Sheth T.J. Education Society's Sheth N.K.T.T. College of Commerce And Sheth J.T.T. College of Arts, Thane (West)

# RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT CELL

## **ACTIVITIES REPORT 2023-24**

Following is the report of the activities conducted by the Research Development Cell in the academic year 2023-24:

# 1. Research Paper Presentation Competition

This event, held on 2nd September 2023, aimed to encourage students and faculty to engage in academic research, refine their presentation skills, and exchange innovative ideas. Conducted in collaboration with the Entrepreneurship Development Cell, the competition saw enthusiastic participation and fostered a collaborative research environment. Participants showcased their research findings, contributing to the development of academic excellence and innovation.

## 2. Grooming Session for Research Guidance

A grooming session was held on 12th September 2023 to guide students in conducting high-quality research. The session featured an esteemed guest speaker, Mr. Ajay Saraf, who shared his expertise on enhancing research methodologies, structuring academic papers, and maximizing the impact of research findings. This session was designed to prepare students for both national and international research opportunities, providing them with the necessary tools and techniques to excel in their academic endeavors.

#### 3. A Week of Innovation and Research

From 18th to 22nd September 2023, a five-day research activity titled "A Week of Innovation and Research" was organized to inspire students and faculty to explore innovative concepts and enhance their research skills. The event featured various workshops, brainstorming sessions, and hands-on activities designed to motivate participants to develop creative and impactful research projects. The week served as a platform to foster creativity, collaboration, and knowledge exchange among the academic community.

### 4. Guidance and Selection of Minor Research Proposals for ICSSR

On 30th September 2023, a session was conducted to guide and select minor research proposals to be forwarded to the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). This activity included providing faculty and students with detailed insights into the ICSSR application process, essential research proposal requirements, and strategies for successful submissions. The session was aimed at ensuring high-quality research proposals that align with national funding opportunities.

#### 5. Guidance Lecture by Mr. Dinesh Israni

In association with the Entrepreneurship Development Cell, a guidance lecture by Mr. Dinesh Israni was conducted on 5th August 2023, focusing on research methodologies and publication strategies. The session helped participants refine their research skills and provided useful tips on

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how to enhance the quality of their academic projects. Mr. Israni's insights were instrumental in guiding students and faculty toward effective research practices and publication processes.

# 6. Guidance for Participating in the Aavishkar Competition

On 5th December 2023, a special session was organized to guide students on participating in the Aavishkar Research Competition. The session covered crucial aspects of the competition, including the format, criteria for success, and effective strategies for developing competitive research projects. It encouraged students to develop innovative and practical solutions, preparing them for success in regional and national-level research competitions.

We extend our sincere gratitude to the Hon'ble Management, Principal, and Vice-Principal for their unwavering support, guidance, and cooperation. Their encouragement has been instrumental in the success of these initiatives and in fostering a culture of research and academic excellence.

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