

## ANNUAL REPORT

Janseva Samiti takes pride in presenting its 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Report for the year 2021-2022.

Janseva Samiti Sanchalit Shri M.D. Shah Mahila College of Arts and Commerce continues its prime objective of “Service to Society” by offering value based education to numerous girl students. Affiliated to SNDT Women’s University, it provides educational programmes and courses as follows:

- Degree courses in Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Management Studies, Bachelor in Computer Application, Bachelor in Mass Media, Bachelor in B(AFI), BAF
- Post-graduate courses in Economics, Hindi, History, Marketing and Commerce
- Career oriented programmes in Fashion Designing, Interior Designing, Entrepreneurship and Travel & Tourism
- M.I. Patel Institute Diploma courses in Fashion Designing, Interior Designing, Journalism, Home Science, Computer, Textile Designing, Beauty culture, Hair Designing and Arts & craft
- JSS Skill Academy certificate courses in GST, Tally, Retail Management, Calligraphy, Beauty Culture and many more
- Short-term courses in Personality Development, Soft toy making, Beauty culture, Painting, Candle making, English speaking, Calligraphy, Flower making & yoga
- Computer course for all (100 hours)
- Value added courses offered by academic departments
- Enrichment courses in Communication skills, Yoga & meditation, Life-skills and Self-Defence
- Bridge courses in Mathematics and Statistics
- Other courses like MS-CIT, Certificate in Retail Management and Tally

### ON THE ACADEMIC SCENE....

Opportunities to pursue excellence and make a mark on the academic, cultural and community level have always been the prime focus of the institute and the following are some of the efforts made by the institute-

The entire world being caught in the grips of Corona virus and the subsequent pandemic put a hold on all social and cultural activities. The need to shift into online mode was taken up everywhere and Shri M D Shah Mahila College of Arts and Commerce was quick to slip into the technological fold.

Department of Commerce, Shri M.D. Shah Mahila College of Arts & Commerce along with Maharshi Dayanand College, Parel, collaborated with Saturday Global Trust and organised an online workshop on “Dream Big... How to become successful Entrepreneur”. An online National Level Webinar was conducted on “India’s relation with its neighbouring Countries” by the Department of History. Department of Economics in collaboration with Maharshi Dayanand College of Commerce organised inter-collegiate workshop on “Women Entrepreneurship and promotion of Gender Equality.”

The department of Psychology organised 29<sup>th</sup> BPA Annual Conference on “Digitalization & Human Element: A Futuristic Adaptation in Psychology” on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022. The department of English organised an online Inter-collegiate paper-presentation competition on “Partition Literature” as part of Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav celebration. Under-graduate as well as Post-graduate departments of Hindi, under Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav and on the occasion of International Women’s Day organised a National-level Seminar on “Hindi Kavita Mein vyakta swantrata andolan aur Mahila Rachanakar” on 08<sup>th</sup> March 2022.



## STUDENT SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

A philanthropic stride ahead was taken in the bleak scenario developed due to Covid pandemic by launching a series of guidance lectures and webinars under the title Mission Hope. Experts from medical, academics, social and psychological field were invited to dispel ignorance and fear emerging from the virus and its impact. Structured steps were taken to support students and their families through distribution of food grains, waiver of 25% in fees as well as Yoga and Pranayam sessions.

Regular and thought provoking activities were held - The NSS unit of Shri M.D. Shah Mahila College of Arts & Commerce organised an expert lecture on "Relevance of Gandhian Principles in Present Scenario and Skill Development" on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. Departments of History, Hindi, BCA and BMM too organised several literary as well as cultural events on this occasion. Further NSS Unit organized a Lecture on Life with Covid 19 under Fit India Freedom Run Initiative of Sports department of Government of India, arranged for Training in two-wheeler safe riding and a Webinar on Impact of Tobacco on Covid 19 and Spit Free India. Lectures were organised for students on Stress Management, Immunity and Balanced Diet, Mental wellness and Self Care and a detailed Demo on Yoga and Self Defence Techniques.

The NSS Unit, the NCC wing, along with the Arogyam Cell of our college organised a free COVID19 vaccination drive for the students and the neighbouring community in collaboration with MCGM-P North Ward. Continuing its work of enlightening people NSS Unit in collaboration with the "Global Green Resonance Foundation" organised a webinar on "Plastic Waste Management", Tree Plantation drive, celebrated Vijay Kargil Diwas, Independence Day celebration with Fit India Campaign.

This year Maharashtra Day celebration was organized by the Department of Hindi. On the occasion of World Human Rights Day, talks were held on "Rights of Minorities" and "Introduction to FEMA 1999" and a workshop on Women's Self-Defence was organised in collaboration with Malad Police Station. The department of Commerce held two batches of "Smart Girls" Training Course.

Various Support committees were adept to the needs of the students in these trying times due to Covid pandemic and conducted a Webinar on Empowering Learners with Self Directed Learning Skills (Educational Excellence and Leadership Cell), Learning Skills Online program (Students' Council), Virtual Intercollegiate Sports Competition (Sports Department), Celebration of World Earth Day (Students' Council), Lecture series on Gender Equality (WDC from 8 to 13 March, 2021) and Talk on Impact of Covid 19 on Educational System (Aarogyam Health Centre).

Our Sports student Ms. Rutuja Devaki won bronze medal in the inter-university boxing competition held in Jalandhar. Our student Ms. Priyanka Sinha, topper in the subject of Sociology in BA Final examination was awarded a Gold Medal in graduation ceremony at SNTD Women's University.

To keep abreast with the challenging times when the entire world needed to go online, the college arranged for a Faculty Development Programme on Practical Aspects of using G-Suite for online lectures and LMS. A Webinar on Women atrocities and remedy was timely arranged by ICC.

## ACTIVITIES BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF...

The Administrative and Support staff of the college worked with agility to maintain the administrative procedures of the college. The team also organized online "Tarang" the annual intercollegiate programme for non-teaching staff of colleges in Mumbai in the month of December.



#### **FOURTH CYCLE REACCREDITATION...**

The IQAC members geared towards preparation for NAAC fourth cycle and Peer Team Visit which was scheduled in February 2021. The efforts of the Management, Principal, Teaching and Non-teaching staff as well as students and student leaders proved successful with NAAC awarding the college 'A' grade with institutional score of GPA 3.04.

#### **FARE THEE WELL**

Associate Professors Dr. Mahendra Guha and Dr. Sarat Chandra Patra from the teaching faculty and Mr. Stanley D'souza from Administrative section achieved superannuation in the year and the staff and Management wish them success in their future endeavours.

#### **OBITUARY**

In the Covid scenario we lost some close members of the staff to the disease and its resultant effects. We will miss Smt. Rajani Mhatre, Mr. Sudam Salvi, Mr. Rajesh Solanki, Mr. Jitendra Jadhav and Mr. Vijay Kadam. Their commitment and dedication to the college will be remembered forever.

#### **MOTI PUSTAKALAYA**

Moti Pustakalaya, the public library run by Janseva Samiti continues to serve its patrons. The library resources provide an opportunity to its members to quench its thirst of seeking knowledge. The library houses several books in Gujarati, Hindi, Marathi and English for use of its members.

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