

Report of the Principal (2007-2008)

I present a brief report on the activities of our College during the academic year 2007-2008.

ADMISSIONS

Our Management, Vidya Prasarak Mandal introduced online submission of admission forms for last two years. Our Campus is the first institutions to have successfully implemented this idea. Our office staff extended their full support for this innovative idea, successfully managed the admissions & 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 –

<u>Degree College</u>		<u>Junior College</u>	
Arts	925	Arts	495
Commerce	1380	Commerce	1078
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Total	2305		1573

Self-Financed Courses

BMS	320
Bcom with Accounts & Finance	152
Bcom with Banking & Insurance	153
M.Com	58
B.Lib	30
M.Lib	05
FYBMM	54
Research students in Philosophy	04

Total strength = 4654

B.M.M. course

From the Academic Year 2007-2008 we have started a new unaided B.M.M. course with an enrolment of 54 students.

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 **H.S.C.** results have been impressive.

Kum. Mahadik Nikita of XII Commerce stood 1st in Economics among the girls in the Mumbai Board

In the **Commerce Faculty** our pass percentage is 94.63.
45 students secured Distinction &
273 students were awarded First Class.

1st three rankers in COMM. faculty

More Rutuja	84.17 %
Phadtare Reshma	83.00 %
Joshi Rashmi	83.00 %
Loke Jagruti	82.33 %

In the **Arts faculty** our results are 74.21% with
11 Distinctions &
30 First Classes.

1st three rankers in ARTS faculty

Waghule Pradnya D.	83.33 %
Redkar Sanjyoti	79.50 %
Potjale Shubhangi	74.00 %

We congratulate the successful students.

Our degree college students have really brought glory to our college by getting rank and securing distinctions in their subjects.

Miss. Sneha Sharma of T.Y.B.A stood 4th in the merit list of Mumbai University securing 81% in Philosophy

Miss. Shinde Gayatri Bhupendra of TYBA stood second in the subject of Geography from Mumbai University & secured 426 marks.

1st Three Rankers from T.Y.B.A are

1. 486/ 600 Sharma Sneha U. (81%)
2. 448/ 600 Syan Harmeet K. (74.68%)
3. 431/600 Mishra Sudha H. (71.83%)

1st Three Rankers from T.Y.B.Com are

1. 580/ 700 Dangeti Nagasantoshi N.(82.85%)
2. 576/700 Patkar Shrutika S. (82.28%)
3. 558/700 Nikam Kanchan M. (79.71%)

B.Lib.I.Sc

•Ms.Shweta Patwardhan stood 1st in University in B.Lib.I.Sc. & awarded 6 prizes out of 7.

Our percentage of successful students at

TYBCOM	65.38%.
TYBA	87.73%
TYBMS	61.73%.
TYBCOM (A/ F)	83.33%.

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.

1) Dheeraj Mishra XI th Commerce represented India in the South Asian Federation Games held at Colombo.

He won the Gold Medal in Triple Jump.

He is also selected in the Junior Commonwealth Games **Athletic** Coaching Camp to be held at Pune in 2008

He also won the Gold Medal in Triple Jump at State level and represented Maharashtra in same event and won the Gold medal at School national held from 9th 12th January 2008.

2) Naveen Singh XII th Commerce was selected for the Youth World **Athletic** Camp held at Jamshedpur in May 2007.

He won the Gold medal in High Jump at State level and represented Maharashtra in the same event and won the Silver medal at School National held from 9th to 12th January 2008 at Calcutta.

3) Pawan Singh of TYBCom represented University of Mumbai in **Badminton**.

4) Nishikant Patil of SYBcom represented University of Mumbai in **Kabaddi**.

5) Tejashree Ganpate of SYBCom won three Gold Medals in **Swimming** and represented University of Mumbai.

6) **Shriprasad Gore** of SYBMS won the Gold Medal in Kumite Black Belt. He also won the Bronze Medal in **Open Weight** Kumite Categories in International Level at Kathmandu, Nepal, 2007.

7) **Tushar Dhaigude** of SYBA represented University of Mumbai in **Lawn Tennis**.

On 22nd December 2007 a well equipped Gym for the students of our College was inaugurated by Dr.Vijay Bedekar, Chairman Vidya Prasarak Mandal, Thane. It was a dream fulfilled for the Principal to provide this facility to the students.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

In the field of cultural activities our students have won a number of prizes.

Venkatesh Kadam, one of our talented students won Ist prize in Rangoli in NKT, Dnyansadhana , Elphistone and Ruia College and 3rd prize in Rizvi College

Again, 1st prize in Arm Designing and Poster Making in NKT College, and 1st prize in Tadoo making in Dnyansadhana College.

Prasad Bhadavkar won 2nd prize, in personality context in NKT College

Prabhav Godse & Group, 1st prize in Group Singing, Prabhav Godse & Rohan Naik, 1st prize in Duet singing in Somaiya College.

Karishma Athawale won 1st prize in Elphistone & 2nd prize in Dnyansadhana College in Singing.

Karishma Athawale & Dhanashri Dhamsale won 1st prize in Duet Singing in Elphistone College, and Karishma Athawale & Tejashree Parchure 1st prize in Dnyansadhana College.

Tejashree Parchure stood 1st in Solo Singing in Dnyansadhana College.

In Theatre we have achieved success.

In the Lokmat Skit Competition

Chetan Ratwadkar & Pooja Kadam 1st Prize
Ashwin Dhakras & Akshay Joshi 3rd Prize
Reshma Chitnis & Prajakta Pawar } Consolation Prizes
Anuja Phadake & Kailas Kadam }

In the Bhavans One Act Play Competition, Special prize was given to Kailas Kadam & Akshada Vaze.

Dance

Bhumika Deshmukh & Group got 1st prize in NKT College

Our students Rohan Naik & Renukadas Dande represented Mumbai University in Inter-University Cultural Competitions in singing and Poetry Recitation.

• **N.C.C.**

Our College has NCC Army & Navy Unit for Boys & Girls.

We are happy to announce that 1 Maharashtra girls Battallion NCC B. Group wing is now with Joshi-Bedekar College from 2007, Mrs.M.M.Joshi has been selected In charge of this Unit.

• **N.S.S.**

A 10 day residential NSS Camp was organized in Mammoli, near Kalyan from 25th Oct. to 3rd Nov. 2007. Students actively involved themselves in the various camp activities.

• **On 6th August 2007** the NSS Students participated in Peace Rally organized by the Mumbai Sarvodaya Mandal and on **9th August** they participated in a programme organized at August Kranti Maidan.

•• Our College won Ist, 3rd & consolation prizes in Drama in Loksatta & Yuva Jagaran cultural competitions organized for NSS students.

On 24th Sept. 2007 i.e. NSS DAY and ‘UNICEF PROMOTED - DAY OF A GIRL CHILD’. Our NSS volunteers organized a RALLY along with students’ council members & Women’s Development Cell.

The theme was ‘SAVE A GIRL CHILD’.

Scholar's Academy

The Scholar's Academy established in the year 2005-2006 continues to encourage our young scholars in the pursuit of knowledge & academic excellence. The Scholar's Academy has been named '**Ved Vyas Sabha**'. For the 1st time the idea of an Inter-collegiate essay competition was introduced & executed. A number of interactive lectures have been organized for the students of the academy.

Talent Academy

- For the first time in our College the Talent Academy organized an Inter-Collegiate Competition '**गंधर्व मेलोत्सव**' with sponsorship from ICICI Bank, Kompass Aviation & Lokmat as Media Partner. The Inter-Collegiate Competition received good response from Colleges like St.Xavier's College of Education, Ruia , KB and Dnyansadhana College etc..

The competition included **literary , theatre & music events**. ST.Xavier's College of Education won the maximum prizes. I must place on record the excellent work done by Talent Academy in organizing the intercollegiate festival.

•UGC sponsored 2-day national seminar on Bioethics

Joshi-Bedekar College organized a national seminar on Bioethics at the Thorale Bajirao Peshwe Sabhagruha on 24th & 25th January 2007. Dr. Bhuvan Chandel, Member Secretary, Centre for Studies in Civilization, New Delhi, delivered the key-note address. The guest speakers, Justice M.F.Saldanha, Dr.Arun Bal, Dr.Sunil Pandya, Dr. Ajai Singh & Dr.Firuza Parikh, enthralled the audience with their presentations. Two pre conference workshops preceded the seminar.

Workshops for Junior College

Three Workshops were conducted in our College by Education Department in this Academic Year.

- 1) Our College conducted three days district level Teachers' Training Programme on changed syllabus of Book Keeping & Accountancy for Std. XI and XII from 6th to 8th Sept. 2007. 30 teachers from different colleges in Thane District attended the workshop. Deputy Education Officer Shri. Puri was present at the workshop.

2) A Workshop on 'Teacher Approval' was arranged from 22th to 26th Oct.2007 for the College teachers of Thane District.

Deputy Director, Mrs.S.Tiwari & Assistant Deputy Director Shri.Mhatre visited the workshop on the last day & appreciated the arrangements made by the College.

3) A workshop was arranged in our College by the Education Department on 12th November 2007 to address the Vice-Principals & Junior College Clerks of all colleges of Thane District.

The workshop discussed computerizing the college records to be presented to the Education Department. Officers from education dept. addressed and guided the delegates.

Elimination Round of Youth Festival of Mumbai University

On 3rd August 2007 V.P.M.'s Joshi-Bedekar Arts & Commerce and B. N. Bandodkar Science College jointly shared the responsibility of conducting elimination rounds of cultural competitions for Thane District for the Mumbai University Youth Festival. 26 Colleges from Thane district participated in the competitions.

• VPM's Joshi-Bedekar College Film Society

Vidya Prasarak Mandal has established 'VPM's Joshi-Bedekar College Film Society' on the 'Janadweep' Campus for benefit of our students. The society was inaugurated on Thursday, 12th July 2007 by international film director Shri.Shyam Benegal. Renowned Marathi filmmaker Shri.Kiran Shantaram and film critique Shri.Sudhir Nandgaonkar also graced the occasion. Internationally acclaimed films are screened regularly. The film society has received an excellent response from the teachers and students in the campus.

•Generation Dialogue

•Today the youth lack guidance & support from senior citizens. To bridge this gap a generation dialogue is needed. Our college has given a thought to this issue and started a platform called Generation Dialogue where senior citizens will guide and advice the youth.

Parent Teacher Meeting

A parents- teachers meeting was held for FY classes of Self Financing Courses. The purpose of the meeting was to explain the expectations of the college, breadth & depth of syllabus of all the courses & the response required from the students for successfully accomplishing the course.

Dr. Mrs. Singh explained importance of teachers- parents-students relationship for smooth functioning of academic programme.

Forthcoming National Seminar

•A UGC sponsored 2-day national seminar on Indian Philosophy : It's Relevance in the 21st Century will be held on 18th & 19th January 2008 at the Thorale Bajirao Peshwe Sabhagruha. Dr. R.Balasubramanian, Former Chairman, Indian Council for Philosophical Research and Former Director, Institute for Advanced Study in Philosophy, Chennai will deliver the keynote address. A special feature of the seminar will be a symposium on Texts, Tradition & Methods of Indian Philosophy to be chaired by Justice B.N.Srikrishna, Former Judge, Supreme Court of India. Two pre-conferences workshops were held where 14 members of our teaching staff presented their papers on various aspects related to the theme of the seminar.

Achievements of Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff

We are fortunate in having a band of dedicated teachers and supporting staff who are engaged in a number of academic and related activities. I would like to mention some of them.

I congratulate the following teachers for completing their minor research projects awarded by the U.G.C.

- **Prof. Smita V. Bhide and Radha Natarajan** - "Assessment of the Aptitude for Entrepreneurship in under Graduate students of Thane City."
- **Prof. Suchitra A Naik** - "Understanding and helping Suicidal Teenagers".
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Mrs.U.S.Beke (Vice-Principal – Jr.College)

Appointed Member of Board of Studies for Economics by the Poona Maharashtra Board of Secondary Education for 4 years from October 2007 onwards. It is for the first time in Junior College that our teacher has been appointed as a member of Board of Studies.

Prof.D.S.Bhide

Prof.D.S.Bhide was invited as resource person for a course in Economics for higher Secondary School of teachers from the Central Schools. The participants were teachers from Delhi, Calcutta, Hyderabad, Chennai and U.P.

.प्रा.दामोदर मोरे

1) खालील ग्रंथाला प्रस्तावना

प्रा.डॉ.विनयकुमार पाठक लिखित आंगोडकरी सौंदर्यशास्त्र और दलित आदिवासी जनतातीय विमर्श. आंगोडकरी सौंदर्यशास्त्र को डॉ.विनय कुमार पाठक का प्रदेय या डॉ.इंद्रादुर सिं लिखित.

2) कांतिलाल भडंगे यां या काव्यसंग्राला प्रस्तावना.

3) मिसळे यां या सिध्दार्थाले परिव्रक्त या नाटकास प्रस्तावना.

4) पलके सुलगरी, नीले शदोको छाया में, पीछलाक्काेिंदी कविता संग्र प्रकाशित

5) भारतीय तत्वज्ञाना एकविसाव्या शतकात प्रांसगिकता या विषयावर गोशीडेकर म विद्यालयात ालेल्या कार्यशाळेत शुध्द तत्वज्ञाना भारतीय रा यघटनेवर प्रभाव या विषयावर शोधनिंध वा न.

6) आंगोडकरी सौंदर्यशास्त्र को डॉ.विनयकुमार पाठक का प्रदेय या छत्तीसगड येथे ालेल्या प्रकाशन कार्यक्रमाे अध्यक्षस्थान भूषविले.

7) पी.एन.एन. म विद्यालय भिवंडी येथे डॉ. ासाे आंगोडकर : जीवन आणि कार्य या विषयावर व्याख्यान.

8) कला आणि वाणि य म विद्यालय गोवेली येथे देशभक्त ासाे आंगोडकर या विषयावर व्याख्यान.

9) कला आणि वाणि य म विद्यालय गोवेली येथील ग्रंथालयास स्वतः या ग्रंथसंग्रालील 105 पुस्तके दान ढणून दिली.

Prof.(Mrs.) M.M.Joshi

Invited as a Resource Person in Secretarial Practice for the workshop in Thane District.

Invites to guide students on 'How to prepare for the HSC Board Exam. for S.P. Subject in Royal College, Dombivli.

Awarded Masters Degree in Naturopathy.

Prof.S.G.Shinde

*Co-authored a paper with Prof.N.S.Barse titled is 'Global Warming and It's effects on Coastline Settlements' The paper was submitted for a National Conference in Shardabai Pawar College, Baramati, Pune.

Prof.(Mrs.) Mugdha Kulkarni

Received Shri.Sudhakar Dixit scholarship for the year 06-07 for Ph.D.
Invited for guiding school teachers teaching Sanskrit at Swami Vivekanand School, Dombivli on the revised syllabus of Std.X as well as easy methods of teaching Sanskrit grammar.

Translated Marathi folk songs into Sanskrit for the Sanskrit film, to be released in July 2008.

Prof.(Mrs.) Ruchita Rane

1. Presented a paper entitled “A Glimpse of Dialogues in Indian Tradition with special emphasis to Bharatanātyam” in the 7th session of the Brhnmaharashtra Prachya vidya Parishad held in joint collaboration with Dept. o Sanskrit, university of Mumbai at Keshav Srushti, Bhayandar, Mumbai from 4th –6th May, 2007.

Our supporting staff have taken our advice to complete their education seriously. Four of our office staff have successfully completed their HSC & SSC examinations.

•**Shri.Mukul Koli, Shri.Rupesh Zagade** and **Shri.Yogesh Zope** passed HSC & Mukul Koli has completed his MSCIT.

- **Shri.Eknath Dant** completed SSC.

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

I/c Principal

Teaching & supporting staff to be felicitated

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