

# THE NSM TIMES



## Nava Samaj Mandal's Nava Samaj Mandal Degree College

(Affiliated to University of Mumbai)  
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# Our Vision & Mission

## Vision

To raise the next generation of thinkers- strong academically, creative, imaginative and confident in their abilities: aware, conscious of the environment and their place in a global work; Spirited with an understanding of themselves, their self-worth and the joys of kindness and friendship with unbridled energy and a thirst for learning to last a lifetime.

## Mission

Each student will receive a wellrounded education in a safe, supportive environment that promotes curiosity, growth and achievement. Our staff is committed to providing meaningful learning opportunities that generate student success through mentorship and individualized attention.

# ABOUT US

Nava Samaj Mandal Trust was established in the year 1951 by a group of social workers to impart quality education to the policy. The goal of creating an environment blended with the cultural heritage and tradition has been undertaken by the mandal to impart moral values and contribute towards building up better citizen of tomorrow.

A Balmandir was inaugurated by Hon. Shri. Radhakrishnan, the then Vice President of India in 1952. The foundation stone for the Balmandir was laid by the then chief minister Hon. Shri B.G. Kher, on the 800 sq. yards of land which came as the first donation from Shri Chandulal Bhogilal Parikh. Within 4 years in 1956 a Primary school was started in the name of the first donor. A high school started in 1959. In the year 1963 a plot of 5500 sq. yards was purchased and thereafter came gracious donation from Lions Juhu towards high school in 1967-68. Thereafter a two storey building was built in 1974. In 1978, English medium started from K.G. onwards up to S.S.C.

The Nava Samaj Mandal Trust started Nitin Godiwala Junior College of Commerce affiliated to the Higher and Secondary Education, Government of Maharashtra in 2008-2009. The Trust has achieved another mile stone by getting the affiliation of ICSE Board, New Delhi in 2013-2014 for school section. a step ahead has been advanced by inaugurating the Degree College from the Academic Year 2013-2014.

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**Dr. Veena D Prasad**

I/C Principal

# INSTITUTIONAL HEAD

## Dr. Veena D Prasad

I/C Principal

Dr. Veena Prasad Vemuri stands as a distinguished academic leader and innovator, bringing over 18 years of teaching excellence and 7 years of impactful administrative leadership in higher education. Currently serving as Principal of Nava Samaj Mandal Degree College, Mumbai, she is at the forefront of driving institutional growth through AI-integrated education, research advancement, and strategic vision.

A prolific author and committed researcher, she has penned over 32 books in management and commerce, alongside publishing 20+ Scopus and WoS-indexed research papers. Her scholarly work spans cutting-edge domains including Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, FinTech, HR Analytics, and Sustainable Business Practices, with notable presentations at international conferences in India and Dubai.

As a dedicated research guide, Dr. Vemuri has successfully mentored Ph.D. scholars in areas such as financial decision-making, behavioral marketing, and green entrepreneurship—bridging academic insight with real-world relevance. Her innovation footprint is further strengthened by 7 international patents and 2 design and copyright grants across AI, digital marketing, blockchain, and emotional intelligence systems.

An editorial board member and mentor to emerging researchers, she continues to shape future-ready academic ecosystems. Her professional journey reflects a powerful blend of visionary leadership, research excellence, and technological foresight, positioning her as a thought leader in AI-driven education and institutional transformation.



## Editorial Desk

Asst. Prof. Radhika Mahesh Gupta

I am Radhika Mahesh Gupta, currently working as an Assistant Professor with over three years of teaching experience across various institutions. Alongside my academic career, I have developed a strong interest in creative and technical skills, particularly in graphic designing and AI tools, which I have been practicing for the past four years. I have also been associated with Podium Pro Content Writing Services, where I have gained hands-on experience in content creation and digital work.

For the academic year 2025–26, I have taken the initiative to conceptualize, prepare, and publish the college magazine. This opportunity serves as a significant platform for me to showcase not only my teaching abilities but also my creativity, technical expertise, and involvement in extracurricular activities. It reflects my passion for integrating innovation with education and contributing beyond the traditional scope of my profession.



## Teaching Faculty of NSM Degree College

Academic year 2025 - 26

# FACULTY LEADERS



**Asst. Professor**

**Vijaykumar R. Yadav**

Vijaykumar R. Yadav brings 20 years of teaching experience to NSM Degree College. Holding an M.Com in Accountancy and Finance, B.Ed. in Maths and commerce, SET qualified, and currently pursuing a Ph.D. at Mumbai University along with an MBA, he combines academic expertise with practical insight.

Actively involved in the Examination and Sports Committees, he champions both scholastic rigor and holistic student development.



**Asst. Professor**

**Shoaib Hanif Shaikh**

Shaikh Shoaib Hamif is a dedicated educator with 8 years of teaching experience, including 6 years working alongside Dr. Veena Prasad Vemuri at NSM Degree College. Holding an M.Com and MBA, he specializes in Accountancy, Finance, and HR.

Passionate about the stock market, AI, and IT, he brings a modern, tech-savvy perspective to learning, inspiring students to blend traditional knowledge with contemporary innovation.



**Asst. Professor**

**Bina Sambasivam Iyer**

Bina Sambasivam Iyer, the senior-most faculty at NSM Degree College, brings 15 years of teaching excellence, including 8 years at NSM and prior experience at JES College. Holding an M.Com and B.Ed., she specializes in Economics and Commerce.

With a keen interest in the stock market, she combines deep academic expertise with practical insights, mentoring students to bridge theory and real-world application.

# FACULTY LEADERS



**Asst. Professor**

**Shubhada Ashok Chavan**

Shubhada Ashok Chavan is a passionate media educator at NSM Degree College with six years of teaching experience. Holding a Master's in Communication and Journalism and NET qualification, she specializes in mass media and communication.

Serving as class teacher for FY, SY, and TYBAMMC, she also heads the Student Council and Mass Media Association. She is known for nurturing creativity, confidence, and strong communication skills among her students.



**Asst. Professor**

**Zohra S Allani**

Zohra S. Allani is an experienced academic with 10 years in teaching and 3 years at NSM Degree College. A Master's in Accounting and Finance, B.Ed., NET qualified, and Ph.D. scholar in Finance, she also serves as IQAC Coordinator.

Specializing in finance and supply chain logistics, she is known for promoting quality education and a culture of continuous, self-driven learning.



**Asst. Professor**

**Selveshwari Nadar**

An emerging academic with 3 years of teaching experience, she holds an M.Com in Accountancy and Finance and specializes in Accountancy.

At NSM Degree College, she actively contributes beyond the classroom as Head of the WDC Committee and a member of the Examination and Eco Club Committees, reflecting her commitment to both academic and holistic student development.

# FACULTY LEADERS



**Asst. Professor**

**Jigna Bhavan Kapadi**

Jigna Bhavan Kapadi is an academic professional with an M.Com in Human Resources and over four years of teaching experience at NSM Degree College. She specializes in HR and serves as the head of the Cultural and DLLE Committee, promoting students' overall development.

She believes that education should be life-oriented rather than just job-oriented. She also has additional skills in typing and shorthand.



**Asst. Professor**

**Persiyal Punitha Malar**

Persiyal Punitha Malar is a dedicated educator with an M.Com and B.Ed, bringing four years of teaching experience in the field of Commerce. She previously served at Shri Ram College, where she contributed to students' academic growth and understanding of commerce subjects.

Her expertise lies in Commerce, and she is committed to delivering quality education while supporting the overall development of her students.



**Asst. Professor**

**Radhika Mahesh Gupta**

Radhika Mahesh Gupta is a qualified educator with an M.Com and B.Ed, and three years of teaching experience in the field of Commerce. She previously taught at R.D. National College, Bandra, where she contributed to students' academic growth across various commerce subjects.

In addition to her teaching career, she has worked as a Project Manager at Podium Pro Content Writing Services, showcasing her strong organizational and communication skills.



**Visiting Faculty of NSM Degree College**

Academic year 2025 - 26

# VISITING SCHOLARS



**Asst. Professor**

**Manish Prabhakar Patil**

Manish Prabhakar Patil is an accomplished educator with 16.5 years of teaching experience, including 6–7 years as visiting faculty at NSM Degree College. Holding an M.A. in Sociology and specializing in Animatics, he also teaches at Mumbai University and has experience mentoring foreign students.

An international gold medalist in photography and a national swimming champion, Manish Sir blends creativity, discipline, and global perspective into his teaching, inspiring students to excel both academically and beyond.



**Asst. Professor**

**Chetan Mathur**

Chetan Mathur is an experienced educator and media professional with over 18 years of teaching experience. He is a visiting faculty at NSM Degree College, specializing in filmmaking subjects, and has been teaching there for the past eight years.

He holds multiple qualifications in English Literature, Public Relations, Business Management, and Yoga. Alongside teaching, he is an active writer, filmmaker, and member of various film and media organizations, and serves on the advisory panel of the Censor Board.



**Asst. Professor**

**Mansi Singh**

Mansi Rakesh Singh is an educator with an MA in History and a Master's degree in Communication and Journalism. She has one year of teaching experience and specializes in Communication, Media, and IT.

She teaches students of FYBMS and FYBAMMC, focusing on building strong foundational knowledge in these fields.

# VISITING SCHOLARS



## C.A Anil Manwani

Mr. Anil Manwani is a qualified Chartered Accountant with a Bachelor's degree in Commerce (B.Com). He teaches TYBAF and TYBCom classes, specializing in Accounts and Financial Management. With one year of teaching experience at NSM, he brings strong practical knowledge and professional expertise to his subjects.



## Asst. Professor Shaji Kutty

Shaji Krishnan Kutty is an experienced educator with 3 years of teaching at NSM. He holds an M.Com degree and has cleared CA Inter. He teaches TYBCom and TYBAF classes, specializing in Accounts, Taxation, Costing, and Financial Management.



## Asst. Professor Hiraj Sawant

Hiraj Sawant holds a Master's degree with NET qualification and has been associated with NSM for 3 years. He teaches BAF and BMS students, specializing in accounts and finance, and brings both expertise and experience to his teaching.



## **Non Teaching Faculty of NSM Degree College**

Academic year 2025 - 26

# FACULTY SUPPORT



## Kaushal Arun Kaji

Kaushal Arun Kaji is a dedicated non-teaching staff member at NSM Degree College with 6 years of service. Holding a B.Com from NM College, he brings extensive administrative experience, including 25 years in CHA for Air and Sea Shipments.

As the backbone of college administration, he manages salaries, leaves, notices, circulars, and overall discipline. Firm believer in structure, he emphasizes that disciplined staff inspire disciplined students, ensuring a well-organized and efficient academic environment.



## Siddhesh Vishnu Veer

Siddhesh Vishnu Veer is a diligent non-teaching staff member at NSM Degree College with 2 years of service. A B.Com graduate from Pune, he also brings 8 years of back-office experience at Asthavinayak Enterprises.

He plays a key role in exam paper uploads, printing, bell management, and submitting files to the university, ensuring the college's academic operations run efficiently and without disruption.



## Suraj Umesh Chaudhary

Suraj Umesh Chaudhary has been an integral part of NSM Degree College for 5 years. A BAMMC graduate from NSM, he manages administrative responsibilities and serves as Exam Controller for FY and SY classes.

Beyond academics, he actively supports college events and oversees technical operations, ensuring smooth functioning across all institutional activities.

# FACULTY SUPPORT



## Suraj Rajendra Prasad

Suraj Rajendra Prasad has been part of NSM Degree College for 2 years, holding a BA degree along with MSCIT and Tally qualifications.

He plays a key role in the Examination Committee, managing exam control, university portal operations, and student insurance, ensuring smooth and accurate administrative processes across the college.



## Namita Nitin Dalvi

Namita Nitin Dalvi is an M.A. in Hindi and holds a Master's degree in Library Science. She has 4 years of experience working at NSM Degree College, where she manages both junior and degree college libraries.

Earlier, she worked at Kala Vidya Mandir Polytechnic College. Her responsibilities include maintaining book records, managing entries, and ensuring proper availability of library resources. She encourages students to make the best use of the library, emphasizing that reading is valuable for lifelong learning.



## Bharti Gurav and Prabhadevi Bhalekar

Bharti Gurav and Prabhavati Bhalekar are dedicated support staff members at NSM College, Prabhadevi, responsible for maintaining cleanliness and hygiene on campus.

Prabhavati Bhalekar has been serving the institution for 13 years, while Bharti Gurav has contributed for 5 years. Their consistent efforts help create a clean, safe, and comfortable environment for students and staff.



## Executive Committees of NSM Degree College

Academic year 2025 - 26

# COMMITTEE PANEL

	COMMITTEE NAME	COMMITTEE DETAIL	COMMITTEE INCHARGE
1	IQAC	FDP – Faculty Development	Asst Prof. Zohra Allani
		SDP – Student Development	Asst Prof. Jigna Kapadi Asst Prof. Shubhada Chavan
		CDC – College Development Cell	Asst Prof. Zohra Allani Asst Prof. Jigna Kapadi Asst Prof. Bina Iyer
2	ARC	Anti Ragging Cell	Asst Prof. Shoaib Shaikh
3	ICC	Internal Complaints Cell	Asst Prof. Shoaib Shaikh
4	Examination	Internal	Asst Prof. Shoaib Shaikh
		External	Asst Prof. Selveshwari Nadar Asst Prof. Vijay Yadav
5	Result	Examination Result	Asst Prof. Bina Iyer
6	WDC	Women Development Cell	Asst Prof. Selveshwari Nadar Asst Prof. Persiyal
7	MDC	Mens Development Cell	Asst Prof. Vijay Yadav
8	NSS	National Service Scheme	Asst Prof. Zohra Allani
9	DLLE	Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension	Asst Prof. Jigna Kapadi

# COMMITTEE PANEL

	COMMITTEE NAME	COMMITTEE DETAIL	COMMITTEE INCHARGE
10	Student Council	----	Asst Prof. Shubhada Chavan
11	Cultural	Internal & External Intra-Collegiate and Inter-Collegiate	Asst Prof. Jigna Kapadi
12	Sports	Internal & External Intra-Collegiate	Asst Prof. Vijay Yadav
13	Timetable	----	Asst Prof. Shubhada Chavan
14	Attendance	----	Asst Prof. Bina Iyer
15	Industrial Visit	----	Asst Prof. Jigna Kapadi
16	Research	----	Asst Prof. Selveshwari Nadar Asst Prof. Vijay Yadav
17	Library	----	Namita Dalvi
18	Alumni	----	Asst Prof. Bina Iyer Asst Prof. Zohra Allani
19	Placement	----	Asst Prof. Persiyal
20	Magazine	----	Asst Prof. Radhika Gupta Asst Prof. Shubhada Chavan

# COMMITTEE PANEL

	COMMITTEE NAME	COMMITTEE DETAIL	COMMITTEE INCHARGE
21	Associations	Commerce	Asst Prof. Persiyal
		Economics	Asst Prof. Bina Iyer
		Literary	Asst Prof. Radhika Gupta
		Accountancy	Asst Prof. Shoaib Shaikh, Asst Prof. Zohra Allani
		Mass Media	Asst Prof. Shubhada Chavan
22	Social Impact Cell	----	Asst Prof. Persiyal
23	Eco Club	----	Asst Prof. Radhika Gupta Asst Prof. Selveshwari Nadar
24	Career Development Cell	----	Asst Prof. Radhika Gupta Asst Prof. Shubhada Chavan
25	Discipline	----	Asst Prof. Shoaib Shaikh
26	Website	----	Suraj Chaudhary



## Student Council of NSM Degree College

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# COUNCIL OF LEADERS



**Sakshi Ingle**  
FYBMS



**Azita Baria**  
FYBCOM



**Chandan Yadav**  
FYBMS



**Sonam Jadhav**  
SYBCOM



**Harshikesh Londe**  
SYBAMMC



**Riddhi Panchal**  
FYBMS



**Akshay Mehroliya**  
FYBMS



## Class Representatives of NSM Degree College

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# CLASS CAPTAINS



**Palak Gupta**  
FYBCOM



**Ruchira Pawar**  
SYBMS



**Nayna Patwa**  
SYBCOM



**Dhanashree**  
FYBAF



**Aditya Shelar**  
SYBCOM



**Aditi Vishwakarma**  
TYBAMMC



**Snehal Sakpal**  
FYBAF



**Dhrishti Chordia**  
TYBMS



**Vijay Laxmi N.**  
TYBCOM

# CLASS CAPTAINS



**Tanmay Kadam**  
FYBAMMC



**Yash Gupta**  
SYBAF



**Mihir Chopdekar**  
TYBAF



**Kavvy Jain**  
TYBCOM



**Azita Baria**  
FYBCOM



**Gayatri Senapati**  
FYBAMMC



**Harshikesh Londe**  
SYBAMMC



**Riddhi Panchal**  
FYBMS



**Vidhi Jain**  
SYBAF



## Campus Facilities

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# CAMPUS AMENITIES



Campus Activity Space



Campus Leisure Space

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



**Degree Administration Office**



**Campus Seating Zone**

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



**Faculty Common Room**



**Principal Chamber**

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



Library



Library Study Space

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



College Assembly Hall



IT Laboratory

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



**Air-conditioned Classrooms**



**Corridor passage**

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



Cafeteria Seating



Cafeteria Cooking Zone

# CAMPUS AMENITIES



Turf



Turf



## College Events

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# EVENT SPOTLIGHT



## Freshers Party

The Student Council Committee warmly organized a vibrant Freshers' Party, bringing together all FYBAMMC, FYBMS, FYBAF, and FYBCOM students for an unforgettable celebration.



## Halloween Party

“It is not what looks like horror that truly frightens us— the real horror exists in violence, harassment, assault, and stalking. Breaking the fear beyond costumes, this initiative is presented by the Women Development Cell.”

# EVENT SPOTLIGHT



## Kanheri Caves Visit

From classrooms to caves—First Year students discovered the essence of Indian Knowledge System through a visit to Kanheri



## Guru Purnima Day

The Guru Purnima celebration was marked with a joyful cake-cutting ceremony, honoring the guidance and wisdom of our teachers.

Fun-filled games with teaching and non-teaching staff created a warm, memorable atmosphere of gratitude, bonding, and celebration.

# EVENT SPOTLIGHT



## Janmashtami Celebrations

The Janmashtami celebration came alive with the exciting Dahi Handi breaking, soulful aarti of Lord Krishna, and sacred bhog offerings. The festivities continued with vibrant garba, filling the atmosphere with devotion, joy, and cultural spirit.



## DAAS event

The DAAS Event was a grand three-day celebration featuring 18 diverse competitions across fine arts, literary, and media categories, including rangoli and canvas painting. It brought out creativity and talent in full force, creating an inspiring and dynamic atmosphere throughout the event.

# EVENT SPOTLIGHT



## ASHOKA event

The ASHOKA Event marked the 4th year of this dynamic intercollegiate sports fest, bringing together participants from multiple colleges.

Filled with energy and competitive spirit, the event celebrated teamwork, sportsmanship, and athletic excellence.



## Garba Night

Garba Night was a vibrant celebration with lively DJ beats, hours of energetic garba, and a dazzling display of colorful traditional outfits.

The evening featured Navratri aarti, 56 bhog offerings, and special awards for the best-dressed participants, making it a truly festive and memorable event.

# EVENT SPOTLIGHT



## Teachers' Day Celebration

Teachers' Day and Onam were joyfully celebrated with students dressed in elegant South Indian attire, honoring teachers with sweets and thoughtful accessories.

The event featured fun games, heartfelt messages, and lively dance performances by students, creating a warm and festive atmosphere.



## Industrial Visit

An industrial visit to Electrowaves Electronics Pvt. Ltd. was organized for 51 students to provide practical exposure to electronics manufacturing processes.

# EVENT SPOTLIGHT



## Farewell Party

The Farewell Party, organized by the Student Council Committee, was a heartfelt send-off for TYBMS, TYBAMMC, TYBAF, and TYBCOM students.

With topper awards, a lively DJ night, refreshments, and emotional messages, the evening beautifully celebrated memories and new beginnings.



## Talent Inframe

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# STAR PROFILES



## Atharva Mahesh Dhuri

Atharva Mahesh Dhuri is a 19-year-old first-year FYBAMMC student from Santacruz East with a keen passion for photography. Over the past year, he has captured nearly all events at NSM Degree College using his DSLR, showcasing his talent and dedication.

His work has earned him 2 awards and certificates. Beyond college, Atharva pursues photography of festivals like Ganpati celebrations, Navratri and natural landscapes, reflecting his creativity and eye for detail.

# STAR PROFILES



## Chinmayee Vinayak Chavan

Chinmayee is a talented artist and a final-year TYBAF student known for her creativity and dedication. She has played a key role in decorating all events at her college, showcasing her skills in painting, sketching, rangoli, mandala art, and 3D creations. Passionate about exploring new techniques and styles, Chinmayee expresses her thoughts and imagination through her diverse artworks.



Her art reflects patience, observation, and originality, and she aims to continue growing as an artist while inspiring others with her creativity.

# STAR PROFILES



## Om Aklesh Kandu

Om Aklesh Kandu, an FYBAF student, cleared the CA Foundation Examination in January 2026 and is now preparing for the Intermediate level. His interest in commerce and taxation began in the 9th standard, which motivated him to start CA preparation after his 12th.

Through disciplined study, regular self-practice, mock tests, and consistent revision, he built strong conceptual understanding. Om credits his success to his hard work, focus, and the support of his family, and aims to continue this dedication in his journey ahead in Chartered Accountancy.

# STAR PROFILES



## Dance artists

Sahil Pandey, Santoshi Khadka, Anusha Karmacharya, and Sukesh Sahani are final-year TYBAMMC students with 4 years of dedicated experience in dancing. They have showcased their talent across multiple events and institutions, including Chetana College, NSM Degree College, SVIMS (Mulund), Parle Mahotsav, Parle Vidyalaya School, and Bidya Prachar Samiti Ram Niranjan Jhunjhunwala, winning a total of 9 trophies for their performances.

Their consistent dedication and skill make them standout performers in the college dance scene.

STUDENTS ARE



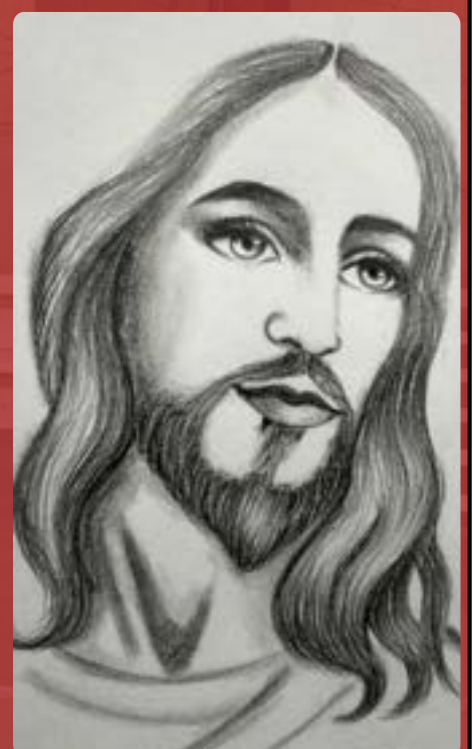
## Creative Corner

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# CREATIVE CORNER

## The Artist Beyond the Desk

Meet Suraj Chaudhary, a dedicated member of the non-teaching staff, whose creativity speaks through his remarkable sketching skills. Nurtured since childhood, his passion for art has grown into a refined and professional talent. Beyond his daily responsibilities, Suraj quietly continues to create, making his sketches a beautiful reflection of his hidden artistic side.



# CREATIVE CORNER

## Two Paths, One Journey

*A Short Poem by Asst. Prof. Jigna Kapadi*

We enter education with dreams in our eyes,  
seeking meaning, and a future to rise.  
One path teaches how to feel and understand,  
the other shows how to build and stand.

Life says: pause, reflect, and grow,  
learn the things no books can show.  
Feel with your heart, be kind and wise,  
for true strength within you lies.

Work says: focus, learn, prepare,  
the world rewards those who dare.  
Build your skills, shape your way,  
create your future day by day.

So I walk both, side by side,  
with purpose deep and goals as guide.  
I rise with knowledge, yet stay whole  
for true success needs both mind and soul.

Teach me to live, and also teach me well  
for only both together break the spell.

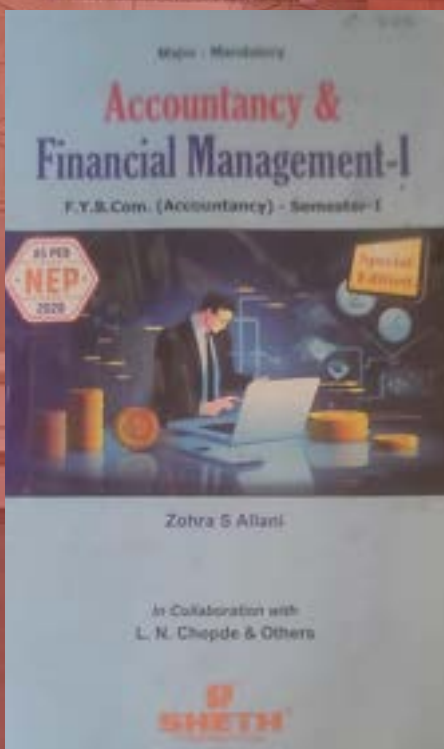


# SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

## Prof. Zohra Allani: Educator, Author, Researcher

Zohra Allani is an Assistant Professor with a strong background in commerce, actively engaged in teaching, academic writing, and research. She is a published author of Accounting and Financial Management I and Financial Accounting, contributing valuable resources for students and educators.

She has also presented a research paper on “Role of AI in Accountancy and Finance” at Clara’s College, reflecting her interest in integrating modern technology with traditional financial practices.



# CREATIVE CORNER

## Beyond Imagination: The Strength and Grace of Women

*An Article by Asst. Prof. Shoaib Shaikh*

From the very beginning, a mother nurtures life, sacrifices her comfort, and builds the foundation of a family. A sister becomes a companion and supporter, sharing both joys and challenges. A wife stands as a partner, contributing emotionally, mentally, and often financially to create a stable and happy home. In every role she undertakes, a woman adds beauty, care, and meaning.

Despite facing challenges at every stage of life social expectations, personal sacrifices, and professional struggles women continue to move forward with courage. They carry responsibilities that often go unnoticed, yet they manage to keep their families united and happy. Their ability to prioritize others while silently handling their own struggles reflects their true strength.

When a woman is empowered, she creates an environment where everyone around her grow.

*“When a woman is empowered, she creates an environment where everyone around her thrives.”*



# CREATIVE CORNER

**Online 24/7...**

**But Emotionally on Airplane Mode**

*An Article by Asst. Prof. Shubhada Chavan*

Let's be honest—our screen time is a little... embarrassing. We open Instagram for “just 5 minutes” and suddenly it's been 2 hours, 47 reels, and one mild identity crisis later.

Welcome to college life in 2026, where:

Attendance is optional, but being online is not.

“Typing...” gives more anxiety than exams.

And “last seen at 2:14 AM” is enough to start overthinking a whole relationship.

We're constantly connected—Wi-Fi strong, data full—but emotionally? Slightly buffering.

Don't get me wrong, social media is fun. It's where we laugh at memes, stalk people we barely know, and somehow end up watching a video about a cat that cooks better than us. It's entertainment, escape, and sometimes even therapy (hello, relatable reels).

But it also comes with its own drama.

The pressure to look good, be interesting, stay relevant.

Posting the “perfect” picture after 47 failed attempts.

Deleting it if it doesn't get enough likes (we've all been there, don't lie).

# CREATIVE CORNER

And then there's comparison—the silent villain. Someone is always travelling, glowing up, achieving something... while we're just trying to survive Monday morning lectures.

At some point, it gets exhausting.

That's why a lot of students are now doing something revolutionary—nothing.

Okay, not exactly nothing... but taking breaks. Logging off. Touching grass (literally). Realising that life exists beyond screens.

And guess what? The world doesn't end.

You start noticing things—your friends laughing next to you, random canteen conversations, inside jokes that don't need captions, moments that don't need validation.

College isn't just about content—it's about connection. The real kind. The one without filters, edits, or “seen at.”

So next time you unlock your phone out of habit, ask yourself:

Do I really need to scroll... or do I just need a break?

*Because sometimes, the best stories aren't posted.*

*They're just lived.*

*And no, you don't need to upload proof.*



# CREATIVE CORNER

## Holistic Development: Learning Beyond the Classroom

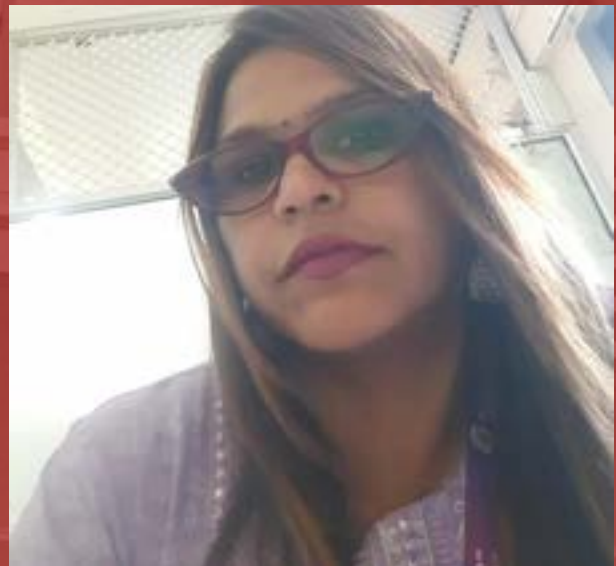
*An Article by Asst. Prof. Zohra S Allani*

Education today is no longer just about textbooks and exams—it is about preparing students for life. True learning happens when knowledge is combined with real-world experience.

While academic studies build a strong intellectual foundation, they often fall short in developing essential life skills like communication, confidence, and adaptability. This is where practical exposure, such as internships, plays a crucial role. It allows students to apply what they learn, understand real-world challenges, and grow as individuals.

Modern education emphasizes this balance between theory and practice. It encourages students to explore, experience, and engage beyond the classroom.

Holistic development means nurturing not just the mind, but also personality, skills, and values. When learning goes beyond books, students become not just knowledgeable—but truly capable.



# CREATIVE CORNER

## Marks vs Skills: What Matters More?

*An Article by Asst. Prof. Selveshwari Nadar*

Every year, after results are announced, the same story repeats. One student celebrates with a big smile, while another quietly hides their tears. Just a few marks decide who is called “smart” and who is not. But is life really that simple?

Marks are like numbers written on paper. They can open a door, yes—but they cannot tell what lies inside a person. A student who scores 95 may forget everything after the exam, while another who scores 70 might be full of ideas, creativity, and confidence. Yet, we often choose to see only the number.

Think of a student who is not a topper but can speak confidently, solve real problems, and lead a team. In the real world, this student stands stronger. Because life does not ask, “How many marks did you get?” It asks, “What can you do?”

Marks can give you a beginning, but skills give you a future.

Marks are just numbers written in ink, but skills are stories written in life. Ink can fade, paper can disappear—but a story will leave echoes forever.

Step out, explore your skills, and create a future that no mark sheet can measure.



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**So, You're Finally Done.**

**Now What?**

**The question nobody warned you about and the honest answers you actually need to hear.**

*An Article by Dr. Veena D Prasad*

Picture this. It is the last day of your final exam. You walk out of the hall, squinting in the afternoon sun, and someone asks, "So what's the plan?" You laugh. You shrug. Maybe you say, "I'll figure it out." And then, somewhere on the bus ride home, it hits you — you actually have to figure it out. The safety net of semesters and syllabi is gone. The world is wide open, and honestly? That is equal parts thrilling and terrifying.

Every year, thousands of graduates step off this campus carrying a degree, a few good memories, and one enormous unanswered question: What now? If you are reading this and nodding, you are in excellent company. And this article is for you.

## **FIRST, STOP PANICKING**

Here is the thing nobody puts in the college brochure: graduation is disorienting for almost everyone. The students who look the most certain on the outside are often the most anxious on the inside. The pressure to have a five-year plan at twenty-one is, frankly, unreasonable. Life rarely respects five-year plans anyway.

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“Your degree is not the destination. It is the ticket that gets you to the platform. The train you board — that is your choice.”

What matters far more than certainty is direction. You do not need to know exactly where you are going. You need a rough bearing — north, more or less — and the willingness to adjust as you move. That is not vagueness. That is wisdom.

## THE ROADS AHEAD

Let us be practical for a moment. When you step out of college, there are really six broad paths that open up before you. They are not mutually exclusive. Many people travel two or three of them across a lifetime. But knowing what they are helps you make a conscious choice rather than a default one.

Notice that “get a job” is just one of six. Our culture treats it as the only legitimate option, but that is a bias, not a fact. The most interesting people you will meet in your thirties are often the ones who took an unconventional path in their twenties — and owned it.

## THE JOB THAT TEACHES YOU THE MOST

If you are joining the workforce, choose your first job for learning, not just the salary. Yes, the salary matters — pay your EMIs, help your family, save something. But a role that stretches you, exposes you to real decisions, and surrounds you with people sharper than you is worth more than a comfortable desk at a prestigious address where nothing much is asked of you.

Ask yourself before accepting any offer: Will I be better at something six months from now because of this job? If the honest answer is yes, take it.

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## **THE FURTHER STUDIES TRAP — AND HOW TO AVOID IT**

Higher education is wonderful — when it is chosen for the right reasons. But there is a pattern worth naming: many students pursue a postgraduate degree not because they are deeply drawn to it, but because they are afraid of what comes after college, and studying feels like a safe way to delay the question.

“More education is always a good idea — unless it is just fear wearing an admission form.”

If you want to study further because a subject genuinely fascinates you, or because a specific career requires it, go ahead with full conviction. But if you are applying to a master’s programme primarily because you do not know what else to do, pause. Talk to working professionals in the field first. The application will still be there in a year.

## **ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP — AND WHO IT IS REALLY FOR**

Not everyone is cut out to be a founder, and that is absolutely fine. But entrepreneurship is not just for people who invent apps and raise venture capital. It includes the student who starts a tutoring service, the one who turns a hobby into a small business, and the one who spots a gap in their community and decides to fill it.

If an idea has been living rent-free in your head throughout college — if you find yourself constantly thinking about how something could be done better — that instinct is trying to tell you something. Give it at least a small experiment before you file it away.

## **THE QUESTION UNDERNEATH ALL THE QUESTIONS**

Here is the thing that career counsellors rarely say out loud: the real challenge after college is not choosing between a job and an MBA, or between Mumbai and Pune. The real challenge is self-knowledge — understanding who you are, what you actually value, and what kind of life you are building toward.

Most twenty-two-year-olds do not have crisp answers to those questions, and they should not be expected to.

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Self-knowledge is not something you figure out once and write in your diary. It is something you discover through decisions, mistakes, conversations, and quiet moments of honesty with yourself.

“The graduates who thrive are not the most talented. They are the ones who keep asking better questions about themselves.”

So ask better questions. Not just “which company should I join?” but “what kind of work makes me lose track of time?” Not just “should I do an MBA?” but “what do I want to be genuinely good at?” Not just “what pays well?” but “what would I be proud to do?”

## A WORD TO THOSE WHO FEEL BEHIND

Some of you will watch your peers land placements within weeks of graduating, announce postgrad admissions, or post about their new ventures — and you will wonder if you are falling behind. You are not. You are on a different timeline, not a slower one.

The story of your twenties is not a race. It is not a competition. It is the opening chapter of a very long book, and the most interesting books rarely start with everything going smoothly from page one.

Whatever you do next — whether it is glamorous or unglamorous, certain or exploratory, celebrated or quiet — do it with full presence. That is the only way any of it becomes meaningful.

*College gave you knowledge.  
What comes next will give you  
wisdom. Go find it — messily,  
bravely, and entirely on your own  
terms.*





## Faculty and Student Leaders of DLLE

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**Left to Right:** Ganesh Nadar (SYBAF), Yash Gupta (SYBAF), Jigna Kapadi (Faculty), Maya Rajput (TYBAF), Tanisha Chaurasia (SYBAF)

# DLLE INITIATIVES



## Self Defence Training for Students

A Self-Defence Training session was conducted for students by Neel Gupta, Pranjal, and Hemant Poojari, equipping them with essential safety skills. The two-hour workshop was engaging and empowering, boosting students' confidence and awareness.



## Say No to Drugs Rally Campaign

The “Say No to Drugs” rally featured impactful self-made posters by students, spreading awareness and a strong social message.

The rally covered Vile Parle Station, Sathaye College, and Dixit Road, reaching the community with enthusiasm and purpose.

# DLLE INITIATIVES



## International Yoga Day

International Yoga Day was celebrated with a rejuvenating session led by Nikhil Pathwardan from ABP Sanstha, guiding both teachers and students. The session focused on mindfulness, fitness, and well-being, promoting a healthy and balanced lifestyle.



## Health Hygiene School Activity

A one-day Health and Hygiene activity was conducted at Mumbai Public School, Vile Parle West, focusing on the importance of cleanliness and well-being. The interactive session helped students understand healthy habits and encouraged them to maintain personal and environmental hygiene.

# DLLE INITIATIVES



## Organ Donation Awareness Programme

An Organ Donation Awareness Programme was conducted by Life Beyond Life Foundation, featuring an insightful seminar by Dr. Maskati, Dr. Kamakshi Bhate, and Dr. Prabhavi.

The session educated students on the importance of organ donation, inspiring them to contribute towards saving lives beyond life.



## Annapoorna Yojana

Under the Annapoorna Yojana, students prepared and distributed refreshing nimbu pani free of cost to all visitors.

The initiative reflected care and service, ensuring hospitality while promoting teamwork and community spirit.

# DLLE INITIATIVES



## Switch off lights and fans - Poster and Slogan Display

A “Switch Off Lights and Fans” awareness drive was conducted with self made posters and slogans by FY, SY, and TY students.

The initiative promoted energy conservation and responsible habits through creative and impactful displays.



## Annapurna Yojana

Under the Annapurna Yojana, students prepared and sold a variety of homemade snacks to teachers and fellow students.

The initiative helped students develop entrepreneurship skills while promoting teamwork, creativity, and practical learning.

# DLLE INITIATIVES



## CPR Training and Programme

A 4-hour CPR Training Programme was conducted by Poornima and Akansha Kadam, providing students with essential life-saving skills.

The session was highly informative, also guiding participants about related courses and opportunities in the medical field.



## International day against drug abuse and illicit trafficking

On the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, students created impactful posters and took a collective pledge to spread awareness.

An outside-college rally was also conducted, with posters displayed around the campus to promote a strong message against drug abuse.

# DLLE INITIATIVES



## Poster Making Competition

An intra-college Poster Making Competition was organized, providing students a platform to showcase their creativity and artistic expression. The activity helped enhance their design skills while encouraging awareness on various social and contemporary themes.



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**Left to Right:** Ruchira Pawar (SYBMS), Shreya Naik (SYBCOM), Vandit Tetgure (SYBAF), Ritesh Betkar (SYBAF)

# NSS INITIATIVES



## Plastic Collection Drive

A Plastic Awareness and Collection Drive was conducted in collaboration with the Project Mumbai Plastic Recyclothon and E-Waste Recyclothon. The initiative encouraged responsible disposal of plastic and e-waste, promoting environmental sustainability and eco-friendly habits among students.



## Beach Cleaning Activity

A Beach Cleaning Activity was conducted at Juhu Beach with the participation of 90 students for a duration of 5 hours. The initiative promoted environmental awareness and responsibility, with refreshments provided to the volunteers for their dedicated efforts.

# NSS INITIATIVES



## Red Ribbon Club Inauguration

The Red Ribbon Club was inaugurated by Ms. Rashmi Desai, focusing on creating awareness about HIV/AIDS among students.



## Seed Ball Making Activity

A Seed Ball Making Activity was conducted by Rashmi Joshi, where students prepared seed balls using various seeds mixed in mud. The engaging activity saw enthusiastic participation from a large number of students, promoting environmental conservation and greenery.

# NSS INITIATIVES



## NSS Camp in Badlapur

A 7-day NSS Camp was organized at Jhambhilghar, Badlapur, offering students a meaningful experience of community living and service. Vijay Kukreja conducted daily sessions on yoga and mind mastery skills, along with various other engaging activities throughout the camp.



## Paper Bag distribution

Paper bags made from newspapers by students were distributed to fruit and vegetable vendors and local hawkers.

# NSS INITIATIVES



## Eye Check-up Camp

An Eye Check-up Camp was organized in collaboration with Lotus Eye Hospital, providing free eye examinations to students.



## Election Duty

Election Duty was carried out in Andheri under University of Mumbai with the participation of 11 NSS Volunteers.

# NSS INITIATIVES



## Voters Awareness Drive

A Voters Awareness Drive was conducted with self-made posters by students to promote the importance of voting.



## Yuvarambh Day

Yuvarambh Day was observed as a week-long activity to create awareness among youth about their rights and responsibilities.

The programme encouraged students to become informed citizens and actively engage in nation-building.

# NSS INITIATIVES



## Menstrual Hygiene

A Menstrual Hygiene awareness session was conducted, along with the distribution of free sanitary pads sponsored by Whisper.

The initiative, led by Sharvari Sonawane and Rakesh, focused on promoting menstrual health, hygiene, and breaking social taboos.



## Tree Plantation Activity

A Tree Plantation Activity was conducted at the Shree Parleshwar Temple premises, where 10 flower plants were planted in the compound.



## Football Team Dominance by NSM Degree College Students

A talented group of students from NSM Degree College — Vighnesh Sangula, Jilani Shaikh, Sahil Kumbhar, Raj Singh, Siddharth Dhuriya, Jatin Solanki, Mehul Jadhav, Sohel Shaikh, and Khushal Bhalerao — showcased exceptional performance across multiple intercollegiate football festivals.

The team participated in 14 college fests and emerged as champions in 11 of them, securing trophies at Chinaay College, Raheja College, JES College, Mithibai Kshitij, MVM College, SM Shetty College, Ritumbhara College, and Dalmia College. They also achieved a commendable runners-up position at Sathey College.

# WINNING ATHLETES



**Sahil Kumbhar**  
TYBMS



**Mehul Jadhav**  
TYBAF



**Raj Singh**  
FYBMS



**Vighnesh Sangula**  
TYBAMMC



**Jilani Shaikh**  
FYBMS



**Sohel Shaikh**  
SYBAMMC



**Jatin Solanki**  
FYBCOM



**Siddharth Dhuriya**  
FYBMS



**Khushal Bhalerao**  
FYBMS



## Students of the year

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# ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS



**Gubbala Sowris**  
**1<sup>st</sup> in TYBMS (HR)**



**Shaikh Nausheen**  
**1<sup>st</sup> in TYBcom**



**Salvi Natasha**  
**1<sup>st</sup> in TYBMS (mktg)**



**Pandhare Rajendra**  
**1<sup>st</sup> in TYBAF**



**Bera Priya**  
**1<sup>st</sup> in TYBMS (Fin)**



**Shaikh Muskan**  
**1<sup>st</sup> in TYBAMMC**

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS



**Motgi Saniya**

BAF



**Amernath Somu**

BMS



**Vishwarma Aditi**

BAMMC



**Shaikh Kahkasha**

BCOM

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS



**Miss. Chordia Drishti**

**Student of the Year 2025 - 2026**



## Placements

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## Successful Campus Placement Drive 2025: TY Students Secure Promising Opportunities

Nava Samaj Mandal's Degree College organized a Campus Placement Drive for Third Year (TY) students on 4th April 2025. A total of three companies—Vaak Report, Times Pro, and Enchantment Plus—participated, offering roles across media, education, and event marketing sectors. Around 40 students appeared for the drive, out of which 14 students were successfully placed. The highest selections were made by Vaak Report (6 students), followed by Times Pro (4 students) and Enchantment Plus (2 students). The drive provided valuable career opportunities and encouraged students to step into professional roles with confidence.



## **Empowering Futures: BFSI Training Programme Achieves Strong Placement Success**

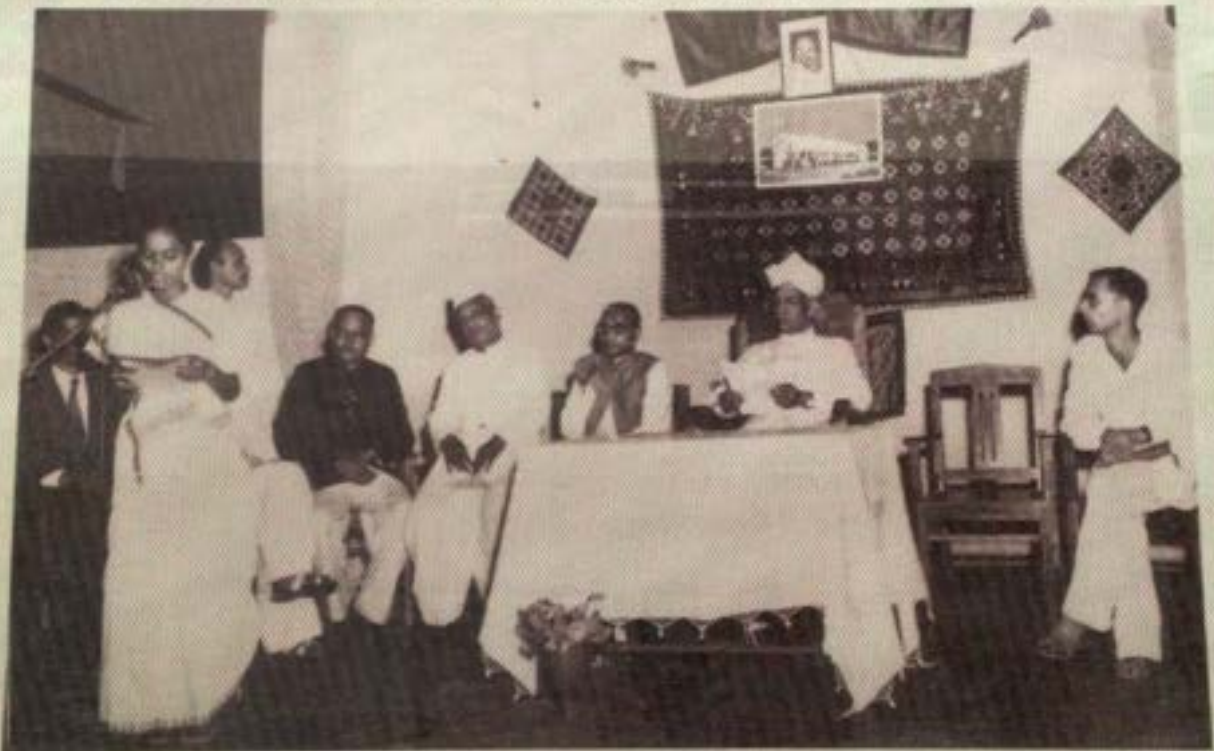
The BFSI (Banking, Financial Services & Insurance) programme, conducted in collaboration with Kotak Education Foundation for T.Y.B.Com students (Academic Year 2024–25), successfully trained 22 students over a 3-month offline course held on college premises. Out of these, 15 students secured placements, including 14 through Kotak and 1 self-placed candidate. Leading recruiters such as HDFC Bank, ICICI Lombard, Accenture, and others participated in the drive. The programme effectively bridged the gap between academic knowledge and industry requirements by providing practical exposure to the BFSI sector, resulting in promising career opportunities for students.



**“The true teachers are those  
who help us think for ourselves.”**

**Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan**

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