# Report of the Principal (2006 – 2007)

I present a brief report on the activities of our College during the academic year 2006-2007. The academic year commenced in June 2006.

#### **ADMISSIONS**

In this academic year Vidya Prasarak Mandal introduced Online Submission of Admission forms for all classes. Our Campus is the first institution to have successfully implemented this idea. I am happy to state that our office staff extended their full support for this innovative idea and successfully managed the admissions and created a student database.

# **ENROLLMENT**

We have an impressive strength of students in the degree & junior college both aided & unaided. The faculty wise break up is as follows –

# **Degree College**

# **Junior College**

FYBA	337	FYBCOM	560	11 <sup>th</sup> Arts	259	11 <sup>th</sup> Comm.	601
SYBA	302	SYBCOM	440	12 <sup>th</sup> Arts	283	12 <sup>th</sup> Comm.	608
TYBA	315	TYBCOM	415				
TOTAL	954		1415		542		1209
Grand Total (Degree College)			2369	Grand Total (Junior College)		1751	

Self Financed Courses (Degree College)							
	BMS	B. Com. (Accounting	B. Com. (Banking &	M. Com.			
		& Finance)	Insurance)				
FY	120	52	53	-			
SY	93	41	37	-			
TY	82	23	37	-			
PART I	-	-	-	20			
PART II	-	-	-	12			
TOTAL	295	116	127	32			
Grand Total			570				

B. Lib. I. Sc.	32
M. Lib. I. Sc.	15
TOTAL	47

# $Total\ strength = 4737 +$

We have introduced an unaided division in the FY Commerce section of the Degree College. This is in addition to unaided divisions at the FYJC and SYJC Commerce.

I am proud to state that we have received permission to start the Masters Degree in Library and Information Science (M. Lib. I. Sc). It is the first college in Mumbai to receive such recognition. We have 15 students enrolled which is the maximum allowed by the University.

The college is a recognized center for Ph. D. in Philosophy with Dr. (Mrs.) S. A. Singh as recognized research guide. We have also received recognition to admit students to the center for M. A. by Research.

#### **EXAMINATIONS**

Success at the Examination is an important index to evaluate the performance of an Institution. Judged from that angle we have acquitted ourselves creditably. Our percentage of successful students at the TYBCOM stands at 63.32%. Anup Chiche stood First. At the TYBA an impressive 93.01% students have passed, Poonam Mhatre from the Department of Philosophy stood first in the college. In the self-financing courses Edwina Pagar stood first among TYBMS students. The pass percentage at the TYBMS stands at 83.33%. Our TYBCOM (Accounting & Finance) results are equally impressive with 85.71% Mhaske Sushant stood first in the TYBCOM (Accounting & Finance) Exam. 92.31% students completed the M. Com. Examination. Pai Namrata and Savale Vrushali stood first in the B. Lib. I. Sc. Examination.

The **H.S.C.** results have been equally impressive. In the **Commerce Faculty** our pass percentage is 94.67. 32 students secured Distinction & 253 students were awarded First Class. In the **Arts faculty** our results are 79.29% with 05 Distinctions & 43 First Classes. I congratulate the successful students.

#### CO-CURRICULAR & CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular & extra-curricular activities are important in the development of our students' personality.

#### **SPORTS**

Our College has established a formidable reputation in the field of sports. A separate report on the sports activities will be read later. However, some of our distinctive achievements must be highlighted.

#### **A** BADMINTON

Our College badminton team comprising of Pavan Singh and Sadashiv Rajguru were Quarter finalists at the Inter-collegiate tournament. Pawan Singh won the Silver medal in the individual Championship.

Akshay Dewalkar represented India in Junior Asian Championship held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and in the world Junior championship in Korea.

Ankita Malgaonkar and Varada Dixit of the Junior college are winners of the Thane District Inter Junior College Badminton Tournament.

Varada Dixit, Ankita Malgaonkar and Zaman Kazi have been selected to represented Maharashtra for school Nationals to be held in Kerala.

# **\*** ATHLETICS

Prachita Patankar won the Gold Medal in long jump at Inter Collegiate Athletic Competition. She represented Mumbai University at Ashwamegh and won a Bronze Medal.

Prathamesh Rane won the Gold Medal at Shot-Put at the Inter-Collegiate competition and represented Mumbai University at Ashwamegh and won the Silver Medal.

Navin Singh won the Gold medal in the High Jump at Maharashtra Athletics Amateur association and participated in open national at Bangalore.

#### \* KABADDI

Advaita Mangle and Swapnil Ghadi represented Mumbai University.

#### \* <u>KARATE</u>

In Karate, Sripad Gore won the Silver Medal at the third Asia Cup Championship and the Gold Medal at the 3<sup>rd</sup> open state Karate Competition.

#### \* **SWIMMING**

Tejashree Ganpatye represented Mumbai University and won one Silver Medal and Two Bronze Medal at the Inter University Swimming Competition.

Samruddhi Patil of the Junior college won the Gold Medal at the Thane District and Mumbai Division in Inter-Collegiate Swimming Competition. She has been selected in the State Level Swimming Competition.

# **\*** KHO-KHO

Our Junior College boys were winners of Thane Taluka Inter-Collegiate Kho-Kho Tournament.

#### \* CRICKET

Our Junior college boys won the Thane Taluka Inter-Collegiate Cricket Tournament

#### **WRESTLING**

Nilesh Shinde won the Bronze Medal at Inter-Collegiate Wrestling Competition. He also won the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize at Mumbai University.

Vijay Dudhade was placed First in University of Mumbai in Power Lifting.

Shankar Thevar was place First in University of Mumbai in Weightlifting and Power lifting.

#### **\*** CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

In the field of cultural activities our achievements are as follows: -

Our students were selected for the finals in Group Songs, Light Vocal, Classical Vocal and Skit in the inter-collegiate youth festival conducted by Mumbai University.

Renukadas Dande won the First prize in the inter-Collegiate Poetry Competition at Shivale..

Anuja Phadke won the Second prize for Best acting at the Sakal One Act Competition.

The One Act Play 'Search in Progress' reached the finals of Amdar Chashak Inter-Collegiate competition.

The Thane Branch of Vivekanand Kendra Kanyakumari organized Bhartiya Sanskruti Pariksha. In this Examination Veena Kabtta stood First in Vibhag 2 which includes Mumbai, Thane Goa and Ratnagiri Divisions. Supriya More stood Second and Sneha Sharma stood Third.

# **❖** <u>N.C.C.</u>

Our College has NCC Army & Navy Unit for Boys & Girls. Prof. Deepak Sable was sent for Pre-Commission Training for three weeks to Nagpur and nine weeks to Kochi. In the nine-week training he was awarded the Best All Round Trophy.

#### \* N.S.S.

The NSS Unit of our College has been actively involved in implementing the programme of the NSS cell of Mumbai University. To sensitize students to rural realities & involve them in community development a 10 days camp will be organized by the NSS Unit of our College.

#### **CIVIL DEFENCE**

With a view to preparing the students to face natural or man-made calamities the civil Defence unit of our College organized a basic civil defence course for students in October. The students were given training in first aid, fire fighting, self-rescue, handling un-exploded bombs & general rescue measures. Thirty-five students completed the course.

#### **❖** <u>SCHOLARS ACADEMY</u>

A scholar's academy has been setup. The academy has identified scholars & has been conducting programs regularly. A guest lecture was delivered by the D. Sivanandan, Police Commissioner of Thane on 'Mantras for Success'. This scholars Academy will help students to interact with some of the best minds through lectures and thereby ensure the intellectual development of our students personality.

# **SPORTS AND TALENT ACADEMY**

We have initiated two academies – Sports and Talent Academy to harness the talent & energy of our students in creative and sporting activities. A number of lectures and programs will be conducted by these academies. Our endeavor is to produce leaders in the field of sports and creative activities.

#### **\* PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION**

To involve the parents & ensure that they are in constant touch with their wards progress, a Parent-Teacher Association has been set up in the Junior College.

#### I.D.E. CONTACT LECTURE PROGRAMME (P. C. P.) CENTRE

Our college has been granted permission by the Director, Institution of Distance Education, University of Mumbai, to conduct Contact Lecture Programme for F.Y, S.Y, T.Y.B.A. Prof. S. G. Shinde has been appointed Co-Ordinator for the program.

#### **❖ NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON BIO-ETHICS**

A two days UGC sponsored National conference on Bio-Ethics has been organized on January 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> 2007. The conference will have eminent scholars presenting papers on Bio-Ethical issues. Two workshops have been organized for our teachers on the subject.

On the occasion of World Mental Health Day, students of our college along with teachers undertook a rally on October 10 to create awareness regarding suicide. They took a Pledge never to commit or attempt suicide, and always come to the help of someone who they know is in danger of committing it. They went around the city with posters and placards, to give information and bring about awareness on this issue among the citizens of Thane.

#### **Students**

Our students are our strength. Well behaved & disciplined they have contributed to the growing stature of our college. Our visitors have again and again complimented our students for their good behavior.

Our student council is our pride. With great enthusiasm they have involved themselves in every activity that we have initiated this year. I congratulate our student council general secretary Swapnil Mayekar and his team.

From this academic year we have instituted special prizes in the category of **Best Students** Arts, Commerce, Self-financing (Degree College) and Arts & Commerce (Junior College). Special prizes are awarded to the following students

- 1) Best Student (Arts Faculty Degree College) Reshma Chitnis
- 2) Best Student (Commerce Faculty Degree College) Veena Kabtta
- 3) Best Student (Arts Faculty Junior College) Pratik Mukane
- 4) Best Student (Commerce Faculty Junior College) Prathamesh More
- 5) Best Students Self-financing Courses i) Shreyas Govitrikar
  - ii) Sudha Singh

# **TEACHING STAFF**

We are fortunate in having a band of dedicated teachers. I am happy to say that we have 12 Full time teachers for the BMS, B. Com. Accounting & Finance & Banking & Insurance Courses. Our teachers are engaged in a number of academic and related activities. I would like to mention some of their activities are

❖ Prof. N. S. Barse, Prof. Pradeep Waghmare qualified in the State Eligibility Test in their respective subjects. Prof. (Mrs.) Surekha Tiwale

- and Prof. (Mrs.) Pramila Patil cleared their National Eligibility Test and State Eligibility Test in their respective subjects.
- ❖ Prof. D. S. Bhide completed his refresher course in Economics at the Gokhale Institute of Economics and Politics, Pune.
- ❖ Prof. (Mrs.) Monika M. Deshpande completed her refresher course at the International Institute of Population Studies, Mumbai in Population Studies.
- ❖ Prof. (Mrs.) Roopali S. Walu jkar-Deshpande has been selected for a vocational and Cultural exchange programme called 'Group Study Exchange' sponsored by the Rotary International Foundation. She will be visiting Kansas State in USA for 6 weeks in April 2007.
- ❖ Prof. (Mrs.) S. V. Bhide presented a proposal to the Board of Studies in Mathematics and Statistics to introduce Financial Mathematics & Vital Statistics at the F.Y.B.Com.
- ❖ Prof. S. G. Shinde has co-authored a textbook titled 'Samkalin Jag' for the TYBA History course.
- ❖ Prof. Anil Bhabad delivered a lecture on 'Competitive Examinations and Personality Development' at the Vasant Rao Naik College at Nashik. He was invited by the same institution to judge the State Level Elocution competition "Vasant Karandak".
- Prof. N. S. Barse was appointed as Subject expert by Y.C.M.O.U. for M. Lib. I. Sc. students at Mamasaheb Mohol College, Pune & K. B. P. College, Vashi.
- ❖ Prof. Ms. R. R. Bahel was invited by the H. S. C. Board Pune to review and recommend textbooks in History for S.Y.J.C. Arts under the revised syllabus.

# **Felicitation for Distinctive Achievements**

A few of our teachers and member of the supporting staff deserve to be felicitated for their distinctive achievements.

- ❖ Prof. D. K. Morey was awarded the Dr. Babasaheb Dalit Mitra Puraskar by Government of Maharashtra.
- ❖ Prof. (Mrs.) Radha Natarajan presented a paper titled 'Cartography for the Common Man' at the 26<sup>th</sup> INCA International Congress conducted by the International Cartographic Association at Delhi.
- ❖ Prof. (Mrs.) Priyamvada Tokekar secured A Grade in the Certificate Course in Women's Studies conducted by the Research Centre for Women's Studies SNDT.

  She also presented a paper on 'Domestic Violence in India' at a State Level Seminar organized by the Women's Development Cell of N. K. T. College, Thane.
- ❖ Prof. (Mrs.) Roopali Walujkar-Deshpande completed her minor research project sanctioned and financed by the UGC. Her topic of research was 'From Local to Global: Changing nature of Regulated Agricultural Marketing in Maharashtra'.
- ❖ Prof. Deepak Sable won the all Round Trophy in the National Level Pre-Commission. Training held at the Southern Naval Command, Naval Base, Kochi conducted by Ministry of Defence, Government of India.
- ❖ Mrs. Manali Ambokar, Senior Clerk completed her MA in Sociology.

I would like to place on record the support & guidance from the Management, Teachers, Supporting Staff, Students Council & Students. With such overwhelming goodwill we will be able to realize our vision of pursuing excellence in every field of activity and moving towards A and A+.

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