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SIWS renders a commendable service to the field of higher education and the society through a blending of teaching and learning with technology and by offering programmes that help the students to hone future skills balancing academic, co-curricular and extracurricular activities.

The achievements of the college in academic, co-curricular extra-curricular activities have been very satisfying and the college is striving hard with great spirits to achieve exalted heights.

I. CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

1. Admissions: An **admission committee** was constituted and the teachers explained to the students about the procedure to take admission in various courses in the degree college. The inhouse admissions started on 11th June, 2019. The First Year admissions for aided and self-financing courses was completed by 31st August 2019.

Orientation: The Departments of BMS, BBI, BAF and BMM conducted an orientation programme for First Year students on **9th July 2019**. The students were introduced and given glimpse of academic programs, departmental activities, college festivals, rules and regulations and code of conduct. Orientation helped the students to break the ice and become familiar with the campus services.

2. Department of Business Economics

a) The Department of Business Economics organised a **Quiz Competition** on **31 July 2019** in which seventy students participated from the commerce stream and three prizes were declared.

- b) Department of Economics organised a **Crossword Puzzle** on 18 January, 2020 in which fifty students participated from commerce stream and three prizes were declared.
- c) A **guidance lecture** was conducted by Ms. Jayshree Venkatachalam, member of the Board of studies and Syllabus Committee of the University of Mumbai on 7th March, 2020. She discussed all the modules and question bank at length with the students and answered their queries. Almost sixty students attended the session. Students took keen interest and raised several doubts related to subject matter, question paper pattern, important questions etc.
- d) In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and its catastrophic toll on a global scale, there has been an alarming increase in the rate of suicide and suicidal behaviour among the youth. Understanding the need to spread awareness on mental health issues, the Department of Business Economics organized a **National Webinar on ‘Lockdown Not Knockdown - Rejig Your Mental Health And Well-Being during Uncertain Times’** on **26 May 2020** under the able guidance of Dr Usha Iyer, Principal and Head of the Department of Business Economics.

The two eminent speakers in the webinar were **Dr Satishchandra Kumar, Head of the Department of Applied Psychology & Counselling Centre**, University of Mumbai and **Dr Juhi Deshmukh, Department of Psychology, Savitribai Phule Pune University**, Pune. They put forward different ways to engage oneself during this lockdown period and provided the participants with suggestions to develop mentally, foster appropriate support and care to rewire their negative thoughts. The webinar was a great success with over **360** participants attending from various parts of the country.

3. Department of Business Communication:

An Online Lecture Series on Communication for Students was organized by **I.Q.A.C. and The Department of Business Communication** from 27 to 30 May, 2020 on the title **‘Communicare’**. The objectives of the series were to create an awareness of the present job scenario, to stimulate interest in varied ways of expression in the virtual world and lay the foundation for creating socially sensitive and employable graduates. Five distinguished academicians tackled various aspects of

communication, broadly bearing in mind, the objectives of the series. 323 students attended the lecture series from Maharashtra and other neighbouring states.

4. Department of Business Law in association with **Consumer Guidance Society of India** successfully conducted a day seminar on ‘**Consumer Rights Awareness & Financial Literacy**’ under the aegis of Principal Dr. Usha Iyer. The Seminar was well received and attended by 85 students from B.Com., B.M.S., B.B.I., & B.A.F. The speaker, **Ms. Trupti Raul, Deputy Manager, Consumer Guidance Society of India** enlightened the students about consumer rights and consumer disputes redressal. The second speaker, **Mr. Nandakumar Menon, Financial Advisor** made a presentation on basic investment techniques. The students who attended the seminar were given participation certificates sponsored by the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE).

5. Department of Chemistry:

- **22 students went on an visit to Nehru Planetorium, Worli on 25 November 2019.**
- **Rasashastra the Intercollegiate fest** was held on December 18, 2019 in which 31 students from various colleges in Mumbai city participated. **26** students went on an **Industrial visit to** Sula Vines, Yusufi Paints & Packaging Industries and other industries at Igatpuri, Nashik on 30 & 31 January 2020 as an experiential learning.
- The Department conducted a workshop on **Yoga for beginners** between 7-13 May 2020 during Covid -19 Pandemic on Zoom Platform

6. Department of Mathematics:

The Department organized a talk by **Dr. Piers Bursill-Hall** from **University of Cambridge**, England on the topic ‘**Numbers bigger than the infinite. Yes, they exist!**’ in collaboration with Tata Literature Live, on November 18, 2019. **Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize recipient Professor Shreekrishna Gopalarao Dani** was the **Guest of honour for the talk. students from various colleges in the city including SIWS students participated in the program.**

- Dr. G.V.V. Hemasundar delivered a talk at the **International conference** on Mathematical Sciences, organized by Smt. G. S. College, Jaggayyapeta, in collaboration with Department of Mathematics, Krishna University and A. Nagarjuna University, from November 11 to November 13, 2019.
- Dr Rama Viyakumar attended two weeks **Faculty Development programme** on

‘**Managing Online Classes And Co-Creating Moocs:2.0**’ organized by Teacher Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, funded by the Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNTT), MHRD, Govt. of India from May 18 to June 3, 2020.

- Dr Sampada Shrivastava attended two weeks **Faculty Development Programme** on ‘Managing Online Classes and Co-Creating Moocs’ organized by Ramanujan College, University of Delhi from April 20 to May 6, 2020.
- Mr Athang Joshi attended one week **Faculty Development Programme on Moodle Learning and Management System** organized by S.S.T. College of Arts and Commerce in association with IITB Spoken Tutorial from April 21 to April 27, 2020.

7. Department of Microbiology: On 20th December 2019, Department of Microbiology organized a visit for S.Y.B.Sc. (CMB) students to Gowardhan Cheese Factory, Manchar, Pune. Fifty students participated in the visit.

Mrs. Ajitha S. Nair, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology participated in a One Day Workshop on ‘**Assessment Methodology under Revised Norms by NAAC**’ at L.S. Raheja College of Arts and Commerce, Santacruz (W) organized by Maharashtra Association of Minority Educational Institutions.

8. Department of Computer Science and Information Technology

- Internal Quality assurance Cell (I.Q.A.C) and the Department of CS & IT organized a **Faculty Development Program on ‘Digital Marketing’** in collaboration with Supramind, Navi Mumbai, on **January, 28 2020** in which 30 faculty members from all over Mumbai colleges participated. The program aimed at teaching skills to promoting and selling products and services by leveraging online marketing tactics such as social media marketing, search marketing, and email marketing in the current scenario.
- **Industrial Visit by Department of Information Technology:** The students of Information Technology department visited Jodhpur and Jaisalmer for their industrial visit from 9th to 14th December, 2019. Sixty students from second year and third year and 04 staff members enthusiastically participated in the visit

- The **Department of Computer Science** in collaboration with **IDEMI, Mumbai (Under Ministry of MSME, Government of India)** organized a Short Term Certification Course on **Graphics Design** from May 27th to 29 May, 2020. This Online course was conducted on **‘Google Meet’** - a safe and secure Google platform with our esteemed speaker, Mr. Rishikanta Thingnam who is a well experienced Graphic Designer and Visualiser at IDEMI. Mr. Nilesh Sharma, Department Coordinator of Animation Department of IDEMI introduced Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator. The graphical assignments with the help of Google classroom were a booster that motivated the participants. It had an overwhelming response with 63 participants which included 27% Faculty, 58.7% Students and 27% of others all over Maharashtra and other states.

9. Self – Financing courses (Commerce)

- a) Two teachers attended the **Faculty Development Program on Learning Technologies** held at National Centre for Nanosciences and Nanotechnology, **University of Mumbai (NCNNUM)** on 13-14 June 2019. **Dr. Thomas McManus (Director of Innovative Teaching & Learning Harrisburg University)**, **Dr. Robert Furry (Director of Methodology, Harrisburg University)** were the resource persons. This seminar helped to learn more about strategies, practices and tools for embedding digital technologies in teaching and learning.
- b) A seminar was conducted by **IEIBS AKADEMIA** on **‘Career guidance’** on 13th January, 2020. Two sessions were conducted by the faculty of IEIBS AKADEMIA. Prof. Nilesh Sarawate, CEO of AKADEMIA and Dr. K.J. Dawani, Director of Oriental School of Business shared their life experiences and highlighted the importance of studies and MBA for career growth and development. About 100 students participated in this seminar.
- c) A seminar was organized for T.Y BMS students on **18th July 2019** on **Operations and Management in hotel industry**. They emphasized on hospitality as a booming sector and an emerging career option. The students were also introduced to Pacific International Hotel Management School, **New Zealand** through powerpoint presentation.

- d) The workshop on **CS as a Career** by ICSI was organised for students of BMS, BBI, BAF, BMM on **30th July 2019**. The session was conducted by **Miss. Vimla Jogadia and Mr. Dinesh Kadam** representatives from ICSI. The workshop provided students with details of course structure, duration of course and career opportunities.
- e) **Tours & Travels and Aviation Seminar by BMS & BAF Departments:** A seminar was arranged by **Aviation Travel Academy on Travel & Tourism** on 28th August 2019. It was addressed by **Shri. Pradeep Madhukar Sawardekar, Director- People First HRM Solutions**. The seminar threw light on about expanding job opportunities in travel and tourism sector.
- f) **Industrial visit (Department of BMS, BBI, BAF, and BMM):** The industrial visit for the first year students of BMS, BBI, BAF and BMM was organised on 23rd February to 24th February, 2020. The college visited various industries at Silvassa. 153 students and 4 professors participated in this two-day industrial visit programme. The industrial visit helped the students to understand the structural and functional constituents of the industry and helped them to understand and adapt to the real industrial situations, which equips for decision making in a realistic environment.
- 10. B.M.M-ZEE Yuva Event:** Zee Yuva invited students of SIWS College for the **Zee Yuva Sanman**, an Annual Award ceremony. 26 students from Department of Mass Media and CS attended the ceremony event on 26 September at 1800 hrs. Students were given a glimpse of TV-line show set up, control room-Graphics, Sound and Camera, multi-camera set-up at different angles, Opera MCC spotlight and media team present there. The event gave insight and learning experience for the students attending the event.
- 11. Commerce Association:** The third batch of training for TYB.Com students by TechnoServe commenced on 12-9-2019. TechnoServe is an NGO that conducts skill set enhancement and employability support for youth aiming at providing placements free of cost. Thirty three students successfully completed 80 hours of certified training on TechnoServe's proprietary online learning platform. The students were trained in the areas like Personal effectiveness, Personality development, Career Readiness and Work readiness. Sixteen students were placed in renowned banks and companies like

ICICI Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Jana Bank, ICICI Lombard, Epicenter Technologies, Policy Boss, HDFC Life Insurance, IndusInd Bank to name a few and their packages range from 1.2 Lakhs to 2.4 Lakhs per month. The remaining students are assisted for placement.

The Association conducted **mock interviews** for the final year students of commerce on 20th December 2019 in the college premises. **Mr. Tanuj Poddar**, CEO- Financial Career Planning Academy was invited as the subject expert for the interviews. The objective was to reduce the anxiety and stress of the students and prepare them for actual interviews

12. Planning forum (Department of Economics):

A **Residential Leadership Training Camp** on the theme, **‘Overcoming challenges of life’** was held at Lonavala during 19 - 24 December, 2019. The Planning Forum collaborated with Forum of Free Enterprise and M.R. Pai Foundation. Our final year student Mr. Jayesh Mishra participated in the program.

Planning forum of the Department of Economics organized a talk on **‘Foreign Exchange Market’** by **Prof. Swapnil Salvi** Assistant Professor of Guru Nanak College of Arts and Commerce, Sion, Mumbai on Friday 17th February, 2020 with a total of 50 T.Y.B. Com students who attended the program. The program aimed at teaching the students about the Indian foreign exchange market and the speaker explained the different components of foreign exchange market. The students took keen interest and raised several queries related to foreign exchange market and its major role in controlling money supply.

In the month of October, **revision lectures** were held for academically weaker students so that they fare well in the examinations. As a regular practice, the **defaulter student’s parents meetings** were arranged by each class teacher so that they attend regular lectures in the forthcoming semester. An undertaking was signed by such defaulter students and their parents.

13. A leadership lecture series on- **Leadership in Crisis** was addressed by **Mr. Suresh Narayanan, Chairman and MD of NESTLE India Limited** at Smt. Padma Ranga Chamber Music Hall, Sri Shanmukhananda Fine Arts and Sangeetha Sabha **on 23 July, 2019**. Our SIWS Chairman Dr. Rangaraj was instrumental in organizing the function with Dr. Usha Iyer- Principal, a few faculty members and 10 students of SIWS College attended the program.

The lecture gave insights on how to be an effective leader even in crisis and winners never quit. The lecture focused on building in confidence, communication, credibility, embracing opportunities, unity and facing reality to be an effective leader.

II. CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

1. **N.S.S.:** The N.S.S. Unit of our college organized **International Yoga day on 21st June, 2019** by arranging a session for the staff and the students of the college. Mrs. Savithri Bhutade was invited to conduct the session. A total of 164 Students (62 Male and 102 Female) from both aided and unaided courses attended the session along with faculty members.
- The **N.S.S** Unit conducted the **Anti-Tobacco pledge** in accordance with the circular of Government of Maharashtra. About **700** students with 11 Teachers from 11 different classes administered the pledge on **11th July, 2019** between 8.10 a.m. to 10 a.m. during the lecture session. The students were also given a brief lecture on ill effects of tobacco consumption on their health.
- **N.S.S. Rural Camp:** The N.S.S. unit of S.I.W.S. College organized its Annual special rural camp in the adopted village, Neregaon (Panvel) from **16 to 22 December 2019**. A total of 65 volunteers participated in the camp. The camp was inaugurated by Chairman of Shantivan, **Advocate Shri. Pramod Thakur** and the Principal of Shantivan Tribal School. There were activities such yoga, Shramdaan, Street play, Personality development, Traffic safety etc. Various stalwarts delivered speeches on various themes for creating awareness and also trained the students. Our Principal Dr. Usha Iyer and Dr. **Sudhir Puranik (NSS- Programme Co-ordinator- University of Mumbai)** visited the camp on 21.12.2019 and congratulated the students for successful completion of camp.

- **Youth to make a difference:** The Students of SIWS College attended a lecture at Shanmukhanand Hall on ‘**Youth for Better Tomorrow**’ on 4th February, 2020 from 04:00 p.m. to 08:00 p.m. **Dr. Prashant Narnaware** (IAS) and Mr. Suhail Sharma (IPS) were the Chief Guests. They provided their insights about the role of youth in making India a better place for habitation. A total of 30 volunteers took part in the event.
 - **STEM Cell Awareness:** The NSS unit of SIWS College conducted awareness about the importance of Stem Cell donation and later put up the desk to register the donors on the spot on **13th February, 2020**. A total of 48 donors registered themselves.
 - **Quiz Program by NSS (5 to 8 May 2020):** The NSS of the College arranged an online Quiz Competition on the title ‘**Covid-19 Pandemic Awareness**’ which was well received by a large number of participants.
2. **N.C.C:** Second year cadet, Ms.Sweta Hatiskar attended the Common Annual Training Camp (CTC), at Uran, from 28th July to 6th August 2019. Cadets took part in the Independence Day celebrations held at Guru Nanak Khalsa College, Matunga. for which they practiced from 1st August to 14th August, 2019. They took part in Drill and Cultural events.

Our second year **Cadet Saurabh Pratap Singh** is selected training of **Republic Day Camp (RDC)** from 24th September to 4th October 2019.. He also got 2nd prize in drill competition.

3. **Women Development Cell:** The Women Development Cell organised a talk on ‘**Domestic Violence**’ on **13th September 2019** for the students and teachers of our College. The seminar was presided by Miss. Shalini Devi, advocate and consultant. The session started with an interactive talk about domestic violence and later on, various rights and privileges were enlightened. Emphasis was also given on different legal rights of both men and women. It was an enlightening session for both, students and teachers. 80 students attended the session.
- The Women Development Cell organised a workshop on "**Stress Management and Mental Health**" on **10th December, 2019** for the students and teachers of our college.

The workshop was conducted by **Dr. Sheryl John Senthilnathan, Consulting psychiatrist who emphasized** on mental health awareness. 122 students, both boys and girls, attended the session.

- The college installed **automatic sanitary napkin vending machine** in all ladies' washrooms along with incinerator that was donated by Shree Shankara Hindu Mission of Matunga. Free napkins were all so provided to the girls.
- **National Webinar on "Transcending Gender Stereotypes" organized by Women Development Cell** (11th May 2020 - 3 to 4.30 pm): Prof. **Ruby Pavri**, Head, Department of Psychology, St. Xavier's College, Fort, Mumbai was the speaker. The webinar was specially to provide **awareness for male participants** in the lockdown situation. The topics discussed were Gender Roles, Gender Stereotypes and Suggestions for effective interaction between genders (in the times of COVID and beyond) The webinar was attended by 103 members from all over India and one participant from **Singapore** and another from **San Francisco** on **Zoom Platform**. The webinar received admirable, positive feedback. 70.9% participants rated the webinar as 'excellent' while 26.2% of them gave 'very good' feedback.

4. D.L.L.E.:

- a) D.L.L.E. team organized one-day **hands-on-training** session on Power Point Presentation for D.L.L.E. students on **9th September, 2019** in Computer lab. Mr. Nikhil Mamania, Assistant Professor CS-IT department from SIWS College, conducted the training session. Twenty two students attended the session. The session helped the students to gain knowledge on effective Power-point Presentations.
- b) On 15th September, 2019, a meeting with Mr. Arpith Kotian, C-ordinator of **NGO, RHA (Robin Hood Army)** was held. The main goal of RHA group is to educate **under privileged students** of different clusters. It was decided that four DLLE students, Ms Kajal (FY.BCom), Ms Shabeena (FY.BCom), Ms Farheen (FY.BCom) and Ms Anjali (SY.BSc) and one Student manager Mr. Guru Prakash (SY.BCom) will conduct the classes for underprivileged kids in our college premises between 11:00 am to 12:00 noon, twice a week after Diwali vacation.

- c) On 22nd September, 2019, SIWS DLLE team got associated with the NGO-RHA for conducting classes for under privileged kids under the **Industry Orientation Project (IOP)**.
- ✓ Eighteen DLLE Students along with the two extension teachers Ms. Rama V & Ms. Deepali took part in **UDAAN** festival, which was organized by DLLE University team at K.J Somaiya college of Arts & Commerce, Vidyavihar on **30th January 2020**. The students participated in Street play and Poster making competition based on the issues of Stress & Save Earth. Our college won **first prize in Poster Competition and consolation prize in Street play** in this University level competition.

Six days **national webinar on Essential Skills Enhancement Programme** was organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (I.Q.A.C.) & Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (D.L.L.E.) in collaboration with R A H – Your Path to Excellence & in association with Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (D.L.L.E.), University of Mumbai from May 26 to May 31, 2020.

The objective was to increase self-confidence, self-image, develop their skills, abilities and competencies to enhance their performance. The outcome was the Learners became better capable to reach their goals professionally and personally. in future.

The resource persons for the webinar were Co-founder of ‘R A H - Your Path to Excellence’, Ms. Aman Kaur, and Ms. Ritu Chopra Sanklecha and Ms. Hiram Shaikh. All the three speakers were certified image consultants and soft skill trainers from Image Consulting Business Institute in partnership with Consette Institute of Image Management, USA. The topics addressed were Confidence Building, Etiquette Ready, Image Management, Verbal and Non Verbal Communication, Body Language and Interview Skills. This six day webinar was attended by 680 students from different cities and States across the country. The participant students gave excellent feedback and suggested to arrange more such webinars.

DLLE students on 23rd January, 2020, under the **Career Project** scheme displayed stalls giving information on various careers and supporting information on appropriate fields to be pursued for advancement.

DLLE students put up food stalls from 24th to 25th January, 2020 under the **Annapoorna project scheme**.

- Final Session for under privileged kids education project under IOP was conducted on 6th March 2020. Principal Madam Dr. Usha Iyer graced the occasion by giving away the gifts donated by the teachers of SIWS College.
- Concluding Meet of DLLE team for the academic year 2019-20 was held on 7th March 2020. In this meet best projects from each category was awarded.

Award winning students are listed below:

- 1) Best Annapoorna Project Award- Edward Alexander, F.Y.B.Com
- 2) Best Career Project Award- Patil Ganesh, F.Y.B.Sc
- 3) Best SWS Project Award- Iyer Shreya, F.Y.B.M.S
- 4) Best Industry Oriented Project Award - Kannojiya Kajal, F.Y.B.Com
- 5) Active Member of DLLE – Salmani Anjum Bano, F.Y.B.Com

5. Students' Council:

- **Traditional day** was organized by the Students' Council on 22nd January 2020. It was an opportunity for our students to represent their culture and tradition. Students coming from different regions of our country took active part in this event. A competition was arranged wherein participants presented their regional culture by dressing in that specific style and talked about the significant aspects of their culture. Students displayed their flair for their culture emphasizing the Unity in Diversity.
- **Rose Day** was organized by the students' council on 21st January, 2020. Rose day encouraged in showing the gesture of friendship towards each other. The council had arranged Red roses for 'Friends Forever' and Yellow roses for 'Be My Friend'. Students took part with great enthusiasm and enjoyed thoroughly.
- **Students' visit to Ramakrishna Mission Math on the occasion of National Youth Day:** Ramakrishna Mission located at Khar West organised a programme on the 13th

of January, 2020 to celebrate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. 39 students of the college along with Prof. CA. Sushanti Wandrekar attended the programme. The Chief Guest for the program was **Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra Shri. Bhagat Singh Koshyari**. The programme was organized with the objective of **inculcating the virtues of character building, man making and nation building among the youth**. The organisers also distributed books of Swami Vivekananda's Chicago address. The program was a wonderful experience for the students who learnt how Swami Vivekananda's teachings are relevant even today in the age of digital technology.

➤ **Youth Conclave:** The ANGC organized a youth talk with the Hon. Shri. Sharad Pawar on 23rd February 2020 at the Bhartiya Krida Mandir, Wadala. About 90 students from our college attended this event. The main agenda was to encourage the involvement of youth in contributing towards our economy and bridging the gap of student expectations with the Indian education system.

6. Gymkhana: Annual Athletic Meet 2019 was held on **6th December 2019** at the G.N.Khalsa College ground, Matunga, Mumbai. The inauguration function was graced by **Special Inspector General of Police Mr. Krishna Prakash**, the first government servant of India to receive the title of IRON MAN. The Chief Guest addressed the students gathering the importance of overall physical and mental development through sports. About 25 students participated in all athletic events and about 500 students were there to cheer them up. The championship Trophy was won by **Mr. Aniket J. Gupta (Boys) and Ms. Bhavana Jishi (Girls)**. It was a memorable day for all staff and students as a lot of cheer and happiness engulfed the sports ground.

7. Career Guidance and Placement Cell

a) Career Guidance and Placement Cell in association with Imarticus Learning (P) Ltd.: Thane Centre organised a live **National level Webinar** on the Topic **Job Search During Covid-19 Pandemic - Tools And Techniques** on Wednesday, **20 May, 2020** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mr. Joy Vaz who heads Placements and Career Services for Imarticus Learning for the West region was the speaker.

The webinar was actively attended by 225 participants from different cities and States across India. The overall feedback which covered the ratings for Selection of Topic, Delivery of Speaker, Content Coverage, Overall Impact of Webinar and Overall Organisation of Webinar for the session was **'Excellent'**.

b) The Career Guidance and Placement Cell in Association with Imarticus Learning (P) Ltd., Thane also organized a webinar on 23 May 2020 on **'Financial Analysis Landscape and Investment Banking'** which was very informative and beneficial to the participants.

8. Cultural Association: The association conducted various competitions like talent hunt, dance, singing and rangoli from **22nd to 30th August, 2019**. Six of our college students participated in various events conducted by Youth Festival, University of Mumbai. Students also participated in intercollegiate competitions conducted in different Mumbai based colleges.

9. Numero'5 at Mithibai College: Twenty students from our College participated in the Numero'5 – a one day seminar organized by Mithibai College on **30th August 2019**. They guided students about the importance of academics and reiterated the importance of hard work in life.

10. Hiking club: One day hike was organized to an eco-sensitive spot on Matheran Hill station on 21st September, 2019. Twenty students and two teachers went for hike. The students walked and hiked for several kilometres and enjoyed the beauty of the hills.

11. Alumni association: S.I.W.S. College organized its Annual Alumni meet on **4th February 2020**. The gathering was well attended by alumnus of the college from various batches. The highlight of the meet was the formation of core committee comprising of 12 members. The Association also discussed their plan to conduct many more meets in future and they also showed their desire to contribute for the development of college. The students enjoyed the DJ, musical program and the meet concluded with Vote of Thanks by the Chair.

III. EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

- 1. Guru Purnima celebration:** To cherish the special bond, between Gurus and Shishyas, Guru Purnima celebration was organized by Students council on **16 July 2019**. The programme began by lighting of lamp by the Principal. Later, Principal and Vice-principals of the college were felicitated in honour of the celebration. Students from various departments in the college participated and performed through dramatics, musical skit, sang songs, played musical instrument and delivered a speech. These various art forms stated the significance of 'Guru' in a learners life.
- 2. Independence Day Celebration:** S.I.W.S College of Commerce and Economics along with S.I.W.S. School celebrated 73rd Independence day. Dr. V. Rangaraj, Chairman S.I.W.S, Shri. M. Ananthasubramanian, Hon. Jt. Secretary and Principal Dr. Usha S. Iyer and other dignitaries were present during the flag hoisting. The students took pledge along with dignitaries, teaching staff and non-teaching staff present on the day. The students showcased their talent through dance, speech, dramatics, singing songs which signified unity in diversity.
- 3. Youth Festival (2019-2020):** SIWS College took the privilege to host **52nd Youth festival Zone – I in association with the University of Mumbai on 14th and 22nd August 2019**. The Youth festival was a grand blend of Literary and Fine Arts events. The inauguration was done by University of Mumbai cultural coordinator Dr. Deepak Salve and co-coordinator Dr. Ganesh Joshi, Principal Dr. Usha Iyer and Vice Principal Mr.Vaibhav Banjan. A total of sixteen events held were conducted and 24 college students across various disciplines coordinated the entire event. Eminent judges as experts in their own fields were deployed by University

Prize distribution at the University level was organized on **27th August 2019** at University of Mumbai Convocation Hall, Fort Campus and the volunteers of SIW College received the certificate of appreciation from the hands of **Dr. Suhas Pednekar, Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai**.

- 4. Friendship Day Celebration:** The Students Council organized friendship day celebration 'Yaariyan'. The function was inaugurated by Vice-Principal Prof. Ayyapan Iyer and

Convener Dr. Atul Deshpande. A few games like blindfold, Chinese Whispers, Antakshri, Pick-a-brick, Smash Hit, Quiz and Rap Battle were organized. Also, friendship bands were made available on stalls set up in the college.

5. Fine Arts Circle:

- The Fine Arts Circle conducted '**Book Cover Design**' competition on **14th September 2019**. **Thirty five** students participated in the event. Students designed book covers with interesting art work and innovative ideas.

- **Umbrella Decoration Competition by Fine Arts Circle:** The Fine Arts Circle had conducted 'Umbrella Decoration' competition on **27th Aug 2019**. There were twenty two enthusiastic students participated in the event showcasing their finesse and skills and transformed black, dull umbrellas into attractive pieces of art. They showed their creativity by using accessories and different ways like hand painting, spray painting, paper cutting decoration etc. Students conveyed social messages like save earth, save the girl child etc. along with the beautification of umbrellas.

- The Fine Arts Circle organized '**Best out of Waste Competition**' on 30 November 2019 in which there were twenty five participants sensitizing on waste management.,

6. Gujarati Sahitya Mandal: The mandal organized a one day picnic to Suraj Water Park, Thane on 18th December, 2019. Fifty two students accompanied by three teachers went for the picnic.

7. Southern Cultural Association: Pongal Celebrations: Southern Cultural Association organized 'Pongal Celebrations' on 24th January 2020. Festival was celebrated with a theme- 'Marutuva Pongal'- Health and well-being for all.

The event began with Ma-Kolam (Rangoli with rice flour). The participants decorated the premises beautifully with their traditional art and set the festive season rolling. The event that followed was 'Pongal Making'. Students showed a lot of enthusiasm and zeal by coming together to make pongal. This event began by the lighting of the lamp and offering prayers to the Sun Lord by the Chief Guest for the occasion – **Mrs. Varsha Gaikwad - The Education**

Minister for Schools, Government of Maharashtra, our Chairman - Shri R. Radhakrishnan, our Hon. General Secretary- Shri. M. Ananthasubramanian and our Principal The Chief Guest shared her learnings and experiences and emphasized the importance of education and encouraged the students to outperform in academics.

Dr.Usha Iyer in her address spoke about ‘Dhanam Pradhanam’- that sharing and giving are the essence of the festival. In light of the same she gifted the non-teaching staff with a pongal pannai- pot with rice, jaggery and dal, which indeed filled their hearts with joy and happiness. Students exhibited a variety of traditional dances of Tamilnadu and enjoyed the day.

8. Hindi Sahitya Mandal: Essay and poetry writing competitions were organized on January 20, 2020.

9. The Convocation and Degree distribution function for the qualified students of academic year 2018-2019 was organized on **21st December, 2019**. The Chief Guest for the function was **Dr. Mayank Vahia**, currently the Dean, School of Mathematical Sciences, NMIMS Deemed University, Mumbai and a great **scientist** retired from **Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR)**. Endowment prizes, certificates and trophies were given to all the rank holder students. About 330 students of UG and PG courses participated in this grand function. The college Report was presented on the occasion.

10. Staff Welfare Program: A Voice Culture Program was organized on **24th December, 2019** for degree college staff members. **Voice Guru Shri Deepak Velankar** from **Ultimate Voice Academy** addressed the gathering telling about the traditional and scientific methods to improve the quality and texture of voice. The program was beneficial to all the teachers.

11. Cultural Association:

- **Swastika 2019-2020 (Intra-collegiate Fest):** The annual cultural festival ‘**SWASTIKA 2019-2020**’ is one of the most awaited events at the college campus. This year Cultural unit of our college organized Intra-collegiate fest ‘**SWASTIKA**’ from 23rd to 25th January 2020. The festival began with essay writing, poetry writing and rangoli. Students of all the courses participated enthusiastically. Our student

volunteers sincerely helped to organize this event and also enjoyed the cultural function as audience. 25th January 2020 was declared as 'College Annual Fest' where different associations put up their special events.

- **Ehlaan 2020 (Self-financing courses):** The Department of self-financing courses (Commerce) of the college celebrated the inter-collegiate cultural festival-Ehlaan 2020 on 29th February 2020. The inauguration was graced by our esteemed chairman Shri. R. Radhakrishnan, Hon. Gen.Secretary Shri. M. Aananthasubramaniam, our Principal Dr. Usha Iyer and our Vice principals. Various competitions like solo and group singing, solo and group dancing, beat boxing and rap were organized for the event and the students from various colleges unveiled their talent. Prizes were distributed to the winners and the students of Self-financing courses thanked the Management, Principal and staff for their support.
- **Competitions on the theme 'Tribute to Community Helpers of COVID-19' organized by Cultural Association (11 -16 May, 2020):** The coronavirus outbreak has affected the entire world to a great extent. But some community workers like the doctors, nurses, policemen, scientists, cleaners, delivery boys etc. to name a few worked tirelessly towards saving the citizens from the pandemic. Maintaining social distancing and following Government rules, the Cultural Association of our college organized an **online cultural programme** to express their gratitude in the form of slogans, dance and song for our community helpers. Participant students uploaded their presentations on the given online platform. 106 entries (Slogan Competition - 80, Dance Competition - 10, Singing Competition -16) were received across the country. The results were declared and posted in our college website on 28th May 2020.

IV. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS:

- ✓ Mr. Laxminarayan Atharva, Mr. Sumanth D., Mr. Savio F., Mr. Prashant B., Musharib S. and Mr. Nishant D. of F.Y.C.S. participated in COD mobile, CS 1.6 and NFS (solo) competitions held in Model College, Dombivili and secured **second prize**.
- ✓ Mr. Laxminarayan Atharva, Mr. Sumanth D., Mr. Savio F., Mr. Hritik S., Mr. Prashant B., Mr. Prashant S., Mr. Nishant D., Mr. Musharib S. and Mr. Mandar P. of

F.Y.C.S. participated in Carom COD mobile, CS 1.6 and NFS (solo) competitions held in Acharya Marathe College, Chembur and secured **first prize**.

- ✓ Mr. Hritik S., Mr. Atharva A., Mr. Sumanth D., Mr. Pratham T., Mr. Sanket K., Mr. Nishant P. Kumar, Mr. Laxminarayan Atharva, Mr. Prashant B., Mr. Ankit S., Mr. Prashant S., Mr. Ahmed S. N. of F.Y.C.S. participated in PUBG competitions held in Lala College, Mahalakshmi and secured **third prize**.
- ✓ Eighteen DLLE Students along with the two extension teachers Ms. Rama V & Ms. Deepali took part in UDAAN festival, which was organized by DLLE University team at K.J Somaiya college of Arts & Commerce, Vidyavihar on 30th January 2020. The students participated in Street play and Poster making competition based on the issues of Stress & Save Earth. Our college won **first prize in Poster Competition and consolation prize in Street play** in this University level competition.
- ✓ **Rostrum Spectrum (Inter-collegiate Fest)**: Our TYBMM student **Nimesh Dhakan** won **2nd prize** in Just-a-minute competition at the inter-collegiate literary festival conducted by R. A Podar College of Commerce and Economic organized by the Speakers Academy and Group discussion Cell of Podar on **6 February, 2020**.
- ✓ **Cine Fest 3 (Rotaract Club of SIES College)**: Our TYBMM student **Nimesh Dhakan** won 1st prize in Script writing competition at the inter-collegiate literary festival conducted by S.I.E.S College, Sion organized by Rotary Club of Bombay Pier on 9th February, 2020.
- ✓ **Pratibha Chauhan** of our College got the **first prize** in the 'Best out of Waste competition' at the Inter-collegiate event 'Umeed 2020' organized by Bunt Sangha's Uma Krishna Shetty Institute of Management studies and research , Kurla East, Mumbai 400 070.

She also won the Third prize in the 'Best out of waste' competition at the Inter-collegiate festival 'Nirjhar 2019' organized by B.M. Ruia Gils' College.

V. STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS:

- ✓ Dr. Sampada Shrivastava (Department of Mathematics) attended **Refresher Course** in Financial Mathematics organized by HRDC- University of Mumbai from December 13, 2019 to December 27, 2019. She secured 'A' Grade.
- ✓ Dr. Rama Vijaykumar (Department of Mathematics) attended **Refresher Course** in Financial Mathematics organized by HRDC- University of Mumbai from December 13, 2019 to December 27, 2019. She secured 'A' Grade.
- ✓ Mr. Ravi Singh (Department of Commerce) attended **Refresher Course** in commerce organized by HRDC- Lucknow University, Lucknow from 18th November, 2019 to 30th November, 2019. He secured 'A' Grade.
- ✓ Dr. Swapnesh Rangnekar (Department of Environmental Studies) attended **Refresher Course** in Environmental Science organized by HRDC- Pondicherry University, Puducherry from 21st August, 2019 to 3rd September, 2019. He secured 'A +' Grade.

- ✓ Dr Asha Mathew obtained her Ph.D. Degree in December 2019.
- ✓ Dr. Kirti Nakhare of the Department of English got her Doctoral Degree from the University of Mumbai

- ✓ Dr. Helen Selvaraj from the Department of Accountancy participated in the Two weeks **online workshop** on 'Comprehensive e-Learning to e-Training guide for administrative work' 25th May to 5th June, 2020 organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, sponsored by MHRD

- ✓ Dr Aarti Prasad published a **Research article**, titled '**COVID-19: Impact on Elderly in Mumbai**' published in **Sambhashan** , e-journal of the University of Mumbai, a Free Open Access Peer-Reviewed Bilingual Interdisciplinary Journal; Volume 1, Issue 1, May 1, 2020

- ✓ Dr. Sanghamitra Mihra as a **Resource Person** delivered a talk on '**Odisha Food and Culture**' as part of Ek Bharat Sahreshtha Bharat program organised by Government of Maharashtra Higher Education and Technical Department and NSS Unit of University of Mumbai and S.S.T. College of Arts and Commerce on **January 11, 2020**.

✓ **The New Age Education Symposium (The Economics Times):** The 1st edition of **The Economic Times New Age Education Symposium** is an exclusive Two days program which brought together the players in the education and technology industry to share the future trends in the education sector. The symposium displayed the latest solutions for the sector and provided an in depth analysis of the current gap in Indian education sector in comparison with global standards so that it helps in shaping the future of our economy. Our Hon. Principal Dr. Usha Iyer, Vice-Principal (Commerce) Shri Vaibhav Banjan and Prof. Monikka S. attended this program on 25th February 2020 at Star Sahara, Andheri.

➤ The college got an Appreciation certificate from the **Collector of Mumbai City** and the **President of Armed Forces Flag day Committee** for the contribution to the Armed Forces Flag day fund.

➤ Would like to place on record that our Chairman Shri R. Radhakrishnan got the **Lifetime achievement award** from Exim Integrated Club, Mumbai for his Lifelong Contribution towards Shipping and Maritime trade.

➤ **Parent-Teacher Interactive Session:** Principal Dr. Usha Iyer along with vice principals and course coordinators conducted a **Parent-teacher interaction** for first and Second Year students of all self-financing courses on **4th January 2020** from 11.30 am to 3.30 pm. in order to apprise the parents of the ward's progress and give their marksheets. She explained how PTA could offer the best possible learning environment for the students. She discussed about rules & regulations of the college, examination and value added courses conducted in our college. Parents were encouraged to organize separate discussion sessions during the year to discuss any concerns or discuss extra information that will assist the teachers to understand the needs of their ward.

Parents were apprised of Internal & External examinations, Industrial visits, various events, add-on courses, attendance and various other matters pertaining to the discipline of the college. Parents gave the suggestions like Internship Programme for the students, SMS regarding college updates, more knowledge on projects and Industrial visits and to arrange remedial classes for academically weaker students. Feedback was taken at the end of meeting. Such meetings are an opportunity for parents and professors to work hand in hand

for the benefit of the students. The parents gave a very good feedback for the meeting and appreciated this effort of the Principal and the staff.

S.I.W.S College of Commerce and Economics organized one day picnic for its teaching staff to Alibaug. It was a road trip towards Alibaug during monsoon on 20 July 2019.

**Webinar / Conference / Workshop Attended By Non-Teaching Staff during Lockdown
Period of Covid - 19 Pandemic in the Month of July 2020**

Sundara Laxmi Mohan			
Sr No.	Date & Time	Title	Organizer
1)	16 & 17 May, 2020	Intercollegiate webinar on Management of body, soul and money	IQAC, Dept. of Psychology & Counselling Cell of N.G. Acharya & D.K. Marathe College
2)	26 May, 2020	National Webinar on Lockdown – Not Knockdown – Rejig Your Mental Health	Department of Business Economics, S.I.W.S. College
3)	29 June, 2020	National Webinar on Rejuvenating Mind	IQAC & Association of Mindfulness & Inter-Faith Dialogue, Dahanukar College
Mr. Ashok Kawal Bidlan			
4)	22 May, 2020	National Webinar on MS Excel – Tips & Tricks	IQAC & Bsc IT Department of Ghanashyamdas Saraf College
5)	30 May, 2020	National Webinar on Importance of concentration in E-learning	V.K. Krishna Menon College
6)	27 May, 2020	One day online workshop on Role of Non-teaching staff in college administration	Shri Pancham Khemraj Mahavidyalaya, Sawantwadi
Mr. R. Chandrasekar			
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10)	25-29 May, 2020	E-Governance, Data management & Financial Management	Kamala Nehru Mahavidyalaya
11)	18 May, 2020	Webinar on Managing Finances and Investments in Covid Times	IQAC of NES Ratnam College & Finmark – Leaders in Financial Market Education
12)	16 May, 2020	Lab Safety and Fire Extinguisher Operations	Department of Chemistry, K.J. Somaiya College
13)	11 May, 2020	Staying Safe Online in Lockdown Times	Department of Computer Science & IQAC of R.D. & S.H. National College
14)	12 may, 2020	Online Procedure to be followed on admissions & examinations and effective use of social media during college admissions	IQAC, S.M. Shetty College
15)	2 - 4 May, 2020	Advance Excel – An insight into the essentials	IT, CS Department and IQAC of N.G. Acharya & D.K. Marathe College
16)	27 May, 2020	National Webinar on Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on Health sector of Maharashtra State	N.S.S. College of Commerce & Economics
17)	27 May, 2020	Selection of suitable insurance plans	IQAC & Department of Banking & Insurance in association with Financial Planning Academy
18)	22 May, 2020	MS Excel - Tips & Tricks	IQAC & Bsc IT Department of Ghanashyamdas Saraf College

Despite the lockdown due to Covid -19 Pandemic, the teaching and non-teaching staff of our college participated in online events and took efforts to learn the new teaching platforms with the help of technology & expertise by Professionals. There was a vibrant online activity in the month of May 2020 through various webinars/quiz/ competitions lecture series etc. organized by the various Departments and Associations of the college.

Our College was designated as the **Lead College** for Cluster 5 colleges by the University of Mumbai to ensure smooth conduct of College and University exams for the year 2019-20. About nine colleges in the proximity came under our cluster. Principal Dr. Usha Iyer has been guiding the colleges by giving the proforma for the conduct of exams, evaluation and results declaration through various meetings. .

With the earnest efforts of Principal Dr Usha Iyer **The College received the 2(f) and 12(B) certification from UGC, New Delhi by a letter dated 24, December 2019**

Many teachers have attended webinars/lectures and training programs and the nonteaching staff have also been sent for such online training programs to make them well-equipped for the forthcoming academic year 2020-21 during which most of the work will be undertaken online.



Dr. Usha S. Iyer

Principal

31st May 2020
