

# **Deccan Education Society, Pune's Chintamanrao College of Commerce, Sangli**

## **Institutional Distinctiveness**

Deccan Education Society, (D.E.S.) one of India's most renowned educational societies was established on 24th Oct. 1884 by the great national leaders and patriots like Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Waman Shivram Apte, Mahadev Ballal Namjoshi, Gopal Ganesh Agarkar and Vishnushastri Krishnashastri Chiplunkar.

Since the post-independence era, Sangli has been a hub of the turmeric and sugar business and other related agri-business in the Southern Maharashtra and North Karnataka regions. However, there was no major institution in this entire belt that provided education exclusively suited to the requirements of business and commerce. In 1958, the Rotary Club of Sangli, a major association of businessmen approached the then Rajesaheb of Sangli, His Highness Shrimant Chintamanrao Appasaheb Patwardhan requesting him to take efforts to set up an educational institution. He contributed generously and a matching contribution was collected by the Rotary Club of Sangli and the amount was handed over to Deccan Education Society to start a Commerce Education Institute. Thus Chintamanrao College of Commerce, Sangli, was established in 1960 with the noble intention of making affordable commerce education available in the regions of western Maharashtra. It is a matter of great pride that our College has produced alumni who have excelled in different walks of life like academics, judiciary, journalism, social work, finance, industry, business, films, culture, sports, politics, security and defence, etc.

## **VISION STATEMENT OF CCCS:**

“Many a man willingly recognizes that, but for the mission of the Deccan Education Society which consists in cheapening and facilitating education; he would not have received that moral culture on Western lines which the managers of the institutions regard as an essential factor in the national progress”.

--From the statement of the Secretary of the D. E. Society at the opening of Nana Wada Building in June 1900

## **MISSION STATEMENT OF CCCS**

‘We are committed to nurturing our students by providing ethically and socially acceptable business careers through effective education and training’.

Keeping the Vision and Mission statement of CCCS and the rich legacy of DES in mind, the College has focused on *Women Empowerment and Gender Equality* for the year 2016-17.

Accordingly the following events were organized in 2016-17:

1. A guest lecture by Shri Bhalchandra Bapat on the topic of 'Women Empowerment – Financial opportunity through Self Help Groups' (23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016).
2. The Anti-Ragging Cell organized a Lecture on Awareness about Ragging by Adv. A.S. Manjarekar (25<sup>th</sup> September 2016)
3. Women's Safety Week was organized and a National Integration Rally was organized by the NCC and NSS students of CCCS. (From 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2016)
4. A One day workshop on the theme 'All Round Development of women' was organized, in which lectures were given by Dhanashree Apte (Entrepreneur and Dancer), Shruti Dandekar (Women Entrepreneur), and Adv. Preeti Kothari (Lawyer) (7<sup>th</sup> January 2017)
5. The Women Grievance Redressal Cell organized a Workshop by Adv. Preeti Kothari on 'Prevention of Sexual Harassment of Women at Work place' (27<sup>th</sup> February 2017).
6. On 8<sup>th</sup> March 2017, on the occasion of International women's Day, four events were organized:
  - a. A felicitation of Lady Police officers
  - b. A Tree plantation activity at the Traffic Police Station
  - c. Lecture by Shri Ashok Patil, Women and Child Development Officer on the theme of 'Legal Protection to Women'
  - d. A Lecture by PSI Smt. Shilpa Duthode on the theme of Self Defence and Women Empowerment