

SST COLLEGE CELEBRATES SHRAVAN WITH DEEPO TSAV

STUDENTS CONNECT WITH TRADITIONS THROUGH DANCE, RITUALS, AND PHILOSOPHY OF INDIAN FESTIVALS



Students, faculty, and dignitaries pose for a group photograph following the Deepotsav celebrations at SST College, Ulhasnagar.

To mark the beginning of the sacred month of Shravan, SST College organized Deepotsav, a celebration that beautifully blended light, culture, and tradition. The college campus glowed with the radiance of oil lamps, while the chanting of "Tamso Ma Jyotirgamaya" (Lead me

from darkness to light) created a spiritual and inspiring atmosphere, evoking the essence of Indian festivals among students.

The event was organized under the banner of the Sanjeevani Cultural Committee. The college's student art group, Dramanomics, presented a

vibrant cultural performance showcasing traditional dances that reflected various festivals celebrated during the month of Shravan.

The program commenced with the ceremonial lighting of lamps by the college's founding principal, Dr. Purswani, and IQAC coordinator Dr.

Khushbu Purswani. Mr. Sandeep Patil, director of Reliable Academy, graced the occasion as the chief guest.

Vice-Principal, faculty members, and a large number of students actively participated in the celebration. Staying true to the college's tradition, the festival

aimed to deepen students' understanding of Indian culture and heritage.

More than just a cultural delight, this Deepotsav served as an inspiring initiative instilling values, philosophy, and a sense of belonging to India's rich traditions among the younger generation.

SST COLLEGE HOSTS THANE DISTRICT NSS PLANNING SESSION

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS, DIGITAL LITERACY, AND HEALTH CAMPS AMONG KEY AGENDA POINTS



(Left) SST College Principal Dr. J. C. Purswani seen with dignitaries at the NSS Planning Session. (Right) Dignitaries engage with members and officers during the event at SST College.

NSS Planning Session for Thane District, organized under the aegis of the University of Mumbai's NSS Unit, was successfully hosted by SST College, Ulhasnagar.

The meeting was held in association with the college's NSS unit and witnessed active participation from Program Officers (POs) representing NSS units across Thane district. The session fo-

cused on formulating the action plan for the year, covering a wide range of initiatives such as blood donation drives, environmental awareness campaigns, health check-up camps, digital literacy programs, and village adoption projects.

Welcoming the participants, Dr. Purswani, Founding Principal of SST College, highlighted the importance of NSS activities in shaping socially respon-

sible youth. "NSS is not just about community service, but about instilling values of empathy, leadership, and nation-building in students," he said.

Mr. Sandeep Patil, District Coordinator for NSS (Thane), stressed the need for innovative outreach programs. "Along with our regular activities, we must encourage students to take up new challenges such as cli-

mate action, financial literacy awareness, and health and hygiene campaigns in rural areas. These initiatives will make NSS more impactful in today's context," he remarked.

Several Program Officers also shared their perspectives during the session. Prof. Khushboo Purswani, IQAC Coordinator, observed, "Such planning meetings provide a roadmap that helps us coordinate ef-

orts across colleges and ensure that NSS activities are implemented in a structured manner throughout the year."

The session concluded with a collective pledge to work towards the holistic development of students and society. With clear objectives and renewed enthusiasm, NSS units across Thane district are set to embark on another year of meaningful community engagement.

INTERACTIVE FACULTY INDUCTION PROGRAM CONDUCTED BY IQAC AND CAPACITY BUILDING COMMITTEE VICE PRINCIPALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND FACULTY PROVIDE POSITIVE FEEDBACK ON THE PROGRAM



Dr. J. C. Purswani, Founder Principal, and Dr. Khushbu Purswani, IQAC Coordinator, interact with faculty members during the induction program at the college.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Capacity Building Committee of the college recently organized an interactive faculty induction program for all teaching staff.

The session aimed to familiarize faculty members with the IQAC guidelines, institutional policies, and the various academic and co-curricular activities conducted by the college. Through an engaging format, the induction helped new and existing

teachers understand their roles, responsibilities, and the college's expectations for maintaining academic excellence.

Dr. Khushbu Purswani, IQAC Coordinator, addressed the faculty during the session, emphasizing the importance of professional development and active participation in college initiatives. "Induction programs provide a platform for teachers to align with institutional goals, en-

hance teaching practices, and contribute meaningfully to student development," she said.

Dr. J. C. Purswani, Founder Principal, interacted with the faculty and encouraged collaboration. "Our aim is to create a supportive environment where teachers feel connected to the institution and motivated to contribute to its overall growth," he remarked.

Feedback from faculty and heads reflected the effectiveness

of the session. Vice Principal Dr. Deepak Gavade noted, "The induction was very informative and helped us understand how IQAC processes integrate with teaching and departmental activities."

IT/CS Coordinator Asst. Prof. Mayra Lachhani shared, "It was a well-structured session that clarified the roles of faculty in promoting student engagement and academic quality."

Faculty members

expressed appreciation as well. One participant said, "The interactive format made it easy to grasp institutional expectations and the guidance provided by the coordinators and principal was very motivating."

The induction concluded successfully, leaving faculty members better informed, motivated, and ready to actively participate in academic and co-curricular initiatives throughout the year.

IQAC AND STUDENT COUNCIL ORGANISED WEBINAR ON FIELD PROJECT GUIDANCE



Dr. Bhavika Karkera addressing students and faculty during the webinar on Field Project Guidance organized by IQAC and Student Council.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Student Council of the college organized a webinar on Field Project Guidance for students and faculty, highlighting the importance of real-world learning under NEP 2020.

Dr. Bhavika Karkera provided detailed guidance on project selection, research methodology, and report preparation, addressing queries from participants and making the session interactive.

She emphasized, "Field projects are not just academic requirements, they help students develop critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and hands-on un-

derstanding of real-world scenarios."

Students appreciated the session, noting that it clarified doubts and offered a clear roadmap for their projects. Initiatives like this aim to enhance experiential learning and prepare students for academic and professional success.

The webinar also highlighted the collaborative role of faculty in mentoring students through field projects. Teachers were encouraged to provide ongoing support, monitor progress, and ensure projects meet academic and practical learning.

STUDENTS HONOR MARTYRS ON KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS



Students and NSS members pay tribute to martyrs during the Kargil Vijay Diwas commemoration at the college.

NSS Unit of the college commemorated Kargil Vijay Diwas, paying tribute to the brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives during the Kargil War.

As part of its initiative to highlight significant national events, the NSS unit organized a solemn program to remember the martyrs and celebrate India's victory. Students participated actively in the event, recalling the heroic stories of soldiers and reflecting on their dedication and bravery.

The program included

speeches and presentations emphasizing the importance of national security and the sacrifices made by armed forces to protect the country. The event aimed to inspire patriotism and a sense of responsibility among students towards the nation.

By honoring the martyrs and revisiting the victory, the NSS unit reinforced the values of courage, discipline, and love for the nation, ensuring that the legacy of Kargil continues to resonate with the younger generation.

BARUNI WDC OUTLINES YEAR-LONG ACTIVITIES STUDENTS PLEDGE INVOLVEMENT

WDC HIGHLIGHTS PAST SUCCESSES AND UNVEILS UPCOMING PROGRAMS, DRAWS STRONG STUDENT SUPPORT



(Left) WDC Convener, Vice Principals, Department Coordinator and Cultural Head at the Women Development Cell orientation; (Right) a student shares her experience of being part of Women Development Cell.

Baruni - The Women Development Cell (WDC) of Baruni College organized an orientation session to introduce female students to its objectives, achievements, and planned activities for the academic year. The session received a positive response, with students showing enthusiasm and commitment towards active participation in upcoming initiatives.

The event saw the presence of dignitaries including Vice Principal & BAMMC Coordinator Dr. Deepak

Gavade, Vice Principal & NSS Thane District Coordinator Asst. Prof. Jeevan Vichare, Arts Coordinator Asst. Prof. Sambhaji Khandekar, and Sanjeevani Cultural Department Head Dr. Tushar Wakse.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Deepak Gavade emphasized the importance of platforms like WDC in nurturing confidence among young women. "Along with academics, it is essential that our students engage in co-curricular and social activities which develop leadership and decision-mak-

ing skills," he said.

Asst. Prof. Jeevan Vichare, who also serves as NSS Thane District Coordinator, highlighted the role of women in community outreach. "Through NSS and WDC, students can bring about social awareness on issues like gender equality, health, and education. It is encouraging to see so many young women ready to contribute," he remarked.

Arts Coordinator Asst. Prof. Sambhaji Khandekar called upon students to explore their

creative abilities. "The Women Development Cell is a space where students can showcase talent, develop cultural values, and strengthen their self-identity," he noted.

Adding to this, Dr. Tushar Wakse, Head of the Sanjeevani Cultural Department, stressed the importance of active participation. "True empowerment comes when students not only attend programs but also take initiative in organizing and leading them," he said.

The orientation also included an

overview of the past year's activities such as self-defense workshops, awareness drives, and cultural initiatives, followed by announcements of upcoming programs focused on leadership, personality development, and women-centric issues.

The event concluded with students expressing keen interest in volunteering and contributing actively to the Cell's initiatives throughout the year, marking a strong start for the Women Development Cell's calendar of activities.

STUDENT COUNCIL ORGANIZES EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO RESERVE BANK OF INDIA



Asst. Prof. Shaba Shaikh, Asst. Prof. Divya Pandey, Dr. Sunil Shah & Asst. Prof. Sachin Phalke along with SST College students at RBI, Mumbai.

Student Council of the college recently organized an educational visit to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), giving students a rare opportunity to understand the functioning of the nation's central banking institution.

The visit aimed to bridge classroom knowledge with real-world learning. Students were

introduced to the RBI's core functions, including monetary policy, regulation of banks, currency issue, and financial stability. A special highlight was the guided tour of the RBI Monetary Museum, which houses a rich collection of ancient coins, historical currency notes, and informative exhibits on the evolution of India's fi-

nancial system.

Sharing her experience, one student remarked, "The visit gave us a clear idea of how the RBI works to maintain economic balance. Seeing the museum exhibits made us realize the long journey of India's financial history."

Khushbu Purswani, IQAC Coordinator, praised the initiative,

stating, "Educational visits like these are vital for holistic learning. They not only enhance subject knowledge but also broaden students' perspectives about future career opportunities in finance and banking."

Dr. J. C. Purswani, Founder Principal, added, "The Student Council's effort

in organizing such meaningful visits reflects its commitment to student development. Exposure to institutions like RBI instills awareness and inspires responsibility towards the economy."

The students expressed gratitude to the college management and faculty for facilitating the visit.

SSTIANS VISIT BUNTY PARLE FOOD UNIT



Asst. Prof. Manju Jhuriani & Asst. Prof. Akash Jawrani along with students visited Bunty Parle Food, Ambernath.

As part of its ongoing educational initiatives, the Student Council of the college recently organized a visit to Bunty Parle Food, providing students with firsthand exposure to the operations of the food manufacturing industry.

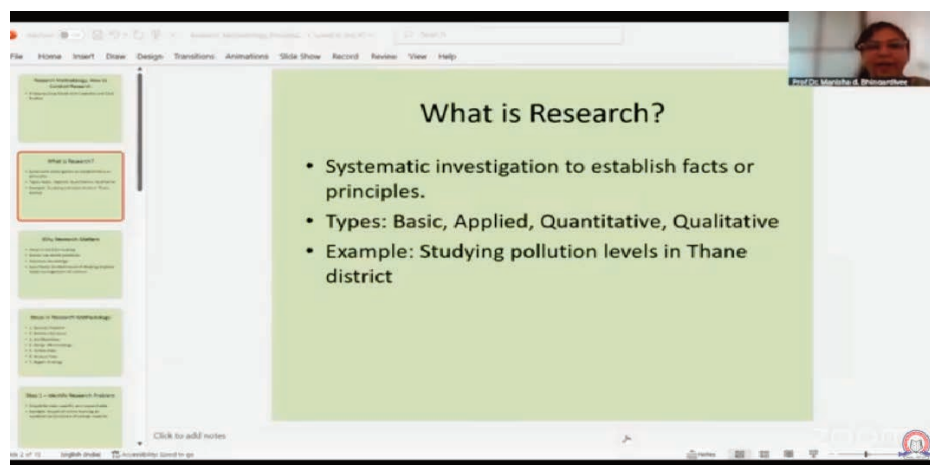
During the visit, students observed various stages of production, packaging, and quality control, gaining insights into the practical aspects of running a large-scale food business. The tour also highlighted management practices, hygiene standards, and operational efficiency, offering students a comprehensive understanding

of the industry.

Speaking about the visit, a student participant said, "This visit gave us a valuable perspective on how a food manufacturing unit operates. It was an excellent opportunity to learn beyond textbooks and connect theoretical knowledge with real-world practices."

The visit forms part of the Student Council's ongoing efforts to promote experiential learning and practical exposure. Such initiatives aim to equip students with industry insights, foster curiosity, and prepare them for professional challenges in their respective fields.

BAF DEPARTMENT HOSTS 'WRITE IT RIGHT' WEBINAR ON RESEARCH WRITING



Professor Dr. Manisha Bhingardive addresses students during the 'Write It Right' webinar on the art of research writing organized by the BAF Department.

Recognizing the importance of research writing skills for students, the BAF Department of the college recently organized a webinar titled 'Write It Right' focusing on the art and methodology of effective research writing.

Professor Dr. Manisha Bhingardive, the resource person for the session, provided insights into structuring research papers, proper citation methods, and techniques for presenting academic work clearly and professionally. She also highlighted common challenges faced by students and offered practical tips to overcome them.

During the interactive session, students were en-

couraged to ask questions about the nuances of research writing, from topic selection to compiling references. Dr. Bhingardive emphasized, "Research writing is not just about documenting information; it's about presenting ideas coherently, critically analyzing sources, and contributing

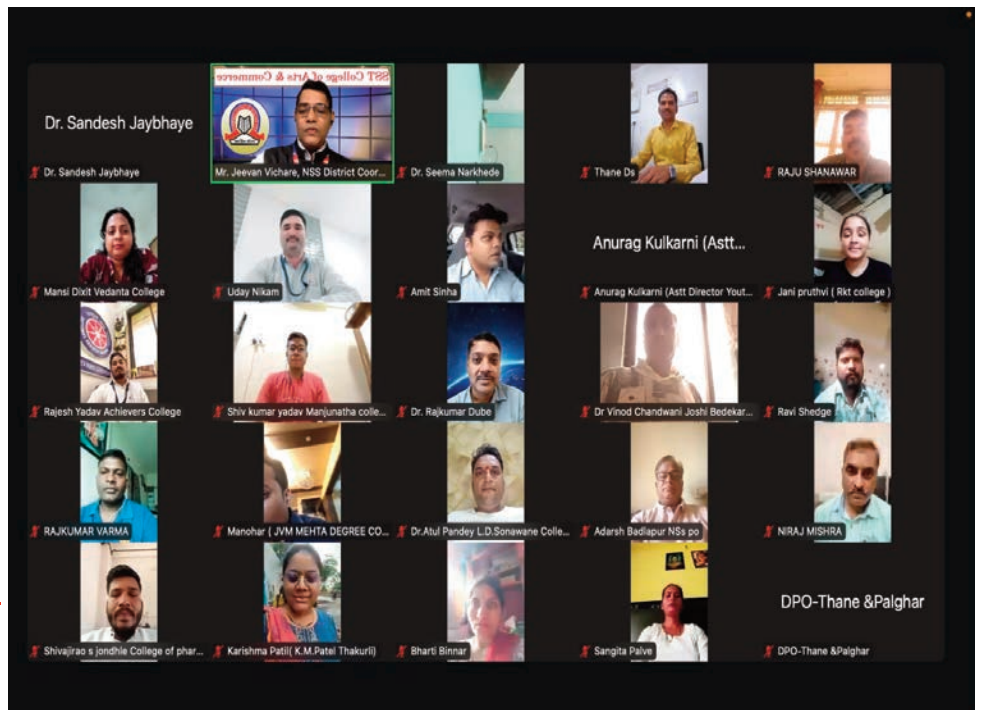
knowledge in the field." The webinar was widely appreciated by students, who noted that the guidance would help them improve the quality of their academic assignments and projects. Initiatives like this by the BAF Department aim to equip students with essential skills for academic success and professional growth.

SST COLLEGE LEADS ONLINE RCC TRAINING FOR NSS OFFICERS ACROSS THANE DISTRICT

NSS Unit of SST College successfully conducted an online RCC Sensitisation Training Program for NSS Nodal Officers from across Thane district. The training aimed to enhance officers' understanding of Red Cross Council (RCC) initiatives and provide practical guidance on implementing community service programs in alignment with NSS objectives.

stand their responsibilities in guiding students and organizing activities that have a real impact at the grassroots level."

A senior university official added, "This training helps standardize knowledge across all NSS units in the district and empowers officers to plan and execute activities efficiently. Participation in RCC initiatives fosters leadership, discipline,



Asst. Prof. Jeevan Vichare, NSS Thane District Coordinator, along with senior university officials, interacts with NSS nodal officers during the online RCC Sensitisation Training conducted by SST College.

The program was organized under the guidance of Asst. Prof. Jeevan Vichare, Vice Principal & NSS Thane District Coordinator, and senior officials from the University, who addressed participants on a wide range of topics including disaster management, first-aid awareness, health and hygiene campaigns, blood donation drives, and youth engagement initiatives.

The interactive session included live demonstrations, scenario-based discussions, and Q&A rounds, allowing officers to clarify doubts and learn best practices for executing RCC-related activities effectively. The training also highlighted the importance of documenting activities, reporting outcomes, and maintaining coordination with local authorities to ensure impactful community engagement.

Asst. Prof. Jeevan Vichare said, "RCC sensitisation equips NSS officers with the tools and knowledge necessary to carry out meaningful community programs. It is essential for officers to under-

and civic responsibility among students."

Participants expressed their appreciation for the session, noting that it not only provided theoretical knowledge but also practical strategies for field implementation. Many officers highlighted the value of learning from senior officials' experiences and expressed confidence in applying the guidance in their respective colleges.

The online format allowed wider district-level participation, ensuring that even officers from remote colleges could benefit from the program. The training concluded with a call for all NSS officers to actively promote RCC programs, organize community-oriented activities, and create a lasting impact through social service initiatives.

The session reinforced SST College's commitment to capacity building, experiential learning, and leadership development among NSS officers, strengthening the overall network of youth leaders dedicated to social welfare and national service.