Panvel from 22 to 31 December 2016.

Cadets also participated in the **International Yoga day** on 21St June 2016 and Martial arts training organized by the 8 Maharashtra Girls Battalion.

4. Women Development Cell (W.D.C.)

WDC organised various Awareness and Sensitization Programs in the form of street plays, skits, guest lectures, poster and paper presentation. The highlight of the current academic year was Happy Nappi vending machine that was installed on 20th October, 2016.

5. Southern Cultural Association (SCA)

SCA the most popular association, celebrated Pongal and Onam besides Debates, Poster Competition, Essay Writing Competition and Pookallam and various other events with striking themes. 'Pattimandram', a debate, was held on 14th December 2016. The topic for the debate being "Who is More Responsible for the Growth of Youth India - Society or Family". This programme was well received and also telecasted on the JPR local TV channel.

6. Music Circle:

Music Circle dedicated to promoting Indian classical form of Music. It celebrated Composers day "SAMARPAN" on 11th February, 2017. Many students and musicians performed at this event.

7. Ehlaan:

Ehlaan is an Inter collegiate event of the B.M.S. and B.B.I. department which had CARTOONS as its theme this year. About 3000 students participated from various colleges in Mumbai.

8. Orion-2016:

Orion an Inter collegiate fest, was organized between 15 - 17 December, 2016. It had a wide variety of events ranging from Sports, Literary, Fine Arts to Stage Events. Twenty four colleges from Mumbai participated in the event.

9. Student Welfare Activities

> Camps were organized in the college premises for issue of Aadhar card,

PAN card, Voter Identity Card and opening of Bank Accounts for the benefit of the

students.

In a first of its kind amongst the colleges affiliated to the University of Mumbai,

S.I.W.S. College had the distinction of organizing a camp for **issuing Passports** on 4th

February, 2017 in which 340 students beneftted.

Art of Living Programme and Geeta Chanting by Chinmaya Mission

was conducted for promoting spiritual development among students. Seven students

(Degree and Junior) participated in the Mumbai level final competition of Geeta Chanting

and one student received a third prize in Article writing. One student received Consolation

Prize at the Mumbai Final Round of Geeta Chanting.

Medimix conducted a programme on **Personal hygiene** for girl students.

10. The Staff Welfare Activities

➤ A lecture on **Cancer awareness** conducted by Cipla on 13th December, 2016

> A free health check camp and consultation in collaboration with S. L. Raheja hospital on

16th January, 2017.

11. Community Service:

We at S.I.W.S., believe that giving is a great way of living. The Southern Cultural Association

conducts theme based events and the income from these events are contributed to the NGOs.

This year 'Dhaanam Pradhanam' was the theme of Pongal celebrations organized by

S.C.A. Rice, dhal, jaggery and Ghee was donated to a NGO SHED in Dharavi.

Dr Usha S. Iyer

Principal

30 April, 2017



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