

BUNTS SANGHA'S

S M SHETTY COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT STUDIES

ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20

Forward looking educational institutions have to reinvent their roles, renew their goals, reshape their strategies and reorient their attitude and approach towards education itself and all related activities and people too. The best test for an effective institution is its flexibility to adapt to its changes, and its ability to anticipate changes and equip itself to be ahead of the times, so that changes follow them, rather than they follow changes.

The strength of the college stood at 2303 during the academic year 2019-20. All programmes are filled to the sanctioned capacity of University of Mumbai.

Results

Owing to COVID-19 all third year University examinations have been postponed.

Students, Programmes and Faculty

The college currently offers under graduation programmes in B.Com., B.Com. (Banking & Insurance), B.Com.(Accounting & Finance), BMS, B.Sc. (IT), BMM and post-graduation programmes in M.Com.and M.Sc.(IT) and Ph.D. programme in Commerce. The total strength has of the college stood at 2003.

Awards and Rewards

Our College is a NAAC accredited with 'A' grade ranking. In addition to this, college was awarded with Educational Excellence Award by Indus Foundation New Jersey, Hyderabad and Healthy workplace Award by Arogya world Pennsylvania U.S.A. During 2019-20 academic year college has won the prestigious Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality Certificate of Merit.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The IQAC of S. M. Shetty College of Science, Commerce and Management Studies is the quality guardian that strives to maintain standards in every aspect of academic and administration. IQAC has begun the activities of the academic year by releasing the theme of the year as **"Greening the Blue with Millenials"** and has taken the activities around the theme. The major areas of activities undertaken by IQAC include National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), ISO Certification 9001:2015, Annual submission of AQAR to NAAC, National Conference, International Conference and student and teachers feedback analysis. The other activities conducted by IQAC include the following: Collaborations with Premier institutions in India, Workshop for Non-teaching staff on 'Admissions and Enrolment in association with University of Mumbai, Parental Workshop, Annual Alumni Meet and Faculty Development Programme.

Research Centre in Commerce

University of Mumbai has approved Ph.D. centre in the faculty of Commerce and in the subject 'Business Policy and Administration' leading to Ph.D. degree from October 2017 onwards. Currently, five research scholars are pursuing their Doctoral Programme which is duly approved by Research Review Committee (RRC) of University of Mumbai from our centre. Principal, Dr. Sridhara Shetty is guiding the research scholars. Centre has successfully conducted the course work for the scholars.

Research Cell

Research Cell of the college has taken the initiative to promote Research among faculty and students. To encourage Research, 'Seed Money' is provided both to the faculty and students. During the academic year 2019-20, our faculty members have published more than 50 Research Papers and participated in more than 200 Workshops/Webinars/FDPs/Conferences.

Student Research Forum has encouraged students to develop research bent of mind and scientific temper to involve in research activities. Students are encouraged and guided to actively participate and present research papers in 'Avishkar', a State level Research Convention in our college.

On 14th May, 2019 the IQAC of the college in association with Research Cell organised a National Level Webinar on 'Doctoral Thesis: Key Components and Research Skills' & 'Research Funding Opportunities: In India and Abroad' through ZOOM app, which was also telecast on YouTube simultaneously.

To promote research among students, different departments have taken initiative to bring out Departmental Magazines such as B.Com. Programme – Vanijyam, BAF & BBI Programme – ArthLekh, Economics Department – The Spectator, BMS Department – Magnates, BMM Department- Saamvarta B.Sc.(IGT) Department – Digital Minds and by Research Cell – Anveshan.

Certificate Courses

To enrich the curriculum and to enhance employability of our students, short term certificate courses such as Microsoft Certification on Advanced Excel and Ethical Hacking, Financial Markets, International Software Testing Quality Board Certificate, Digital Marketing, Tally ERP 9 and GST and Incubation Centre for Entrepreneurship Development are being conducted in the college.

Faculty Contribution

Faculty has contributed substantially in the syllabus revision exercise and question paper setting of T.Y. programmes of University of Mumbai. The areas included Economics, Mass Media, Management Studies, Accountancy and Information Technology. A few faculty members have authored books in their domain areas. The faculty has been invited as Resource person also at various prestigious colleges across the nation.

Students' Council

The Students' Council Oath Taking Ceremony was conducted on 15th February, 2020 where the newly selected members of the core committee were officially vested with their powers and positions. Ms.Divya Shaj of SYBMM was selected as the General Secretary of Student's Council for the academic year 2019-2020 with 14 core committee members. Students' Council has organized events like Kaavish - an Intercollegiate Event with four competitions i.e. Poster Making, Power Point Presentation, Best out of waste, Handwriting competition. Visit to Orphanage House at J.B.Nagar Chakala, Mumbai as part of community service, Avabodha session to develop leadership qualities, a Mumbai Police initiative 'Jagrut Mumbaikar' - Citizen's Awareness Program was organized on 23rd August, 2019.

Extension Services - National Service Scheme (N.S.S.), Department of Life Long Learning & Extension (DLLE) and Women Development Cell (WDC)

Currently two units of NSS are functioning with 150 Volunteers. The NSS units of the college had organized blood donation camp and collected more than 200 units of blood. The NSS unit of Bunts Sangha's S.M. Shetty College of Science, Commerce & Management Studies, Powai successfully

completed 7 days Residential Camp from 29th December, 2019 to 4th January, 2020 at Ankharpada, Mhaskal, Titwala (E). The activities ranged from Tree Plantation to Swachata Abhiyan, from health and hygiene to education of the underprivileged. NSS volunteers attended many district, university and even state level activities and camps throughout the year.

The **Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension** has enrollment of 268 students, 11 student managers and two extension teachers. DLLE has also organized many socially relevant and useful activities such as Cleanliness Drive at Powai Lake during Ganesh Visarjan, Session on Climate Change and Bio-Diversity, Session on Entrepreneurship by Maker Ghats of University of Texas, Food Carnival under Annapoorna Yojana, Participation in UDAAN Festival and Voting Awareness Campaign for DLLE Students by Election Commission of India.

The **Women Development Cell** of the college aims to promote gender sensitivity amongst masses. The WDC hosted various awareness and interactive programs around the calendar year focusing on gender parity, gender discrimination issues, women empowerment, women rights, cyber security etc.

Cultural Committee

The Committee's motive will always be **Discovering, Recognizing, Encouraging and Supporting students potential talent**. Talent Hunt took place on the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th July, 2019. Our students participated in the 52nd Youth Festival organized by the University of Mumbai, in different categories of events. Our students won 9 Prizes in Zonal Round and 6 Prizes in the Final Round of the Festival. Annual Inter-Collegiate Festival, EMMORZEAL- Expressions with more Zeal celebrated its 10th year on 18th and 19th of December, 2019. The theme being NAUTICAL VOYAGE- A TENFOLD JOURNEY... attracted a lot of students because of the magnificence and elegance brought in. The college witnessed a total participation of 984 students from 54 colleges of University of Mumbai, making it a grand success.

Mr. Amar Thorat (TYBMM) represented University of Mumbai for a Cultural Program to perform during Ganesh utsav Festival in Mauritius, in September 2019.

Sports and Games

Our Students brought laurels to the college in sports and games by winning various events at University level. Following are our achievements: (i) our football team reached 4th place at University of Mumbai out of 156 colleges participated. (ii) Mr. Krishnan Vijayan of TYBMM was selected to represent University of Mumbai in its Football Team (iii) In Reliance Foundation Youth Sports Tournament our team reached fourth position out of 176 colleges. (iv) Mr. Jatin Tiwari (SYBCOM) and Ms. Reet Saggi (SYBBI won Bronze Medal in Boxing at University of Mumbai) won Bronze Medal in Boxing at University of Mumbai.

On November 29, 2019 the 9th Annual Sports meet of the college was organized at Naval Dockyard Ground, Kanjurmarg. Ms. Samanta Lobetto former Indian Cricketer was the chief guest of the Occassion.

Associations and Committees

In addition to statutory committees, many associations and committees are formed course - wise and activity wise for the benefit of students. They include Commerce Association, Economics Club, Management Association, I.T. Association, Nature Club, Health Club, Theatre Club-Kalaamanch, Hoonar, Photography Club etc. These Associations and committees are under the charge of competent teachers as advisors and have undertaken numerous activities to unleash the potential of our students during the academic year.

Career Guidance and Placement Cell

Career Guidance activities are conducted at regular intervals in the college so as to expose students to the employment market. Incidentally, training was provided to develop soft skills like Effective Communication, Leadership, Inter-Personal Relationship, How to work in a team, How to face the personal interview, How to write a good resume etc. This year 10 companies visited our campus and recruited 169 students from the college.

Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality Award (RBNQA)

During 2019-20 academic year college has won the toughest prestigious Ramkrishna Bajaj National Quality Certificate of Merit. Three member committee consists of Dr. Jayakumar, Mrs. Minakshi Sabharwal and Mr. Dhananjay Tambe visited the college and scrutinised the documents. This two day visit was concluded with various meetings with all stakeholders of the college.

Annual Convocation Ceremony

Degree Certificate Distribution Ceremony was held on January 3, 2020. Dr. Sonali Pednekar, Principal, Mulund College of Commerce was the Chief Guest of the programme. More than 600 students across 6 UG programmes and 2 PG programmes received their degree certificates.

Lead College Status

University of Mumbai has more than 800 affiliated colleges. To facilitate easy conduct of examinations university has identified nearly 50 colleges as lead colleges. Bunts Sangha's S.M. Shetty College of Science, Commerce and Management Studies is one such lead college.

Permanent Affiliation

College has applied for permanent affiliation from University of Mumbai for B.Com programme. The duly constituted committee of University of Mumbai has visited the college and after verification and scrutiny has recommended permanent affiliation to the college from University of Mumbai.

Pandemic challenges are overcome with online classes and online exams. It is testing time for the world. With faith in our abilities, we shall emerge as winners in the years to come.