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THE INSTITUTIONAL SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



COVID-19



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6TH ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021



GHOTEKHAR ASHRAMSHALA COVID CARE CENTRE



PANVEL COVID HOSPITAL



Education is like the Morning Sun.

As the Sun rises and brightens up the entire stratosphere, so does right education, which brightens up thoughts, deeds, vision and makes life more prosperous and purposeful. SIES, which has been at the forefront in the field of education for 89 years, presently imparting quality education through 19 institutions, has adopted the creative Morning Sun as its icon and pledges its resolve to take the Nation further up, with its motto,

'RISE WITH EDUCATION'.

The South Indian Education Society. A symbol of quality and excellence in education since 1932, that has as its bedrock, a distinct and enduring combination of social values and moral beliefs. A bedrock that in turn, forms the foundation of a spectrum of institutions - each one adapting those values to further their delivery of excellence.

A Mission with a Vision



Our Institutional mission was set by our founder Shri M. V. Venkateshwaran in 1932.

This Society should sincerely serve the cause of education needs of the common man of this cosmopolitan city.

So in Spirit of sincerity we,

Stress on high standards of academic professional and social performance.

Respond in a creative manner to a continuously changing cosmopolitan society

Support cultural and ethnic diversity in the community

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President's Message



I have pleasure in presenting the 6th SIES Institutional Social Responsibility report for the year ended 31st March 2021. Time has indeed flown. What started on a modest scale to take the learning process beyond the classroom and be of service to the society at large has gained primacy in our activities and is today an active and visible part of our education process. The year that has gone by has been the most difficult one experienced by humankind in living memory. COVID-19 pandemic has led to dramatic loss of human life worldwide and present an unprecedented challenge to public

health, food system and the world of work. The economic and social disruption has drifted many to extreme poverty. Millions of enterprises faced an existential threat. Nearly half of the world's 3.30 billion workforce have seen loss of livelihood to varying degrees. What better time than now to outpour our compassion, care and concern to the affected. ISR gains new currency during these difficult times.

At SIES, our purpose is to make an impact that matters for our stakeholders, community and the society at large. COVID-19 provides a great opportunity for institutions to engage in genuine and direct ISR and contribute to address urgent social and environmental challenges. We have maintained, despite the difficulties, our support to all assisted projects and helped maintain their activities at an optimum levels.

What we know is that the world has changed. Like other global events with planet wide impact, COVID-19 has potentially changed how we see the world, the ways in which we think and how we conduct our lives. Notwithstanding the human tragedy of lost lives, broken families and scarred communities, the economic and social changes caused by the pandemic driven lockdown constitutes a cultural legacy which will live long in our memories and those of future generations. The bond established between an institution and its stakeholders during a crisis era

can be more meaningful and lasting than during “peaceful times”. If we were to be alert to the needs of the neighbourhood society, students would feel proud that their alma-mater went beyond its activities and lend a helping hand to those distressed by the pandemic. Several businesses and institutions have been pushed out of business and if not, to the brink of collapse. Fortunately, we have till now survived this horrid time financially as our students reposed their faith in us and stretched themselves to pay the fees. The Society too responded to the difficulties of the students in paying the fees. We introduced various methods to ensure that no student in higher learning ended up losing out on education, due to their inability to pay fees. While fee payment in installments, part waiver of fees was introduced, we also reached out to our alumni to raise funds for our students. In the SIES (Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Memorial) High School whose student population hail from a lower middle class section, we substantially reduced the fees in the Pre-Primary section. The Alumni of the SIES High School and the SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce (Autonomous) pitched in and raised Rs. 23,97,271/- to pay in part the fees of the students in difficulty. We put SIES SEAT to full use as we gave away Rs. 49,38,992/- to 411 deserving students as fees rebate. We kept the pay disbursement unhindered month after month to ensure that our teachers and staff have regular cash inflow to meet their growing expenditure during lockdowns. While we reduced the fees in some and no increase in all cases, we gave our annual increment this year of average 7% to all our employees to acknowledge the good work done by the teachers in adapting to online education.

The significant highlights of our ISR activities during the year were :

- In the million masks project, we made 5,00,000 masks and distributed to the public authorities to reach them to the poor.
- We gave 105 beds to the COVID Care Centre at Panvel, Navi Mumbai.
- The Society applied to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs for registration to undertake the CSR activities pursuant to Section 135 of the Companies Act 2013 and Rule 4 (1) and (2) of the Companies’ Act (CSR Policy Rules 2014). The Society received the registration on 16th April 2021.
- The Society adopted the Zilla Parishad School at Kalgaon, Taluka Shapur, District Thane and awarded the contract for renovation of the School at a cost of Rs. 24,02,034/-.
- In reaching out to the armed forces and more particularly to Martyrs families, the Society introduced preferential admission scheme for the children of armed forces in SIES College of Management Studies and SIES Graduate School of Technology. The scheme requires the student to pay only 10% of the total fees and the balance would be funded by the Society. The collaboration is initially for a period of five years extendable by mutual consent.
- A Core Committee for ISR was set up with Dr. Harsha K. Mehta, Hon. Director as Convenor with one nominee each from every institution of the Society. The Core Committee would ensure permanency to our activities.
- The Society supported 10 colleges in Raigad district affected by the Nisarga cyclone that came in June 2020.
- Dr. Aparna Hegde (1987 batch student) of the SIES (Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Memorial)

High School (then North Mumbai Welfare Society's High School) featured in Fortune 50 of the World's Greatest Leaders for the year. She was placed 15th in the Fortune 50 list. She is the founder of the non-profit "Armaan" leveraging mHealth to create cost effective, scalable, gender sensitive, non linear systemic solutions to improve access of pregnant women to preventive information and services by adopting "tech plus touch" approach.

How are people expected to conduct themselves in critical times? Are we as a society expected to be more responsible? Even when things are normal, we take special delight in flouting norms or the rules without bothering about our communities and adopting "Me First" approach. The Government is doing what it can but when it is such a grave situation, all of us must come together and realise our social responsibility. All it requires is to feel for and connect with the deprived, marginalised and poor. SIES – ISR does this even during normal times.

COVID pandemic has resulted in atleast one positive thing : a much greater appreciation for the importance of schools. As parents struggle to work with their children at home during the closure of the school, public recognition of the essential care taking role academic institutions play in society has sky rocketed. As young people struggle to learn from home, parents gratitude for teachers, their skills and their invaluable role in students well being has risen. It is hard to imagine that there will be another moment in history when the central role of education in the economic, social and political prosperity and stability of nations is so obvious and well understood by the general population. Now is the time to start a vision for how education can emerge stronger from this global crisis than ever before and propose a path

for capitalising on education's new found support in virtually every community across the globe. It is here that we can create powered schools that power students learning and development involving all stakeholders.

The pandemic has galvanized new actors in the community – from parents to businesses to social welfare organisations to support children's learning. Let us harness all the resources of our stakeholders for larger societal good.

No single section of the Society can enable transformational changes of epic proportion. A confluence of efforts is required from all sections. Through our varied activities in ISR, we have demonstrated that educational institutions can play an immensely constructive role in harmonising the existence of all beings. Our strength lies in our large student force and the expanding teaching community. They provide numerous touch points in society, providing a synergy of several resources to deliver impactful solution. In the deluge of problems that face our country, ours is a small but significant step to ignite minds and light the lives of the less cared. More than that, SIES-ISR is a great step forward to integrate classroom learning with life learning processes. Our students are the biggest beneficiaries of ISR. As they learn the realities of life that no classroom education provides, they become evolved citizens who are willing to live for others. Let us celebrate the coming together of all our stakeholders for the good of the poor.

With regards,
Yours sincerely,

Dr. V. Shankar
President
Dated:



Institutional Social Responsibility (SIES – ISR)



The three E's of our responsibility is Education, Environment and Equity.

OUR ISR ACTIVITIES		
1.	Equity and access to education for all (SIES Educational Assistance Trust)	SIES SEAT (in all institutions) Ghatkopar South Indian Education Trust
2.	Village Adoption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kawathewadi (SAMVEDANA) • Khairpada • Ghoteghar, Shapur Taluka, Dist. Thane • Kalgaon, Shapur Taluka, Dist. Thane
3.	Skill Enhancement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BEACON (SIES Graduate School of Technology) • SIES Institute of Chromatography & Spectroscopy
4.	Environment	Focus this year was <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change adaptation of onion crop • Bio-monitoring and indexing of 56 rivers in Maharashtra. • Development of Mass culture of AM Fungi. The project supports propagation of phosphorous mobilising bio-fertilisers for sustainable agriculture.
6.	Care of the Elderly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIES Seniors Home • Aadhata Community Centre
7.	Culture	SIES Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswati Veda Vidya Pitha



OUR ISR ACTIVITIES

8.	Differently abled	Prajnya Vision
9.	Armed Forces	Preferential admission scheme in select institutions with 90% fees waiver
10.	NSS / NCC & ISR activities of all colleges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce ● SIES College of Commerce & Economics ● SIES (Nerul) College of Arts, Science & Commerce ● SIES Graduate School of Technology
11.	‘Sahayog’ activities of SIES College of Management Studies	
12.	Chords to Conquer	Hymn Humanity – Charity Music Band
13.	Awards and recognition for promoting excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SIES Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswati National Eminence Award ● Prof. P. S. Ramaswamy Best Teacher Award ● SIES SOP Star Award

ISR has the prime place in SIES activities and is the visible face of the Society.



STRATEGY

- Every SIES institution shall have an ISR Department
- ISR shall not be limited to education but shall cover the full facet of life.
- Partner corporates to expand societal benefits where most lacking.
- Partners in progress – Tribals and Adivasis, Maharashtra

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

- Kawathewadi, Taluka Karjat – Varali Tribe, Village – total transformation.
- Khairpada, Shahpur Taluka, Dist. Thane – ‘Smart School’
- Adivasi Seva Mandal – Ashram Shala, Gothegar, Shahpur Taluka campus development. Residential school for 450 Adivasi girl children and day school additionally for 400 Adivasi Boys
- Kalgaon, Shapur Taluka, Dist. Thane – ‘Zilla Parishad School’
- Beacon – Skill India
- Samvedana – Action at the onset of distress
- NGO Internship – learning process beyond the classrooms.

MISSION 2025 MAJOR INITIATIVES

- 12 smart schools in Tribal areas, Khairpada model for each SIES institution to adopt.
- ‘Hymn Humanity’ – SIES Charity band. Music for a cause.
- Reading Hall in each institution with library access for students living in ‘small houses’.
- SIES School of Pharmacy
- SIES School of Nursing
- SIES School of Physiotherapy
- Healthcare Management Education
- Army Connect

A Journey Into Life Education Continues....



SEAT was inaugurated on the occasion of the Platinum Jubilee of the Society on 15th August 2008 by Bharat Ratna Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam to provide financial assistance for education of under privileged sections of the society. The cost of higher education has skyrocketed in recent times, virtually shutting doors to lower middle class and the poor. Students enrolled in the Society’s institutions, unable to pay the fees, are encouraged to pursue their studies with financial support from SEAT covering the whole or part of their fees as per the appraisal of their financial position. SEAT singularly has been one of the major initiatives to widen the access for education. In addition to SEAT, the Society receives annual grants from Essar Endowment, Nihchal Israni Foundation Scholarship and Seth Bhojraj Hassomal Charitable Trust scholarship.

One of the limitation of SIES-SEAT and other scholarships is that the grants are restricted only to SIES students. With a view to expand the sweep of its influence and cover more students all across the city outside the SIES family, the Society donated a sum of Rs. 10.0 crores to Ghatkopar South Indian Educational Trust (GSIET). It also gave annual grants to GSIET for three years, the total donation being

YEAR	AMOUNT (Rs.)
2015-16	10,00,00,000
2016-17	50,25,000
2017-18	50,00,000
2018-19	50,10,000

SR. NO.	INSTITUTION	UPTO 2020		2020-2021		TOTAL	
		NO.	AMOUNT	NO	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT
1	SIES High School	783	29,35,856	70	2,78,480	853	32,14,336
2	SIES Dr. APJ School	133	2,91,828	131	3,60,512	264	6,52,340
3	SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce	327	50,27,694	78	16,83,000	405	67,10,694
4	SIES College of Commerce & Economics	355	60,68,354	67	12,35,500	422	73,03,854
5	SIES (Nerul) College of Arts, Science & Commerce	212	38,94,571	63	13,61,500	275	52,56,071
6	SIES Graduate School of Technology	122	34,60,405	-	-	122	34,60,405
7	SIES Institute of Comprehensive Education	6	60,000	2	20,000	8	80,000
8	SIES School of Packaging	4	1,00,000	-	-	4	1,00,000
	TOTAL	1,942	2,18,32,708	411	49,38,992	2,353	2,67,71,700

2353 students were given fee assistance of Rs. 2,67,71,700/-. In addition, students not covered by SIES-SEAT have been beneficiaries under Essar Endowment, Nihchal Israni Foundation and Seth Bhojraj Hassomal Charitable Trust Scholarship. Many other students also benefitted from the interest earned on endowments set up to provide merit and need based scholarship.

Over the last six years, the Society spend Rs. 14.18 crores in reaching out to the poor, deserving and meritorious to ensure no disruptions to their academic pursuits. Singularly this is the most significant ISR initiative in education itself, of which we all can be legitimately proud of.

Kawathewadi



Kawathewadi is about 85 kms from Mumbai. Spread over 2.5 acres of land, it has a population of about 550 and 89 households. The villagers are Adivasis, hailing from the Pardhi community, a traditional nomadic tribe. The public perception is that they are criminals and hence stigmatized. This aggravates their backwardness and economic hardships.

THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT INVOLVED

1. Redevelopment of the Primary School (Std. I to V) run by the Zilla Parishad
2. Repairs and restoration of 60 huts as Pucca houses.
3. Toilet facilities in the village
4. Mangal Karyalaya (Community Centre)

The total amount spent in this project till 31.3.2021 was Rs. 1,71,30,305/-

Activities conducted in Kawathewadi since adoption

1. **Soak Pits** – The villagers were involved in Shramadan for construction of soak pits in four different places and also for construction and repairing work for rain water harvesting systems.
2. **Clean up drives** – Volunteer teams were created amongst villagers for clean up drives in and around villages.
3. **Health campaign** – Health campaign focusing on dental care, dietary habits, nutritional and balanced food, hygiene, clean water were held regularly to help improve the overall health of the villagers. Cancer awareness and screening camps were organised with the support of TATA Memorial Hospital.
4. **Teaching** – The NSS team of SIES College of Arts, Science and Commerce taught basics in English, Maths and Science to the students of the village school.
5. **Beautification** – The walls of the school were painted with wall posters and pictures by the village volunteers alongwith NSS students.

6. Lifelong Learning Extension (LLE) – The students of LLE and NSS team conducted games and learning sessions for the children of the village. Financial literacy, workshop on self defence, paper craft workshop, candle making, workshop on memory enhancement, gender equality and justice, team building were conducted for the villagers.
7. Story books, notebooks, school dress and bags were distributed to the students of the village.
8. Open defecation free village rally and tree plantation programmes enthused the villagers to care for the environment. Sanitary napkins were distributed to the households in the village.
9. Villagers were taught how to make soap.
10. A session on star gazing with telescopes mounted outside the Community Hall received enthusiastic support. For the first time villagers got an opportunity to view the famous star clusters and nebulas.
11. Villagers were helped to repair the cattle shed, grass cutting, weeding in and around the village and compost pit renewal.
12. The use of internet, digitisation and computer

literacy took the wonder out of the machine and villagers learnt how to use it.

13. All villagers were assisted in getting Aadhaar cards.
14. The Psychology Department conducted workshops on anger management, de-addiction and clean habits.
15. A borewell was constructed for augmenting water supply in addition to rain water harvesting.
16. Larsen & Toubro's erection of street lights in the village infused new life into a dingy, decrepit village. Temple, village school, mangal karyalay and toilets were lit by LED lights.





Before



After

Activities during the year

- Distributed blankets to more than 40+ tribal people of Kawthewadi. These blankets were sponsored by Rotary Club of Bombay Pier.
- Donated 2 computers along with accessories to the Kawthewadi school.
- Gave the people of Kawthewadi T-shirts. They were distributed to more than 50 people.
- Under the Event Khel Utsav 5.0 many activities were conducted for the students of Kawthewadi school.
- Winners of Khel Utsav were given Certificates.
- Under the event Talent Dikhlaja, students of the school were provided an opportunity to showcase their talent. There were solo dances, group dances, mimicry and many more. All participants were given a stationary pouch which included pencil, pen, eraser, sharpener and ruler. All participants of Talent Dikhlaja were given Certificates for their performances.

Connecting Dreams Foundation- SIES

Project Name: Project HOPE (started on 5th September 2020)

- 20 students from the CDF-SIES chapter started with an initiative called- "Project HOPE" through which they are working together to provide Quality Education to the kids in Kawthewadi

during this unprecedented Pandemic situation.

- The kids were from Raigad Jilha Parishad Prathamik Shala, studying in class 1st-5th.
- Regular videos related to their curriculum and extra value adding videos are sent on weekends via their teacher on WhatsApp
- 55 videos from YouTube and 2 Self-made videos were sent to the students.
- A self-made video on the Covid-19 virus and the precautions to take was also made by the students of CDF-SIES
- The impact is assessed via Google forms which are made available to them in their regional language-Marathi
- The team also looks forward to creating employment opportunities for the villagers and help them lead a sustainable living
- It is a collaborative approach by the CDF-SIES students to promote Quality Education because they believe - *"Quality Education is a Right and NOT a Privilege!"*

Zilla Parishad School, Khairpada



Before

Khairpada village was established in 1994 in the remote Shapur taluka in Thane district on the banks of river Bhatsa. It is an extreme poverty, deprived area inhabited by several tribes. A dilapidated school upto 4th Std. run by the Zilla Parishad was serving the educational needs of the village.

Our Society identified this village for school development and converted into a modern, digital school. The school was renovated at a cost of Rs. 38,30,593/-. The inhabitants in the village are



Before

Mahadeo Thakur, Warali and Aghari tribe. Thakari (Adivasi language) is the spoken language. Children of these tribes were not encouraged by the tribes to go to school. The much needed upgradation of the school motivated the tribals to send their children to the school thus giving a flip to school activities. In a very short time, there was a remarkable transformation.

- The school secured the green school award in 2017.
- Excellent Thane School honour certificate in 2018.



After

- 570 teachers and 62 educational teams from all over Maharashtra visited the Digital School.
- Further educational progress of the students is testimony to the quality of education imparted.

YEAR	STUDENTS	FURTHER EDUCATION	NO.
2015	21	B.A.	04
2016	28	B.Com	02
2017	36	Agriculture Diploma	02
2018	40	Engineering	03
2019	42	ITI	06
2020	45	Police Training	02

Ghoteghar Ashramshala of Adivasi Seva Mandal



The ISR activities of the Society reached its high point with the adoption of Adivasi Seva Mandal's Ghoteghar Ashram Shala.

Adivasi Seva Mandal is registered under the Societies' Registration Act, 1860 with the main objective to achieve the economic, social, educational and general uplift of the Varlis, Thakurs, Konkanas, Dharkarlis, Dublas, Mahadeo-kolis, Malhar – Kolis, Kotkaries and generally of all people aboriginal and hill tribes in Thane and Kulaba districts. In pursuance of this objective, it has established Ashram schools at various locations for Adivasi children. Ghoteghar Ashramshala in Shapur taluk, Thane district has over 450 girls staying and studying and has about 1000 Adivasi children studying in the Shala. Spread on a sprawling estate of 107960 sqmtrs (26.7 acres), with the western edge flanked by Bhatsa river, the Ashramshala is nestled between green agricultural fields and Bhatsa. The school infrastructure was nothing worth mention.

The Society entered into an MOU with Adivasi



Seva Mandal on 30th December 2017 to adopt the Ashramshala which was in a state of dilapidation.

The entire renovation was done at a cost of Rs. 4,50,69,676/-. The Society added two new hostels one each for Boys and Girls, a new expansive dining hall to accommodate about 300 students at a time and computer learning centre. Since the facility was created in the 150th year of the Father of the Nation, a life size statue of Mahatma Gandhi in a separate enclosure was dedicated. At a glittering function on



13th October 2018, the Governor of Maharashtra, Shri. C. Vidyasagar Rao in the presence of Shri. Kapil Patil, the MP of the area inaugurated the facilities. The following activities were carried out at the Ashram Kanya Shala during the year 2020-21.

1. In view of the COVID-19 intensity, the Ashram Kanyas were sent back to their homes during the year. The School also did not function due to lockdown restrictions. The entire school was converted into a 160 bedded COVID Hospital to address the increasing needs of covid positive cases in the area and the neighbourhood.
2. A blood donation camp was organised in the school on 14th December 2020.
3. The results at the SSC examination brought out the massive improvement in the overall performance of the students and the transformation that our efforts have yielded.

	NO. SENT UP			NO. PASSED		
	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Ashram Students	15	18	33	14	18	32
Regular Day Students	3	1	4	3	1	4

The pass percentage was 97.29%. Only one student failed.

Kalgaon Zilla Parishad School



Kalgaon village is in Dahivali, Shapur Taluka, District Thane. It is 22 kms from Shapur Town. The population of the village is 1051. The village has a Zilla Parishad School with classes from 1st to 7th Std. The School has 113 students (46 boys and 67 girls) and is managed by 5 teachers. The Secondary School is 3 kms away from Kalgaon.

The School is in a highly dilapidated condition. While the villagers are keenly interested in sending their children to the School, the absence of any worthwhile facility deters the children. Our Society identified this school for upgradation like Khairpada. Renovation is being carried out at a cost of Rs. 24,02,034/-. 20 slim computers have been donated for this school. The renovation will be completed by 2021 year end.



A Million Masks



A Clarion call was given to produce washable cotton cloth face masks which was the need of the hour as the whole world was engulfed in the Covid-19 pandemic. The face mask is the first line of defence for human beings to protect against the corona virus.

The SIES commenced the project “Million Masks” in April 2020. The aim was to produce the face masks under the SIES-ISR and BEACON, the ISR activity of the SIES Graduate School of Technology. Under Beacon which is the skill development cell, women and girls from the underprivileged strata of the society in and around Navi Mumbai had undergone the tailoring and stitching course.

In the making of the masks which began in April 2020 the girls and women who had undergone the tailoring course were roped in to stitch the masks as per the guidelines of WHO (World Health Organization). They were provided with the raw material required for the masks to be stitched. While collecting the finished product they were paid the labor charges for the number of masks

stitched by them which ensured that they had some earnings during the pandemic lockdown for their livelihood.

By December 2020, Five lakh masks were produced and distributed to the poor and needy with the help of various NGO (Non Government Organization). The cost per mask which was borne by the SIES was Rs. 4.80.





The list of NGO'S and various organizations to which the masks were donated is given below.

1. Navi Mumbai Mahanagar Palika
2. Lions Hospital –Koperkhairane
3. Lions Tarachand Bapa Hospital –Sion
4. Tata Hospital –Parel, Mumbai
5. Lokmanya Tilak Memorial Hospital - Sion
6. Cama Albless Hospital- Fort
7. Sir J.J.Hospital –Byculla
8. Traffic Police –Mumbai
(Matunga,Sion,Chembur)
9. Police Stations –Sion,Matunga,Karjat
10. Karandi Kudal Grampanchayat-Satara
11. Adale khurd Grampanchayat-Talegaon
12. Grampanchayat –Karjat
13. Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh –Social Service cell (distribution of masks in Navi Mumbai Slums)
14. Indian Devolpment Foundation-Mumbai
15. Shree Lohana Samaj –Navi Mumbai
16. Samarpit Bahudeshi sevabhavi sanstha- Latur
17. BMC F/North Ward- Matunga
18. Lions Club –Shivaji Park
19. Rotary Club- Mandvi, Mumbai
20. Auto Rickshaw Drivers – Chembur



Covid Beds in Panvel



With the onset of COVID Pandemic in March 2020, almost all major cities in India were in dire need of increasing bed capacities of existing hospitals and dedicated new COVID Centres. The Society recognised this need immediately and through its Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR) initiative decided to contribute towards setting up of these beds in the Navi Mumbai Region.

The SIES School of Packaging – Packaging Technology Centre (SIES SOP), was entrusted with this responsibility. SIES SOP could immediately identify a supplier of Beds who could produce multiple beds in a short time to satisfy this immediate need.

Lightweight, but Robust CFB Beds

The supplier was Aryan Packaging Industries (Vapi, Gujarat) who had designed and developed an impressive Bed made from Corrugated Fibre Board (CFB) which is a material frequently used in packaging industry. These emergency hospital beds are made from corrugated boards using high strength paper and can support a weight of over 200 kg.



Assembled Beds

They are eco-friendly, light weight, easy to move, assemble and easy to dispose. Transportation, too, is economical as the components of these beds can be flat stacked easily in trucks. They can be assembled without any nails, glues or stitching at the site.



Beds assembled and set up at NMMC COVID Care Centre, Panvel, Navi Mumbai

The SIES team procured 105 such CFB Beds and donated them to the NMMC COVID Care Centre at Panvel, Navi Mumbai in April-May 2020. In addition, SIES donated 105 sets of mattresses, bedsheets, pillows and blankets required for the beds. Further, the SIES team physically helped

in assembling these beds at the hospital. Whole-hearted support to the health care workers and the healthcare system is paramount in these uncertain and testing times to overcome the pandemic. The project COVID - BEDS was timely and was received with gratitude by the Disaster Management team in Panvel.

NISARGA Cyclone Relief



Severe cyclonic storm Nisarga is the strongest tropical cyclone to strike Maharashtra in June 2020. As of the travails of the Corona pandemic were not enough, Nisarga made a landfall near Alibaug on 3rd June 2020 bringing untold devastation to life and property. The wind velocity was strong enough to destroy several roofs of institutions.

Several colleges affiliated to Mumbai University reported severe damage to their property and the destruction was too severe to restore normalcy quickly. The colleges appealed to other affiliated institutions to support them financially to recover. While funds poured in, the appeal to our Society was to give projection systems comprising of LCD and projection screen to 10 colleges in the Raigad district. The Society spent Rs. 3,38,280/- and provided the systems to 10 colleges, details as under :

1. Anjuman Islam Janjira Degree College of Commerce, Shrivardhan
2. D. G. Tatkare College of Arts & Commerce, Tala
3. Dapoli Urban Bank Senior Science College, Dapoli, Ratnagiri
4. Gokhale Education Society's College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Shrivardhan



5. J. B. Sawant Education Society's Tikambai Mehta Commerce College
6. Loknete Gopinathji Munde College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Mandangad
7. Mangaon Taluka Education Society's D. G. Tatkare College of Arts & Commerce, Mangaon
8. MTES Doshi Vakil College of Arts and GCUB College of Science & Commerce, Goregaon, Raigad Dist.
9. N. K. Varadkar College of Arts & R. V. Belose College of Commerce, Dapoli
10. Sundarrao More College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Poladpur.

At a simple function in the Nerul campus on 8th August 2020, the Projection Systems were handed over to the Principals of the colleges.

The Army Connect



Proposal

To encourage and assist children of armed forces serving or retired and children of widows of armed personnel to pursue higher education in engineering and management in SIES Institutions.

Collaborating Partner

General Officer Commanding (Maharashtra, Gujarat and Goa)

Courses covered

- a. **SIES Graduate School of Technology (4 year degree programme after Plus 2)**
 - Bachelor of Computer Engineering
 - Bachelor of Information Technology
 - Bachelor of Electronics and Information Technology
 - Bachelor of Electronics and Telecommunication
 - Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering

Courses under approval process

- AI and Machine Learning
 - Computer Science Engineering (Data Science)
 - Computer Science Engineering (IOT and Cyber including Block chains)
- b. **SIES College of Management Studies (2 years after graduation)**
 - Master of Management Studies (MMS)
 - Master of Computer Application (MCA)

All these courses are approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and affiliated to the University of Mumbai
 - c. **SIES Institute of Business Studies**
 - Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management
 - Post Graduate Diploma in Pharmaceutical Management (PGDPM)

These courses are approved by AICTE and are of two years duration after graduation.

d. **SIES AIMA Programmes (All India Management Association)**

- These are weekend programmes conducted by AIMA, approved by AICTE and are of two years duration.

Admission Quota

A maximum of one child of the armed personnel, serving, retired or martyred from the command area of Maharashtra, Gujarat and Goa would be admitted, subject to qualifying conditions, to anyone of the above programmes under the “Management Quota” of the institutions. If management quota is withdrawn by AICTE or any other authority, then this scheme will come to an end.

Eligibility of children of war widows and the army personnel

- The widow should be a resident of Maharashtra or Gujarat or Goa.
- The student to be admitted should be the direct blood relation born to the widow and the army personnel.
- Only one child per family will be admitted to any of the courses under this scheme.
- No hostel facilities are available. The student will have to make his / her own accommodation arrangements in Mumbai / Navi Mumbai while pursuing these courses.

Fees Payable

- The students selected under this scheme shall pay 10% of the prescribed fees for the course of study. Examination fees and student registration charges payable to the University or Department of Technical Education of the Government of Maharashtra shall be paid by the students over and above the 10% of the prescribed fees.
- Fees once paid shall be refunded only as per the rules framed by AICTE.
- The concessional fees shall be withdrawn if the student fails in the semester examinations and will be restored after he/she successfully completes the semester.
- The fees is payable in one lumpsum at the time of admission.

Duration of the Collaboration

This understanding with GoC (Maharashtra, Gujarat and Goa) shall be initially for a period of five years from the academic year 2021-22, extendable by mutual consent and subject to review of the academic performance of the admitted students. It can however be terminated by the GoC “At Will” so however that a student once admitted will not be withdrawn till the end of the academic year.



Connecting Dreams Foundation

Connecting Dreams Foundation (CDF) is a non-profit organisation that provides the youth with an opportunity to bring about a sustainable and scalable change for a working along the lines of 17 sustainable development goals as defined by the United Nations. Through its change maker network CDF uses entrepreneurial action to empower people to improve their livelihoods in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable way thus converting their dreams into reality. SIES joined CDF in September 2020 in their connect and change programme. It is a four month programme which involves a three C process i.e. Collect, Create and Change. Dr. George Abraham, Head of the Department of Chemistry of SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sion (W) mentored the students. 20 dedicated team makers from SY and TY B.Sc. with 5 core team members joined the CDF. The core members were all from TY B.Sc.

1. Sakshi Poojari
2. Yash Salastekar
3. Vidya Kamath
4. Shrawani Karkhande
5. Shreya Thorat

Sakshi Poojari was awarded “Dream Change Leader” by CDF – India in their prestigious Dreams Award 2020. The college started “Project Hope” from 5th September 2020 taking into account the fourth SDG – Quality Education. It was started in the adopted village of Kawathewadi. A curriculum was prepared and online study material was sent through the Headmaster to the students. The curriculum includes basic English and Marathi videos, soft skills to improve their overall personality. Similar projects are planned in other adopted schools mainly Zilla Parishad Schools.



BEACON – SIES Graduate School Of Technology



The SIES Graduate School of Technology as part of its ISR has set up project BEACON which provides vocational training to the under privileged sections of the society. The target groups are orphans, street children, school dropouts, housewives from poor families in the age group of 14-30 years. It is a skill enhancement programme covering several trades viz. plumbing, metal turning and welding, computer operating, electrician, tailoring and mobile & laptop repairs. The students are admitted free of cost

The course duration is six months which includes a foundation course for all, followed by trade specific training. All the students are given a basic tool kit pertaining to the trade, shoes and an apron. The course focuses more on practical hands on training. Each student is exposed to basics of grooming, banking, computer skills, spoken English and Mathematics as part of the Foundation Course. At the end of the training, the students are placed in industries for internship. After the internship, they would be facilitated to take certification /

licensing examination from Government certifying agencies and supported to find suitable placements.

The outbreak of Corona virus resulted in the closure of the activities of Beacon except the Sewing and tailoring division where the trainees were brought in to stitch masks under the Million Mask Project.

Till now the trainees enrolled under the various trades were:-

ELECTRICIAN	125
WELDING & METAL REPAIRING	26
COMPUTER OPERATING	99
MOBILE AND LAPTOP REPAIRING	22
SEWING & TAILORING	88
SCREEN PRINTING	34
AC MECHANIC	47
WEB DESIGN	46
TOTAL	487

SIES (Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Memorial) High School



The School promotes a high degree of scientific temperament in the campus which is harnessed to foster socially responsive projects. During the year, the School was engaged in following activities.

Climate Ambassadors- Mumbai- Stockholm

An International project executed by Shrushtidnyan- a Centre for Environment Education and Climate Change sensitized a group of students about the problems and challenges faced due to climate change. They buzzed with a number of activities spread all through the year. To enlist a few:

- Talk show on National Honey Bee Day Celebration.
- Quiz Contest- Eco achievers Olympiad 2020.
- Micro Green Plantation and presenting the pots via photos.
- Seed collection (collected and prepared PPT).
- Covid-19 (Awareness about Covid-19 presentation).
- Soil less cultivation (PPT presentation)
- PPT on difference between bacteria and virus
- How to develop immunity system.
- Myths about Nag Panchami as well as PPT on snakes in Maharashtra.
- Celebration of Ozone Protection Day.
- World Vegetarian Day.
- Quiz on Birds.



NCC and NSS Activities



NCC and NSS units in the various SIES colleges provide a platform to go beyond the curriculum and initiate the students to life learning processes. Education is just not preparation for life but life itself. Life changing experiences and moulding the character are two key areas of the functioning of NCC and NSS. While NCC prepares the students for self defence and is a passport to National Defence services, NSS predominantly is in social services. The activities during the year of the various colleges are as under :



SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sion (W)

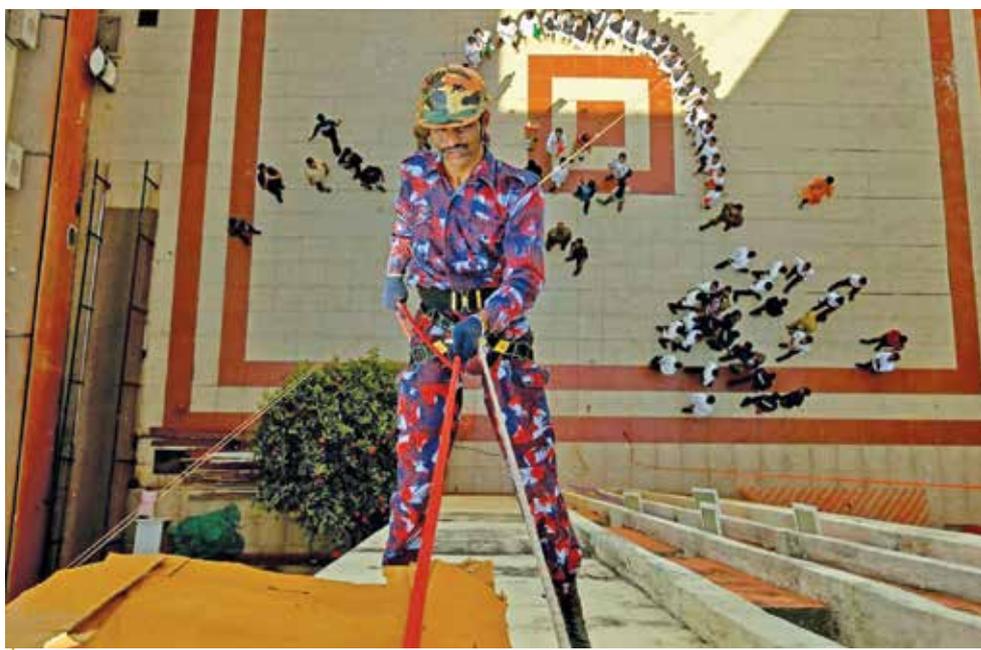
NCC

The SIES NCC Unit successfully conducted many activities and events such as Blood Donation Camp, Tree Plantation Drive, International

Yoga Day, Swacchata Pakhwada, Cyclothon For Fit India, Republic Day and many other social activities.

Achievements

- 1st prize in Drill competition at Combined Annual Training Camp held by 1 Maharashtra Battalion Mumbai 'B' group.
- 1st prize in public speaking ASUO Swaraj Bane at Combined Annual Training Camp held by 1 Maharashtra Battalion Mumbai 'B' group.
- 2nd prize Weapon Training at Combined Annual Training Camp held by 1 Maharashtra Battalion Mumbai 'B' group.
- Our 2014 batch ASUO Abhishek Dubey (RDC 2014, YEP Vietnam 2015, Para Basic 2016) got commissioned as a Lieutenant in Indian Army from the OTA Chennai 2020 batch. Now Serving at Madras Regiment.
- Swaraj Bane, TYBA was recommended for IMA – 151 (DE) from 11th SSB, Allahabad



- CDT Shreyas Bapkar, FYBSC was recommended for NDA 146.

NSS

- An event Class to Class PR was organized on 3rd March, 2020. A class-to-class PR on Plastic Waste as it can be recycled and reduced and reused. The event was conducted with the association of WWF (India).
- Making and distribution of masks in the neighbourhood was done from 19th April, 2020 to 25th April, 2020.
- An Inter-collegiate Online Competition was held from 8th May, 2020 to 17th May, 2020. It consisted of different competitions such as Quiz Competition on Covid-19, Poster/jpeg making competition, Slogan writing competition, Rap/poetry competition and Pass-on challenge. 57 participants were part of these competitions. Students from 30 different colleges participated and the event was peacefully done without violating any lockdown rules and regulations.
- A 4-day Online Yoga Activity called “Yoga Everyday” was organized from 23rd June, 2020 to 27th June, 2020
- A Webinar on “De-Addiction” was organized on 26th June, 2020 on the occasion of “International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.”
- An event ‘Joy of Giving’ was organised from 20th July, 2020 to 31st July, 2020
- A Painting and Essay writing Competition on “GANDAGI MUKT: MERA GAAV” was held from 13th August, 2020 and 14th August, 2020.
- An Online Quiz on Exploring the Culture and Historical Heritage of India Through Online Quiz was organized on 14th August, 2020 and 15th August, 2020. 114 participants took part in the quiz.
- A Poster, Essay and Slogan Writing Competition was organized on 26th September, 2020
- An Online Quiz on Fit India Movement was organized from 1st October to 3rd October, 2020. More than 250 participants took part in the quiz.
- A webinar on Imbibing Ethical Values for Joy and Success In Life was organized on 22nd October, 2020.
- A webinar on Immunity Vital Aspect of Life was organised on 15th January, 2020 by Dr. Sharayu Rajwade in order to spread awareness about important role of Immunity

during this COVID-19 pandemic. More than 270 people were beneficiaries of this webinar.

- An intercollegiate fest “Lakshya” was held on 24th and 25th March 2021. 12 colleges with 140 participants joined the fest.



SIES College of Commerce & Economics NSS

The NSS team undertook several initiatives to positively impact the lives of students and society.

- **Video on Tribute to Social Workers** - On 12/05/2020, our volunteers created a video on Tribute to Social Workers.
- **Environment day** - On 05/6/2020, as an initiative to commemorate Environment Day, our volunteers made a video on protecting our environment
- **Mask making** – On 13/06/2020, the event was conducted, to highlight the importance of mask in protecting from the Corona virus.
- **Yoga session conducted by Yoga Instructor Kush Panchal** - On 20/06/2020, an online seminar on Yoga was conducted, to stress on the importance of relaxation and mental and physical well-being during the pandemic.
- **University yoga session** - On 21/06/2020, an online yoga session was conducted where different asanas and their benefits were taught.
- **Session on TB free India** - On 24/06/2020, participated in an online session conducted by K.C. College to share information about the disease and how it can be curbed.
- **Webinar on De-Addiction conducted by Mr. Roshan Manuskhani** - On 26/06/2020, participated in a webinar conducted by SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce (Autonomous) focussing on how one can assist others on their road to de-addiction from substance abuse.

- **Session on Road Safety by United Way** – On 30/06/2020, a session was conducted to know about the safety measures taken while travelling.
- **Guru Purnima day** - On 4/07/2020, the day was observed by expressing gratitude towards Gurus.
- **Purna Camp** - From 11/07/2020 to 15/07/20, NSS volunteers participated in Purna camp conducted by the University of Mumbai.
- **Hearing Impairment and early intervention** - On 15/07/2020, NSS volunteers participated in an online seminar to create awareness on hearing impairment conducted by Ranjit M, Prajakta Patil, Audiologists.
- **Joy of giving** - From 20/07/2020 to 31/07/20, volunteers participated in online session conducted by SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce (Autonomous).
- **Collaboration on International conference and youth affairs** - On 22/07/2020, volunteers attended international conference on youth affairs conducted by University of Mumbai.



- **Hepatitis B&C Awareness** - On 25/07/2020, an online seminar on Hepatitis B&C was conducted in association with United Way.
- **Awareness video on Hepatitis** – An awareness video on Hepatitis was created by NSS Volunteers and shared on social media to spread awareness.
- **Kargil Vijay diwas** - On 26/07/2020, Kargil Vijay Diwas was celebrated.
- **Balgangadhar Tilak Smriti Shatabdi** - On 1/08/2020, NSS volunteers participated in Balgangadhar Tilak Smriti webinar hosted by the University of Mumbai on YouTube, to honour and remember the great national leader.
- **Raksha of Siblings** - On 3/08/2020, Raksha bandhan with trees was conducted with Khushiyaan Foundation keeping in mind the importance of trees in our life.
- **Law and rights of women** - On 08/08/2020, our volunteers participated in online session by the NSS unit of Sophia College on the law and rights of women.
- **Organ donation** - On 13/08/2020, our volunteers participated in online Session on Organ Donation organized by University of Mumbai.
- **Trash / waste management seminar**- On 14/08/2020, our volunteers organised a session on waste management conducted by Khushiyaan foundation.
- **Independence Day pledge** - On 15/8/2020, Independence Day online pledge was taken by NSS volunteers.
- **Feeding animal** - On 7/09/2020, NSS volunteers of our college conducted an animal feeding event to feed needy animals during the critical Covid time where volunteers had to step out of their homes and feed stray animals.
- **Suicide awareness event by Hinduja college** - On 10/9/2020, volunteers participated in a suicide awareness event.
- **Mental health issues** - On 15/9/2020, our NSS volunteers conducted an online webinar on mental health awareness during the pandemic on by Ms. Shruthi Soman, Graphologist, Therapist, Social Worker.
- **Polio Vaccination Training** - On 19/9/2020, a Polio training at Sion transit camp was conducted by BMC the volunteers learned the basics, like how to provide polio drops to children.
- **Polio Vaccination Drive** - On 20/9/2020, volunteers participated in a Polio **Vaccination** drive at Sion Koliwada.
- **Bhajan Sandhya** – volunteers participated in Bhajan Sandhya conducted by Mumbai University on 2nd October, 2020.
- **VCAN** – participated in VCAN event conducted by Mumbai University on 13th & 28th October, 2020
- **Video on Hindi Bhasha Din** – On 15/10/2020, to highlight the importance of Hindi divas, our NSS Volunteers created a video on this theme and released it on YouTube and Instagram.
- **Session on mental health** – On 16/10/2020, volunteers participated in a session on mental health organised by University of Mumbai.
- **Organ Donation session** – On 21/10/2020, volunteers participated in an organ donation webinar conducted by K.C. College.
- **Video on women empowerment** - On 21/10/20, our NSS Volunteers created a video on woman empowerment.
- **Financial Planning** – On 29/10/2020, a session on Financial Planning was organised and the talk was delivered by Dr. Rinkesh Chheda.
- **Polio Vaccine training** - On 31/10/ 2020 volunteers attended a Polio training organised at Sion transit camp by BMC.
- **Polio Vaccine Drive** - On 1/11/ 2020, a Polio drive was conducted at Sion Koliwada. 350 children benefited from the same.
- **Beach Clean Up** - On 07th, 11th, 21st and 28th of November, 2020 a Beach Clean Up was conducted along with Khushiyan Foundation.

- **Children's Day Celebration** - On 12/11/2020, Books and Clothes donation was organised. The donations were made to Khushiyaan foundation.
- **Children's Day Street play** - On 12th of November, 2020 to create awareness on good and bad touch, a street play was performed to educate the children with SWAN Foundation.
- **Poster making and Slogan writing** - On 24/11/2020, the event was organised to create awareness of fundamental rights and duties on the occasion of National Law Day.
- **Constitution day** – volunteers participated in the event conducted by University of Mumbai on 26th November 2020 to observe Constitution day.
- **University Webinar** – volunteers participated in a one day university webinar on 'Legal aspects related to students and youth movement' on 5th December, 2020.
- **Human Rights Day** - On 10/12/2020, to commemorate Human Rights Day, an online session was conducted by the NSS Volunteers of our college to uphold the duty of every human to be aware of their rights.
- **Dadar Beach Clean Up** - On 2nd, 9th, 16th, 17th, 23rd and 24th January, 2021, a Beach Clean Up was conducted on Dadar beach along with Khushiyan Foundation.
- **Poster making** - On 16/01/2021, a Poster Making event on theme -Donate Blood and Save Lives was organised.
- **Paper Bag making** - On 18/01/2021, a Paper Bag making event was organised to highlight the idea to 'Save Environment' by saying no to plastic and yes to paper bags.
- **Blood donation Street play** - On 25th January, 2021 a Street play was performed to highlight the importance of Blood Donation.
- **Blood Donation** – On 26th January, 2021 a Blood Donation drive.
- Mega Beach clean-up was conducted at Juhu beach in collaboration with Beach warriors and Khushiyaan foundation on 31st January, 2021.
- Conducted polio vaccination drive on 31st January 2021 at Sion Koliwada. More than 730 children were covered by our volunteers with the help of BMC employees.
- Paper bags were distributed in the vicinity on 17th February, 2021.
- Beach clean-up was conducted at Dadar beach on 27th February, 2021 in association with BEACH WARRIORS
- Non Residential Camp for the year was conducted 17th to 23th February 2021 in collaboration with Maharashtra Nature Park (Sion). Volunteers were assigned with bag filling and plantation work. Event was carried on with great enthusiasm and energy in manmade nature park.
- NSS volunteers took initiative to **Teach and serve food** to the children for 6 days from 17th February, 2021 to 23rd February, 2021. The event was conducted in collaboration with Khushiyan foundation at their projects Roti Ghar and Project Pathshala.
- NSS volunteers attended webinar on Disaster Management conducted by the Centre of Disaster Management on 27th February 2021
- NSS volunteers participated in an online session on **Women in Leadership- Defence** on 1st March, 2021 wherein students learnt about women and leadership in Indian Defence Services.



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NSS

- **Poster Making:** On 18th April, 2020, a video was uploaded on N.S.S Instagram official page, wherein Volunteers showed handmade posters to exhibit awareness about Corona Virus.

Around 10 Volunteers were involved in this process.

- **Mask Making:** On 13th May, 2020, N.S.S volunteers created hand-made masks, at their home. 60 handmade masks were made and distributed by NSS volunteers in their surroundings.
- **Quiz:** A Quiz Competition was conducted on “Covid-19 Awareness” on 15th May, 2020 for all the students across all colleges.
- **International Nurse Day:** NSS Unit uploaded a video on NSS official instagram page on 12th May, 2020, to express gratitude to the nurses, the corona warriors, on the occasion on International Nurse Day. 12 volunteers participated in the event.
- **EN-Quiz:** On the World Environment Day, a quiz was conducted on 5th June, 2020 based on “Environment during the Pandemic”. Around 50 students participated in the quiz.
- **Stop Child Sexual Abuse:** An online workshop was organized on 30th November, 2020 to create awareness among students about child sexual abuse. It was hosted by Mr. Swarnim Sen, Senior Manager-Operations and Learning & Development of the project ‘Rakshin’ undertaken by NGO ‘Sakshi’. Some concepts covered were equality (gender based), Sexual Assault Act 2010, exposure, invasive hygiene practices, cyber bullying, pornography, sexting, sexual preoccupation, etc. NSS volunteers participated in the workshop.

NSS Unit celebrated the following:

Date	Event Name
31 st October, 2020	Rashtriya Ekta Divas Pledge (National Unity Day Pledge)
10 th December, 2020	NSS Day Celebration
26 th November, 2020	Constitution Day Celebration
26 th January, 2021	Republic Day Celebration
15 th February, 2021	Road Safety Awareness Drive
26 th February to 3 rd March, 2021	Voluntary Blood Donation Drive
12 th to 13 th March, 2021 and 19 th to 20 th March, 2021	Blood Donation Drive



SIES Graduate School Of Technology

NSS

- Awareness drive against Covid-19 included- Introduction to the virus and disease, importance of Curfew, Types of masks available, making masks at home, Explaining lockdown restrictions, Emphasis on Mental health during lockdown period conducted during March 2020 to May 2020.
- Introduction to Fitness Challenge under the Fit-India movement was conducted for all college students on instagram. Participation in inter-collegiate workout competition 01.05.2020 to 14.05.2020.
- Masks were hand-made by volunteers and distributed to people doing essential services.
- The awareness drive against use of plastic



- included- Importance of segregation of waste, Paper and cloth bag making, reusing plastic creatively has been conducted from 03/06/2020 to 12/06/2020.
- An online Yoga session was organized on 21/6/2020 via Google meet platform where about 107 participants including students and faculty attended on International Yoga Day.
- Social Awareness skit organized by the NSS Unit on 15/08/2020 on the Independence Day.
- Celebrated NSS Foundation Day as Intra-college on 23/09/2020.
- Gandhi and Lal-Bahadur Shastri Jayanti National Day celebration was arranged on 02/10/2021 by the volunteers, remembering their life and teachings.
- The Mental Health Day, an Intra-collegiate interactive speaker session on importance of mental health was conducted on 10/10/2020.
- An online skit to spread awareness on Mental Health, Positives and negatives of social media and child Adoption on 01/11/2020.
- On the “Constitution day” on 26/11/2020, presentation of competition on various topics under constitution of India, thus increasing awareness and interest amongst the students.
- A tree plantation drive was conducted on 28/11/2020.
- As a Swacch Bharat Abhiyan initiative, volunteers collected the plastic waste from the Sunshine Garden, Vashi and disposed in the dry waste bin.
- As part of the Induction Programme, a Yoga session was conducted for FE Students during their 5-day Induction programme. Volunteers also conducted Ice-breaker activities with an aim to boost their confidence between 19/01/2021 to 23/01/2021.
- A disaster management workshop was conducted for FE students and other students of college. About 180 students have been participated.
- Celebration of the 72nd Republic Day in the college and streamed for those watching online. Address by Principal followed by two NSS Volunteers.



SIES Indian Institute of Environment Management

About SIES IIEM

- SIES IIEM was established in 1999. It has been contributing in the fields of R&D activities and academics in the areas of environment management and biotechnology.
- IIEM is recognised by department of scientific and industrial research for research activity and has successfully completed various research projects with funding from DST, BRNS, DBT, ICMR, MCEFCC, NMREIS and several other agencies.
- IIEM also conducts consultancy services, organising seminars, workshop and providing community services through research and creating awareness.
- State of Art Facilities to conduct R & D and consultancy in the areas of Environmental Science and Management. Laboratories are equipped with the instruments like HPLC, AAS, GC, HVS etc.

Consultancy Services

1. Drinking Water and Waste Water Quality Parameters
 - Physical parameters
 - Chemical parameters
 - Microbial parameters: Total Coliform Test, E. Coli, Fecal streptococci Manganese
 - Heavy Metal: Lead, Copper, Nickel, Iron, Cadmium, Zinc, Aluminum.
2. Waste Management
 - Training programs
 - Characterisation of Solid Waste for Composting and Vermi composting
 - Compost Quality Index (Physical, Chemical & microbial parameters and seed quality index)
3. Soil Quality Index for Agricultural and Landscape Applications
 - Physical parameters
 - Chemical parameters
 - Major Nutrients
 - Minor Nutrients
 - Secondary Nutrients
4. GIS based Environmental Planning and Management
 - Natural resource mapping
 - Groundwater recharge study
 - Site Selection
 - Database management
 - Training Program
5. Sustainability Solution for Mitigation of Climate Change Vulnerability
6. Biomass Characterisation for Physical Chemical and Biochemical Parameters
 - Moisture content
 - Nitrogen
 - Phosphorus
 - Potassium
 - Crude protein
 - Lignin
 - Cellulose
 - Hemi-cellulose
 - Fibers
 - Antimicrobial and Antioxidant Testing Screening and Evaluation of Bioactivity of Synthetic Chemical and Natural Compounds

7. Natural Capital Assessment Services

- Implementation of Natural Capital and Ecosystem Services Concept
- Integration of business practices and decision making with natural capital and eco system services concept.
- Assessment of Natural Capital and Eco system Services
 - Qualitative and quantitative approaches
 - GIS mapping
 - Foot printing
 - Stakeholder engagement
- Land Use and Biodiversity Opportunity Mapping Training and Capacity Building

8. Providing CSR Solutions for Environment and Society

- Technical Support in CSR
- Support in the development of CSR strategies for industries
- Implementation of CSR strategies in industries and execution of activities in the areas of environmental and social development
- Stakeholder engagement
- Compliance and regulatory affairs in the areas of environment
- Impact Assessment of CSR activities by industries
- CSR Communications
- CSR Services
- Linkages with NGO partners
- Community engagement and mobilization
- Capacity building
- Training and outreach activities
- Volunteering
- Promotions

Areas of Research and Specific Areas

1. Total Water Management

- Purification of drinking water by using low cost techniques.

- Management of nitrite contaminated waste water.
- Textile waste water management.
- Phytoremediation.
- Oil spill management by biosurfactants.
- Management of brine generated from water purification technologies.
- Assessment and management of marine pollution

2. Solid Waste Management

- Management of industrial waste.
- Management of MSW and other solid waste.
- Management of agro residue.

3. Applied Biotechnology

- Utilization of bio fertilizers and bio pesticide in soil fertility management and agriculture
- Exploitation off beneficial micro organisms in remediation of heavy metals, oil pollution etc.

4. Management of Natural Resources

- Pollution monitoring and management
- Eco restoration
- Studies on Climate Change
- Bio diversity Studies
- GIS

Major Funding Agencies

- Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change
- Department of Science and Technology
- Department of Biotechnology
- Board of Research in Nuclear Science
- Indian Council of Medical Research
- Mumbai - Metropolitan Region- Environment Improvement Society

Specific Areas of Expertise In Industrial R & D and Consultancy

1. Environmental Pollution Monitoring, Assessment and control
 - Waste water treatment technologies

- Zero Discharge
 - Hazardous waste management
 - Lab analysis services and designing of lab
2. Ecology and Bio diversity
 - Assessment of eco system services and bio diversity indexing
 - Mapping of resources and modeling
 - Eco restoration of resources
 3. Microbial interventions in environment Management
 - Bio remediation and phyto remediation
 - Mass Production of Biofertilizers and Biopesticides
 4. Environment Management
 - Designing of policies and plans as per agenda 2030 of Sustainable Development for industries and institutions
 5. Execution of CSR Initiatives
 - Climate change vulnerability assessment, identification of adaptation and mitigation technologies
 - Defining of strategy, planning, implementation and execution of activities
 - Capacity building and skill development
 - Community mobilisation for livelihood generation by developing theme based hubs
 6. Other services
 - Extended producer responsibility for Plastic and electronic company
 - Survey and data analysis
 - Preparation of DPR, proposals, SOPs
 - Training Programmes, Customised events.

MAJOR AREAS COVERED UNDER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY MOBILISATION



Technology Parks for Resource Management and Livelihood Generation

- Implementation of eco technologies,
- Resource mobilisation,
- Establishment of market linkages



Training and Awareness Generation

- Waste Management under EPR
- Water conservation and management
- Climate change and strategies for adaption and mitigation
- Bio diversity and nature trails



Skill Development

- Pollution monitoring
- Waste Management
- Eco-friendly nursery
- Aquaculture, Herbal and medical garden
- Agriculture, organic, Biofertilizers & Pesticides

Major Projects Undertaken During 2020-21

1. **Climate Change adaptation of Onion crop**
This project sponsored by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India was started in November 2019 for a duration of 3 years. About 300 farmers of Sinnar and Niphad Talukas of Nashik, Maharashtra were surveyed through offline and online mode about their vulnerabilities due to changes in climate condition. During 2020-21, experimental trials were conducted in the fields of National Horticultural and Development Foundation, Nashik to evaluate the impact of selected technologies in the improvement of onion yield and fertility.
2. **Biomonitoring and Indexing of 56 rivers of Maharashtra**
The Maharashtra Pollution Control Board sponsored this project of indexing 56 rivers of Maharashtra at 156 National Water Quality Monitoring Programme Stations. The study involves sampling of phytoplanktons, zooplanktons and benthic invertebrates in post and pre monsoon seasons.
3. **The Institute is conducting industrial consultancy with support from AgriSearch India Ltd. for providing technology for the development of mass culture AM Fungi**

Partners of SIES IIEM

a. Government

- Department of Science and Technology
- Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences
- Department of Biotechnology
- MOEFCC, CSIR, DRDO
- Maharashtra Pollution Control Board
- MCGM & NMMC

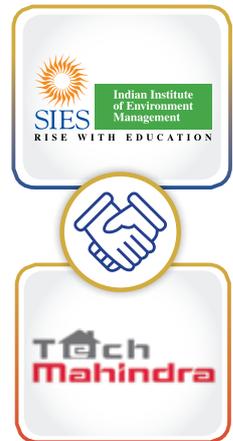
b. Non - Government

- MMR - Environment Improvement Society
- Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and Environment
- Indian Centre for Plastics in Environment
- Balwant Rai Mehta Panchayati
- Raj Kendra
- SEAL Ashram
- Society for Services to Voluntary organisations

c. Industries

- Kokuyo Camlin
- JSW
- RCF
- Mumbai Waste Management Ltd.
- Agrisearch India Pvt. Ltd., Nashik (M.S.)
- Diva Envitech Pvt. Ltd.
- Raitebandhu Aharodyam Pvt. Ltd., Karnataka

SIES Institute of Comprehensive Education



In a first of its kind, the institute collaborated with Tech Mahindra Foundation under its CSR programme to launch its academic activities for socially deprived sections of the society mainly in the lower economic strata. Under this partnership, the entire fees of all the 50 students of a batch are paid by Tech Mahindra Foundation from its resources. The institute structures a meaningful skill enhancement programme of one year duration that would help the students to merit employment in pre-schools in the city.

The primary goals of this desired project were as follows

- To develop a successful community service network for those in the lower economic strata.
- To provide needy individuals and groups with free, or low-cost access to useful information, assistance and professional expertise.

The project was designed as a broad-based, rather than niche-focused, community rehabilitation. SIES-TMF SMART membership reflects a wide spectrum of candidates who are to come together to jointly plan and carry out public programs and services, especially in the educational field.

A second key aspect of this project was that, from its inception, SIES-TMF members worked diligently to include disadvantaged or neglected members of society in consortium program development activities.

The eligibility criteria comprised of the following requirements from the student's end:

- a) Successful completion of Class XII,
- b) Annual family income below 2.5 lakhs.

The objective

- To offer professional training to empower

youth/ women from the lower economic group willing to work with young children.

Specific Objectives

1. To provide training for the development of skill sets related to early childhood teaching.
2. To provide an understanding of the developmental milestones of children and plan related activities to enhance the same.
3. To develop a strong passion to work with children and the community.
4. To offer opportunities for financial independence.
5. To foster women empowerment and uplift their self-esteem and self-confidence leading to holistic personality development.

The grant received from the Tech Mahindra Foundation were

YEAR	AMOUNT (RS.)
2017 – 18	27,61,650
2018 – 19	31,43,830
2019 – 20	21,90,596
TOTAL	80,96,076

At the end of the third year, 150 students qualified after successfully completing DECD course and were placed in pre-primary schools in the city and beyond. The MOU was for a period of 3 years and is being discussed for a further renewal. Due to the pandemic, the programme was not held in 2020-21.



Prajnya Vision



This library for the visually impaired was started with a generous donation from Shri. Shashikant Vora, a past student of the college. Shri. C. Subramanian, Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra inaugurated it on 12/4/1990. Standard text books in the subjects of Arts, Commerce and partly Science were converted into braille. Student volunteers were provided to each blind student to help them read in braille language. Audio cassettes of the standard lessons were recorded by normal students with clear voice and at a slow pace to make listening both educative and pleasure. No fees is recovered from the blind students. They are also provided free lunch under the 'Mid-day meal scheme'. Lotus Foundation supported our initial efforts. The late Shri. Nani Palkhivala blessed our

initiative and encouraged us to expand so as to reach out to as many blind students as possible. Sun Pharmaceuticals, Barclays Bank, Ausenco Foundation and Sion Seniors Citizens Association have also contributed to creating the required infrastructure. Eventhough the centre started for visually impaired students, over the years, it has extended its activities to Learning Disabilities – Dyslexia, Dysgraphia, Discalculia, students with maladjustment problems / emotional crisis.

This Library was extensively renovated in 2018. Shri. Vidyasagar Rao, Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra inaugurated it on 30th June 2018.

Due to lockdown restrictions, visually challenged students could not come to the college to avail of the facilities during the year.

SIES College of Management Studies



The SIESCOMS aims at sensitising students in the social sector. The college carries out various activities that bring about the required transformation in the stakeholders to be conscious of the society around. It broadens the horizons of the students beyond their curriculum objectives. The college brings about a unique journal Prerna as an

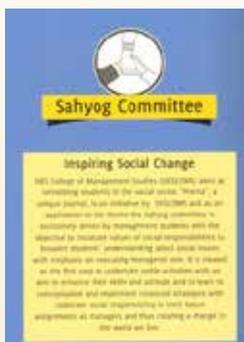
application to the theme that its Sahyog Committee promotes all through the year with the objective to inculcate values of social responsibilities in the students.

‘Sahyog Committee’ is the ISR arm of SIES College of Management Studies.



During the year, it organised the following

EVENTS HELD DURING THE YEAR 2020-2021		
NO.	EVENT	DATE
1	Organ Donation Awareness Week	17.08.2020 - 23.08.2020
2	Logo-making Competition	12.08.2020 - 04.09.2020
3	International Literacy Day	04.09.2020 - 08.09.2020
4	CASI Global 2-Day Conference	04.09.2020 - 05.09.2020
5	World Suicide Prevention Day	10.09.2020
6	World Alzheimer’s Day	21.09.2020
7	NGO Virtual Internship Orientation	03.10.2020
8	World Mental Health Day	10.10.2020
9	Diwali & Rangoli Competition	14.11.2020 - 17.11.2020
10	26-11 Day of Remembrance	26.11.2020
11	NGO Internship Live Project Presentation	29.11.2020
12	World Aids Day	01.12.2020
13	World Human Rights Day	10.12.2020
14	Vocal For Local	13.12.2020 to 25.12.2020
15	Winter Holiday Wishes	25.12.2020 & 01.01.2021
16	Cancer Awareness Day	04.01.2021 & 08.01.2021
17	National Youth Day	12.01.2021
18	Indian Army Day	15.01.2021
19	Social Varatalap - A Social Debate	18.01.2021
20	Republic Day	26.01.2021
21	Nukkad Natak Report	27.02.2021
22	Muskaan 2021	26.03.2021





SIES (Nerul) College of Arts, Science & Commerce

ISR Activities

- **Induction programme:** An online orientation session was organized on 30th January, 2021. The main purpose of this event was to brief the volunteers about the ISR committee and its plans for the year 2021. Total 100 volunteers attended the ceremony and Bharat Iyer, General Secretary of ISR, 2020 joined as a mentor.
- **GURU:** A 5 month program was organized starting from 20th October, 2020. As a part of the program, 32 student volunteers helped 10th grade students to prepare for their SSC board exams. The volunteers devoted one hour twice a week where they would connect to students via phone call to help them in their studies. Each volunteer was allotted a group of 5 students. The activity aimed at inculcating a sense of responsibility towards the society among the students.
- **Umang:** A 2 week program was organised starting from 18th January, 2021 and ending on 30th January, 2021. In this program, 13 student volunteers supported the students from different schools in their overall development.
- **Sahayata- Assam Flood Relief Campaign:** The campaign was organised from 3rd August, to 10th August, 2020 in order to help the people affected by the Assam flood. There were 88 participants in this endeavour. An amount of Rs.20, 400/- was collected and sent to Rtr Vishal Shah who then made sure it reached the flood victims on time.
- **Primitive Tales:** An online event titled "Primitive Tales" was conducted on 10th August, 2020. The aim of this project was to raise awareness about World's Indigenous Peoples and to recognize their achievements and contributions. A total of 7 clubs had collaborated for the event from various districts with 303 attendees.
- **Better Breakfast Week:** A nutrition awareness programme was conducted from 1st to 8th September, 2020, as an online project by the Community Service Directors. Ms. Charu Shukla Pathak, a nutritionist, who is also a member of Indian Dietetic Association, was the guest speaker for the nutrition awareness session. The event had 53 participants in total.
- **Kalamanch:** On the occasion of Hindi Diwas, the editors conducted Kalamanch from 7th to 28th September, 2020, to promote Hindi Literature among the people. Two clubs, Rotaract Club of Kalyan Riverside and Rotaract Club of KV Pendharkar College came forward to collaborate for the project. The event had 13 participants overall.
- **Factozone:** The event titled Factozone was conducted on 16th September, 2020 which included screening a video on facts related to

Rotaract Club

- **Fight Against Covid-19:** 19 students participated in the Slogan Writing competition on the theme Fight against Covid-19. It was open for all the students from 2nd May to 5th May, 2020.
- **Rotaract Literature Festival:** An online literary festival was conducted from 10th May, 2020 - 25th May, 2020. There were a total of 117 participants.

ozone layer with the voice over of International Service Directors. A total of 202 attendees participated in the event.

- **Giving From Heart:** On 19th September, 2020, the club decided to donate money to Richa Borkar, a social activist, and use the proceeds of UDAAN' (an earlier event - a community service initiative) to help needy people. The Chairpersons, Richa Borkar and her team raised funds in two areas in Vashi and a total of more than 150 people were given snacks and refreshments while maintaining the covid 19 norms.
- **Raktadaan:** A blood donation camp, Raktadaan, was set up at Sadguru Blood Bank, Kopar Khairane, on 4th October, 2020. The chairpersons of this project were Rtr. Sakshi Hundare (Zonal Co-ordinator) and Rtr. Adheeraj Gharat (Zonal Co-ordinator). 29 units of blood were collected, out of the 40 donors who had come forth to donate.
- **Joint Bulletin on "City Tales 2.0":** On the occasion of World Cities Day, a joint bulletin was released on 31st October, 2020. 10 Rotaract clubs collaborated for this event. 33 entries in the form of articles were received. Total 456 students participated in this session.
- **Webinar on "Why we miss picking Drug Addiction":** Acknowledging the national anti-drug addiction day, a webinar was conducted on 10th October, 2020 which had 331 participants. The chief guest was Rtn. Dr. Ulhas Kolatkar (District Chief advisor) and guest of honour Rtn. Pushyan Vaidya. The speaker, Rtn. Dr. Lakshmikant Kasat, explained the terms like drug abuse, drug dependence, drug addiction, gateway drugs and designer drugs.
- **Webinar on "A life for Alive":** To spread awareness about organ donation, a webinar in collaboration with 9 other clubs was conducted

on 8th October, 2020 with the slogan 'Don't take your organs to heaven because heaven knows we need them here'. The speaker for the session was Dr. Bijal Mehta, a practicing eye surgeon, Director of Right Sight Eye Care in Mumbai. 115 students participated in this session.

- **"Leadership Assessment Project (LEAP)":** To promote and assess the leadership skills of participants, 18 questions based on leadership qualities were framed by the Entrepreneurship Development Director, Rtr. Shraddha Ramnath. 104 participants undertook the project from 27th January to 30th January, 2021. The "MindTools" website was used to assess the response received from the participants.
- **Animal Feeding:** A CSR initiative activity was organised by the council members, volunteers along with the SIESONS team on 26th February, 2021. The team of student volunteers headed to the 'Hands That Heal Animal Care Foundation' at Karnala which shelters all types of animals and feeds them.
- **PNS Worker Training Workshop:** A 5-day workshop was organized by the Department of M.Sc. (IT) and M.Sc. (CS) for PNS Workers from 15th to 20th March, 2021. The goal of the workshop was to help PNS workers understand the spread of Corona and its effects, use of mobile phones and preparing resumes using MS-Word.



Seniors' Home

The SIES Seniors Home (Care of the Elderly)



The foundation stone for the home was laid on 13th October 2000. The Home was inaugurated on 27th December 2002. Unlike the conventional home for the elderly, this is a unique social initiative mainly for the teachers of yester years who survive on a meagre pay and the terminal benefits received on superannuation were too little to lend dignity to their residual life.

The collapse of the joint family system accentuated by a severe shortage of the housing stock has struck a deadly emotional blow on the elders in the sunset of their life. Geriatriy has its attendant difficulties. Loneliness and helplessness of the old has cast a stigma on the society itself. With several pay commissions being implemented, today a teacher earns a pay which is not less than what other professions offer but in the yesteryears in the name

of nobility of the profession the material needs of the teaching community was never addressed. This has affected these teachers who are now in the last phase of their life. It is the need to provide them dignity in the residual years before they merge into the dust is what prompted the Society to create a Seniors Home which would have preference for Senior Teachers from any part of the city.

The Home provides free Boarding and lodging for teachers who cannot afford any contribution, limited to Boarding charges for teachers who receive nominal pension / interest on their savings and in respect of teachers with spouses whose income levels are substantial, they would share a part of the capital cost and pay in full all the monthly charges. Very few rooms are reserved for the Administrators and affordable non-teachers. The Home has 36



accommodations and houses 23 teacher inmates as on 31/3/2021. It has a spacious community hall, a large dining area and a library. The Home is designed for disabled friendly and all the fittings in the apartments address the needs of the elderly.

SIES Seniors Home was constructed at a cost of about Rs. 5.0 crores in 2002. The inmates teach the Veda Vidyarthis various subjects in their school curriculum.

The Society incurred deficit of Rs. 1,86,77,386/- in the last eight years as under:

SR. NO.	YEAR	DEFICIT
1.	2020-21	17,92,785
2.	2019-20	18,08,298
3.	2018-19	26,24,525
4.	2017-18	35,13,020
5.	2016-17	29,25,035
6.	2015-16	31,71,784
7.	2014-15	15,52,201
8.	2013-14	12,89,738
	TOTAL	1,86,77,386

Adhata Community Centre



In addition to running a Seniors Home which forged a therapeutic union with the young Vidyarthis of Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswathi Veda Vidya Pitha, the Society uses its campuses during non-academic hours to further the cause of the elderly.

The SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sion (W), the SIES High School and the SIES (Nerul) College of Arts, Science & Commerce have partnered 'Adhata', an NGO for care of the elderly. SIES (Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam) Memorial High School also opened its gates during non-academic hours for the senior citizens. The campus of the institutions are thrown open for the elders of the locality for various activities of interest viz. indoor games, lectures on healthcare, philosophy, training in traditional dances, singing etc. The two hour session every evening brings a sense of wellbeing, promotes camaraderie and has helped create a self-help group that addresses all geriatric issues of its members. World Elders Day is celebrated on or around 1st October each year with a mega cultural event that brings out the youthful energy and talent in the

elders. Shri. Arun K. Nanda, Chairman, Mahindra & Mahindra Holidays and Mahindra Realty is the moving force behind this activity.

The activities of each centre are structured to infuse enthusiasm and life into the elders and give moments of relief from the pains of the ageing body. Day wise activities are:

DAY	ACTIVITY
Monday	Physiotherapy
Tuesday	Yoga
Wednesday	Dance Therapy (Zumba & Bollywood)
Thursday	Cognitive Therapy (Puzzle Games)
Friday	Art Based Therapy

As part of these activities, the centres conduct various activities :

1. To facilitate basic Physical health awareness through Chair Yoga, physiotherapy, Aerobics, Zumba, Meditation.
2. For Mental health we engage them in indoor



games, Sudoku, Card games, Memory test games, chess, and scrambles, debates, group Discussion.

3. We teach them E-learning to help those who wish to be tech-savvy.
4. To keep their Motor Skills active, we engage them into Art Base Therapy sessions like:
 - Painting/Drawings (Mandala, Vegetable/leaves painting)
 - Music Therapy

- Paper craft (Tissue paper balls, tissue flowers, Greeting card /montage)
- Best out of waste
- Friendship bands/Rakhi
- Kandil/lantern, etc

Indoor games are also organised at regular intervals. The Seniors assemble each day between 4.00 – 6.00 p.m. The three centres have about 150 regulars who come to the institutions everyday.

SIES Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswati Veda Vidya Pitha



The SIES Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswati Veda Vidya Pitha embraces the traditional Gurukula system of learning with modern education. It combines vedic learning with mainstream education. The Veda Vidyarthis enrolled in the Vidya Pitha study at the State Bank of India Officers Association School for regular 10+2 education. Vedic studies are imparted in a traditional environment. The inmates of the home double up as Hon. Teachers for these students teaching them English, Mathematics, Sciences etc. that form part of School education. A therapeutic union that provides the company of the elders for students moved out of their homes for learning and yearning for parents and the elderly who long for children, either having moved away from them or childless. This bond has emerged as a potent social initiative.

The present education system has been inadequate for the task of turning out sufficient

young leaders who can lift the country out of the polluted waters of our public life and the slime and sledge of a corrupted economy. The aim of character based higher education must be to leave a residuum called culture which would teach a meaningful philosophy of life and enriched character. The traditional Gurukula system has several inherent advantages and promotes a Guru Shisya relationship that transcends all material barriers. In living with our times of integration of old values with modern day means to forge healthy and durable teaching methods that would ultimately lead to good citizens, SIES Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswati Veda Vidya Pitha was inaugurated. In this unique education model, children have the best of both the systems of education. The entire cost of boarding, lodging, education, healthcare and other needs of the Veda Vidyarthis is borne by the Society and no contribution is received from the students.



STD.	NO.
IV	2
V	1
VI	4
VII	6
VIII	2
IX	2
X	3
XI Std (FYJC)	1
XII Std (SYJC)	2
I Year (Commerce)	2
II Year (Commerce)	-
III Year (Commerce)	1
MMS	1
M.Sc. (CS)	1
TOTAL	28
VEDA	
Rig Veda	14
Yajur	12
Sama	2



The system has already seen the emergence of Doctors, post graduates, Graduates who are conversant with Indian culture, tradition and art. The track record of the students who have passed out of the system bares ample testimony to the success of the dual education system. By far this is the most significant innovation brought about by the Society during its long history of over 8 decades.

The vedic school had one regular teacher each for Rig and Yajur veda while Sama veda had a part time teacher. Since the students study in a dual education system, they were sent to SBOA Public School, Nerul for regular education for which the fees was paid by the Society.

During the last 8 years, the Society spent the following amounts in running the veda vidya pitha.

SR. NO.	YEAR	DEFICIT
1.	2020-21	41,38,481
2.	2019-20	54,27,867
3.	2018-19	32,99,235
4.	2017-18	44,97,999
5.	2016-17	30,39,774
6.	2015-16	45,10,638
7.	2014-15	25,21,399
8.	2013-14	23,60,747
	TOTAL	2,97,96,140

Awards and Recognitions



Awards and recognitions are a constant reminder of a grateful society acknowledging the contribution of a person to the betterment of the Society by excelling in the chosen field of specialisation. They also inspire others to emulate the winners and move from an ordinary life to one of purpose. The awards also reflect the changing dimensions in the Society and new fields of public work that deserve encouragement to bridge the deficit gap that exist.

The SIES Sri. Chandrasekarendra Saraswati National Eminence Award and Principal Shri. P. S. Ramaswamy Best Teacher Award are firm steps in this direction.

The Society set up a corpus fund in 1998 through a generous donation to perpetuate the preachings of His Holiness Pujyasri Chandrasekarendra Saraswati, the 68th Sankaracharya of the venerated Sri. Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam. In seeking to honour men and women of eminence who devote their lifetime for the cause of this nation and Sanatana Dharma, the Society seeks to institutionalise a forum through which these awards could be given. The benevolent



sage of Kanchi gave a century of spiritual guidance to millions of devotees all over the world.

The award carries a citation, a huge ornamental



lamp, scroll and a cash prize of Rs. 2.5 lakhs. The award is given each year in Mumbai proximate to the annual Aradhana (death anniversary) of the Mahaswami.

This award in the past and the current year, has been conferred on 84 distinguished persons comprising of

Public Leadership	18
Community Leadership	21
Science and Technology	21
Social Thinker / Philosopher / Pravachana Kartha	19
Foreign Nationals	05
	84

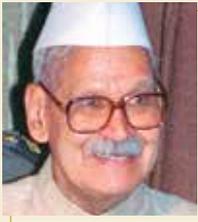
Of this,

Presidents of India	3
Vice-President	1
Prime Ministers	3
Speaker of Lok Sabha	2
Governors	3
Chief Ministers	4
Bharat Ratnas	5
Foreign Nationals	7
	28



SIES Sri Chandrasekarendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award

1st SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 1998



**Dr. Shankar Dayal
Sharma,**

*Former President of India,
Public Leadership*

2nd SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Feb 2000



Dr. P. C. Alexander,
*Governor of Maharashtra,
Public Leadership*



Dr. Nani Palkhivala,
*Jurist,
Community Leadership*



**Bharat Ratna
Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam,**
*Principal Scientific
Advisor to Govt. of India,
Science & Technology*

3rd SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2000



Shri. P. V. Narasimha Rao,
*Former Prime Minister of India,
Public Leadership*



**Bharat Ratna
Dr. M.S. Subbulakshmi,**
Community Leadership



Dr. Ram Narain Agarwal,
AGNI, Science & Technology



**Bhaishree
Rameshbhai Oza,**
Social Thinker

4th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2001



Shri. K. Ramakrishna Hegde,
*Former Chief Minister of Karnataka,
Public Leadership*



Shri. Sunil Dutt, M.P.,
Community Leadership



Dr. K. Kasturirangan,
*Chairman, ISRO,
Science & Technology*



Shri. Pandurang Shastri Athavale,
Social Thinker

5th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Jan 2003



Shri. Purno Agitok Sangma,
*Former Speaker of Lok Sabha,
Public Leadership*



Dr. Veerendra Heggade,
Community Leadership

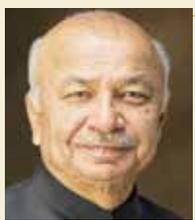


Dr. R. Chidambaram,
Science & Technology



Shri. B.Sundarkumar,
Social Thinker

6th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Nov 2003



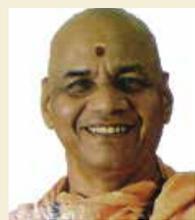
Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde,
*Chief Minister of Maharashtra,
Public Leadership*



Dr. Verghese Kurien,
Community Leadership



Dr. M. S. Swaminathan,
Science & Technology



Acharya Kishore Vyas,
Social Thinker

7th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2004



Shri. Sunderlal Bahuguna,
Community Leadership



Dr. R. A. Mashelkar,
Science & Technology



Shri. Pithukuli Murugadas,
Social Thinker

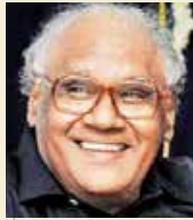
8th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Feb 2006



Bharat Ratna Shri. Atal Bihari Vajpayee,
Former Prime Minister of India, Public Leadership



Shri. Fali Nariman,
Community Leadership



Bharat Ratna Dr. C.N.R. Rao,
Science & Technology



Pujyasri Asaram Bapu,
Social Thinker

9th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2006



Dr. S.S. Badrinath,
Chairman, Sankara Netralaya, Community Leadership

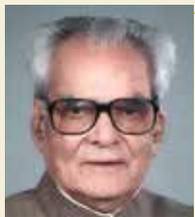


Dr. Madhavan G Nair,
Chairman, ISRO, Science & Technology



Mahamandaleshwar Swami Satyamitranand Giri Maharaj
Pravachana Kartha

10th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2007



Shri. Bhairon Singh Shekhawat,

Former Vice President of India, Public Leadership



Dr. Kiran Bedi, IPS

Community Leadership



Dr. Anil Kakodkar

Science & Technology

11th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2008



Dr. Karan Singh,

Public Leadership



Bharat Ratna Shri. Nanaji Deshmukh

Community Leadership



Dr. M. M. Sharma

Science & Technology



Dr. (Smt) Teejan Bai

Pravachana Kartha

12th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2009



Shri. Somnath Chatterjee,

Public Leadership



Shri. E. Sridharan,

*Chairman, Delhi Metro
Community Leadership*



Dr. Mylswamy Annadurai,

*Project Director, Chandrayan
Science & Technology*



Dr. Satya Vrat Shastri,

Pravachana Kartha

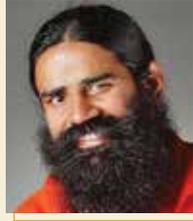
13th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Jan 2011



**Bharat Ratna
Dr. Lata Mangeshkar,**
Community Leadership



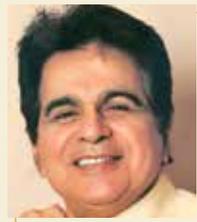
Shri. Arvind Gupta,
Science & Technology



Shri. Baba Ramdev,
Yoga



Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi,
Public Leadership



Thespian Dilip Kumar,
Community Leadership



Dr. Jayant Narlikar,
Science & Technology

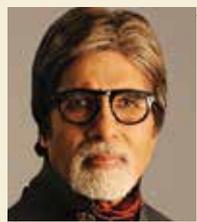


**Dr. Hanif Mohammed
Khan Shastri,**
Pravachana Kartha

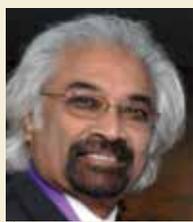
15th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2012



Smt. Sushma Swaraj,
Public Leadership



Shri. Amitabh Bachchan,
Community Leadership



Dr. Sam Pitroda,
Science & Technology



Swami Tejomayananda,
*Global Head – Chimaya
Mission*
Pravachana Kartha

16th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2013



Shri Anna Hazare,
Community Leadership



H.R.H. Princess Irene,
Community Leadership



Dr. Palle Rama Rao,
Science & Technology



Br. Sri. Nochur Venkataraman,
Pravachana Kartha

17th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2014



Shri. Ram Naik,
Public Leadership



Dr. Ilaiyaraaja,
Community Leadership



Prof. Krishnaswamy Vijayaraghavan,
Science & Technology



Sri. Chaganti Koteswara Rao,
Pravachana Kartha

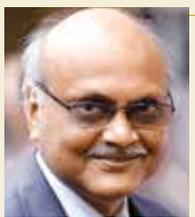
18th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2015



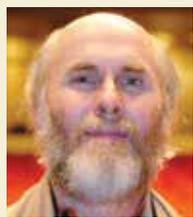
Shri. Suresh Prabhu
Public Leadership



Smt. Rajashree Birla
Community Leadership



Dr. R. K. Sinha
Science & Technology



Dr. David Frawley (Pandit Vamadeva Shastri)
Pravachana Kartha



Dr. Serge Emile Demetrian
Special Award

19th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2016



Shri. Devendra Fadnavis,
Public Leadership



Dr. Kiran Kumar,
Science & Technology



**Thanjavur
Smt. T. R. Kamala
Murthy,**
*Pravachana Kartha/
Sangeetha Harikatha*



Dr. John Ralson Marr,
Special Award

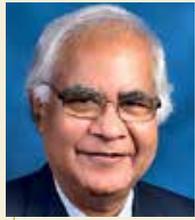
20th SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2017



**Bharat Ratna
Shri. Pranab Kumar
Mukherjee**
Public Leadership



**General Vishwa Nath
Sharma,**
*PVSM, AVSM, COAS, 30 April
1988 - 30 June 1990, Armoured
Corps, 16 Light Cavalry
Community Service*



Prof. Baldev Raj
Science & Technology



**Pujya Swami
Omkarananda**
*Social Thinker / Philosopher /
Pravachana Kartha*



Dr. David Dean Shulman
*International Award for
Promoting Indian Culture*

21st SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2018



Dr. Manmohan Singh
Public Leadership



Prof. Manjul Bhargava
*Community Leadership -
Education*



Dr. V. K. Saraswat
Science & Technology



**Swami Chidanand
Saraswati**
Social Thinker



Dr. Sengaku Mayeda
International Award

22nd SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2019



Nitin Gadkari
Public Leadership



Dr. Devendra Raj Mehta
Community Leadership



Dr. Manju Sharma
Science & Technology

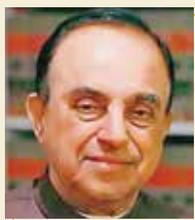


Swami Avdhesanand Giri
Philosopher / Social Thinker



Prof. Huang Baosheng
Foreign Category

23rd SIES Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi National Eminence Award, Dec 2020 *(Due to corona pandemic, the awards were given in absentia)*



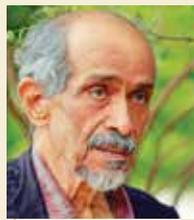
Dr. Subramanian Swamy
Public Leadership



Shri. Kesava Parasaran
Community Leadership



Dr. Bindeshwar Pathak
*Community Leadership
(Special Award)*



Dr. Roddam Narasimha
Science & Technology



Sri Ramakrishna Math and Sri Ramakrishna Mission
*Philosopher / Social Thinker
Institution*

Prof. P. S. Ramaswamy Best Teacher Award

Prof. P. S. Ramaswamy was the Principal of SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sion (W) between 1997 and 1987. He was associated with the college since inception. The college made rapid progress under his stewardship. He died on 1st February 1997. To perpetuate his memory, it was decided to institute an endowment lecture in his name. An endowment of Rs. 6,25,000/- was created out of the resources of the society. The scheme of Endowment provides for an annual lecture to be delivered by an eminent teacher of the city selected by the college as the Best Teacher. The Award



carries a cash prize of Rs. 50,000/-. The Awards ceremony is followed by the Endowment Lecture by the Awardee.

The Endowment lectures were delivered by :

18.4.2010	Ethics in Governance	Dr. Marina Pinto, Retired Professor, Dept. of Civics & Politics, University of Mumbai and Former Head of Politics Department, SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sion (W)
6.3.2012	Role of a Teacher as Mentor in Education System	Prof. Nandini Sardesai, former Head Mentor in Education, Department of Sociology, St. Xavier's College and Professor of Sociology, SNDT University, Mumbai
April 2013	Drought	Dr. Usha Mukundan, Principal, Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Ghatkopar, Mumbai
14.3.2016	Reimagining Higher Education in India – Towards Inclusion with Quality and Excellence	Prof. S. Parasuraman, Director – TATA Institute of Social Sciences
18.2.2017	Transforming the marginalised through education	Dr. Girish M. Kulkarni, Snehalaya, Ahmednagar
17.3.2018	Chemistry for Sustainable Life	Prof. Bhalchandra M. Bhanage, Dean (Infrastructure and Campus Development), Department of Chemistry of the Institute of Chemical Technology (formerly UDCT).
9.3.2019	Experiments with Inclusive Education	Shri. Yajurvendra Anil Mahajan of Deepstambh Foundation, Jalgaon. Educationist, Social Worker and Teacher.
2.3.2020	Humanising Education to create a Healthy Society	Dr. Bindu Chowdary, co-ordinator at the Steiner Education and Teacher Training Centre
2020-21	This year the awards function could not be held due to Corona pandemic	

SIES SOP Star Awards 2020



SIES School of Packaging – Packaging Technology Centre has always been in the forefront for promoting Excellence & Innovation in Packaging in the country. As an Institutional Social Responsibility, through its Star Awards, the SIES School of Packaging identifies the various eco-friendly and environmentally sustainable initiatives in the field of packaging by various organisations. This endeavour also brings forth some of the lesser-known manufacturers and the tier-II Packaging Material Suppliers and aids in their business promotion.

The fourth edition of the SIES SOP Star Awards was no different in recognizing these creative developments in the field of green packaging. Some of the winning entries showcased the plastic free alternatives for labels (Wash-off Label) and Compostable & Oxo-biodegradable films. Some of the entries also exhibited the developments made to assist plastic recyclability with Mono materials and Certifications. These developments augur well for a future that needs to be built on sustainable processes and materials.

The awards are instituted to recognize the talent among the Packaging Sector for their efforts

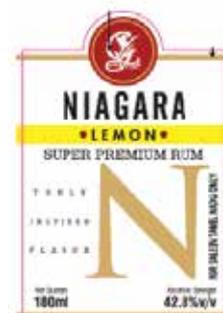
in Innovations/ Creativity/ New Concepts/ New Developments in the field of Packaging covering Primary Packaging, Ancillary Packaging, Product Packaging, Eco Friendly Packaging, Printing,



Oxo-Biodegradable Film



Compostable Film



Wash-off Label



The winning entries of SIES SOP Star Awards 2020 qualify to participate in the World Star 2022 Awards



Packaging Graphics & Aesthetics, Packaging Machinery and Equipment/ Systems, Packaging for Non Packaging Applications, Skill Developments at Academic/ Institutional Levels.

This 4th Edition saw a very encouraging response with a larger and wider geographical spread. Besides the categories as enumerated above, “Presidents’ Special Award” is also instituted to encourage work and developments in “Sustainable Packaging” and other fields. The Jury Meet was held on December 19, 2020 at SIES School of Packaging.

The Jury Panel

1. **Mr. Kiran P. Prayagi** - *Colour Management Expert & Consultant-Printing & Packaging Industry*
2. **Mr. Hemant B. Randive** - *Ex. Vice President at FCB Ulka*
3. **Mr. Ajay Bapat** - *Proprietor (Packaging Concepts) & Pharma Packaging Expert*
4. **Mr. Sethunath Padmanabhan** - *Managing Director, R3 Flexo India Private Limited*
5. **Prof. Prasad B. Iyer** – *I/c Director, SIES School of Packaging*



IS:14534 Certified Materials for recyclability of High Barrier Multilayer Packaging Material.

THE WINNERS

1. Asian Paints Ltd., Mumbai
2. Brilliant Polymers Pvt. Ltd., Thane
3. Capital Foods Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai
4. Cavinkare Pvt. Ltd., Chennai
5. Cipla Limited, Navi Mumbai.
6. Cosmo Films Limited, Aurangabad
7. Eka Pak Global (India) Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru
8. Essel Propack Limited, Mumbai
9. Huhtamaki PPI Limited, Thane
10. IMA-PG India Pvt. Ltd., Navi Mumbai
11. ITC Limited, Chennai
12. Kimberly-Clark India Pvt. Ltd., Pune
13. Max Speciality Films Limited, Punjab
14. MBR Flexibles Ltd., Ahmedabad
15. Mespac India Pvt. Ltd., Thane
16. Milliken Chemical & Textile (India) Co.Pvt. Ltd., Pune
17. Moldtek Packaging Limited, Hyderabad
18. Montage Global Private Limited, Mumbai
19. MTR Foods Private Limited, Bengaluru
20. Nichem Solutions, Thane
21. Paharpur 3P Pvt. Ltd., Ghaziabad
22. Piramal Pharma Ltd., Mumbai
23. Reckitt Benckiser (India) Ltd., Gurgaon
24. Safepack Industries Ltd., Pune
25. SMI Coated Products Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai
26. TCPL Packaging Ltd. Mumbai
27. Tiffany Foods - Allana Group, Mumbai
28. Uflex Limited, Noida
29. Velvin Paper Products, Goa.
30. Wraptech Machines Pvt. Ltd., Navi Mumbai
31. Zenith Tins Pvt. Ltd., Navi Mumbai



GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES

Dated : 16-04-2021

NOTE - THIS LETTER IS ONLY AN APPROVAL FOR REGISTRATION OF THE ENTITIES FOR UNDERTAKING CSR ACTIVITIES.

To,
SOUTH INDIAN EDUCATION SOCIETY , K. A. SUBRAMANIAM
ROAD,MATUNGA,MUMBAI,MH18,MH,400019

PAN : AAAAS6062R

Subject: In Reference to Registration of Entities for undertaking CSR activities

Reference: Your application dated 16-04-2021 (SRN-T14353403)

Sir/Madam,

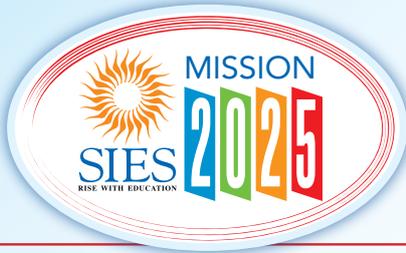
With reference to the above, it is informed that the entity has been registered for undertaking CSR activities and the Registration number is CSR00002399. Please refer the registration number for any further communication.



Registrar of Companies

ROC-DELHI

Note: The corresponding form has been approved and this letter has been digitally signed through a system generated digital signature.



SIES SHALL BE AMONGST THE MOST ADMIRABLE ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS IN INDIA

WHAT DOES ADMIRATION MEAN?

A feeling of wonder, pleasure or approval.

The act of looking on or contemplating with pleasure

Approval, esteem, regard, affection, veneration, honor, idolization, reverence - synonyms for admiration

OUR ADMIRATION SHALL FLOW FROM

The quality of our efforts in the field of education

The quality – the reach, the expanse and sweep of our academic services

Our respect for 'Law' at all times

The creation of an SIES Family where a full family tree would have experienced SIES as students

WHAT DOES THAT CONVEY FOR SIES?

We shall confine ourselves to our core competence i.e. universalising education

We shall redefine the boundaries of our activities beyond Mumbai, Navi Mumbai to India

We need not be 'BIG' but shall endeavour to be the 'BEST'

We shall be 'Admired' for our activities in life learning process through 'Education' The admiration shall come from all stakeholders – students, staff, society

Our scale of admiration shall be based on the value addition we provide during the student days

We shall ever remain 'Student centric' for we have no existence without them

IT'S HALF WAY THROUGH OUR CENTENARY IN 2032

Phase I - GOALS

Student strength to reach over 50,000

SIES – University for Higher education

All institutions accredited at the highest grade 'A' for e.g. in NAAC

Socially responsive education. Beyond the classrooms or social media. 'ISR' the dominant face of SIES. A Good share of admiration from ISR.

Most vibrant network of Alumni, Past Teachers and Staff, present human resources creating the vast SIES Family.

Phase II – Goals and action plan in 2022

2017
PHASE I

2025
PHASE II

2032
SIES 100 YEARS

THE IDENTITY FOR ANY SIES INSTITUTION

A distinct logo within the SIES logo

A value lab

An ISR Department

A Past Student's Association within the institution without separate legal existence

An active forum for parents and teachers

Capitation Free Merit based student enrollment at all levels

Highest accreditation from a National Agency

Research unit

The South Indian Education Society

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