

Annual Report (2017-2018)

Shankar Narayan College of Arts and Commerce, Bhayandar runs Gandhian Studies Centre funded by University Grants Commission, New Delhi since 2006 and relentlessly works towards redefining Gandhian Values for the college students for a better India. The inception of the college happened in the line of Gandhian Thoughts and their need in the contemporary society especially a region like Mira Bhayandar which is predominantly semi-literate and in the desperate need of Gandhi as a thought- process.

The Committee: Gandhian Studies Centre

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Activities and Events Conducted in the year

2017-2018

Gandhian Studies Centre participated actively in **Peace Rally** organised by **Sarvodaya Mandal** Mumbai in remembrance of the people lost their lives in Nagasaki and Hiroshima atomic bombings **6th August 1945**. The same day of 2017 saw a peace rally and 30 students from the college in it. The rally had more than 3000 students from different colleges across Mumbai. At the end of the rally all the participants took a pledge for living a life based on compassion and non-violence.

The college celebrated Mahatma Gandhi's **birth anniversary** on 2nd October 2017 offering flowers and prayers. The members of management, principal, teachers and students took part in the same.

- 25 students participated in a **Bhajan Sandhya**, a musical concert organised by University of Mumbai at Gate way of India On the occasion of Gandhiji's birth anniversary on 2nd October 2017.

- The Centre arranged **the showcasing of a Movie** based on Gandhi called **"Gandhi"** directed by **Sir Richard Attenborough**. 100 students enjoyed the visual treat on 20th December 2017,

- The college observed Mahatma Gandhi's **Death Anniversary** on 30th January 2018 in which the Principal, Staff and the Students offered their tribute by lighting the candles that epitomize his presence in our life as tight. Prof. Niteen Sonawane was invited as a guest speaker on the occasion. He spoke at length on the relevance and need of Gandhian philosophy in today's age. He explained valuable principles of the Mahatma before the students.

•**Gandhi Vichar Prasar Examination** was conducted in the college in the month of February 2018 for the inculcation of Gandhian values like truth and non-violence. 500 students appeared for the exam. The book named ***Gandhi Ganga*** was selected as the text for the exam comprising some 88 small stories related with Gandhi and his philosophy. Hindi, Marathi and English speaking students took the exam in their respective languages. The Students were also given certificates for participation in the exam.

Dr. Ambuja Joshi
(Co-ordinator of Gandhian Studies Centre)