New Initiatives

Academic Initiatives

- 1. The Academic Council resolved that a new Model College, Maharshi Karve Model College for Women, be established at Shriwardhan, Raigad District, Maharashtra, under the UGC Scheme of Financial Assistance for opening New Model Colleges in educationally backward districts of Maharashtra. A Bachelor of Computer Applications Degree Programme was started in the college from 2011-12.
- Implementation of Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) was approved by the Academic Council at the Post Graduate Level. It was decided to introduce the CBCS from the academic year 2012-13.
- Training of faculty in Integrating Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) was taken up as a project in collaboration with the Commonwealth of Learning (COL), Vancouver, Canada.
- 4. The following proposals were approved by the Academic Council, Management Council and Senate and are sent for Approval of the Chancellor for creation of Faculty of Design and Faculty of Communication and Media Studies. It was also decided to replace the Faculty of Nursing by the Faculty of Science.
- 5. A new website for the university was designed and developed (sndt.ac.in). It was inaugurated at the hands of Hon'ble Chancellor Shri. K Sankaranarayanan at the time of Senate meeting at SNDTWU on Oct 5, 2011 remotely from Raj Bhavan. Hon'ble Chancellor addressed the members of the Senate through virtual meeting platform.
- A bimonthly e-newsletter was published on the website. This was released alongwith the new website at the hands of Hon'ble Chancellor. Five e-Newsletters were published during this year.





Administrative Initiatives

- Online admissions were proposed under e-Suvidha of MKCL from the academic year 2012-13.
- Weekly meetings of officers (every working Saturday) were introduced. These discussions enhanced working of the university.
- The first Senate meeting of the year 2011-12 was held on July 5, 2011. July 5 is also a Foundation Day of SNDT Women's University. Hence a one hour programme on Maharshi and his contribution to the cause of Women empowerment through education was arrangd in University's Sir Sitaram and Lady Shantabai Patkar Convocation Hall for all the senators. This "Nritya Natika" was conceptualised and choreographed by Smt. Rajashree Shirke, Alumna of the university and well known Katthak Artist.







New Initiatives

Infrastructural facilities

- Repairs & Maintenance of Buildings at Churchgate Campus (Patkar Hall Building, Annexe Building)
- Repairs & Maintenance of Buildings at Juhu Campus (Composite building, Hostel building were made leakage proof)
- max Repairs of Main Campus Road in Pune Campus.

Information & Communication Technology (ICT) facilities

- Work related to laying Fibre on Pune and Juhu campuses was initiated. This will help in providing Intra-net and Internet access seamlessly to all the departments and institutions in all three campuses.
- ^x UGC grant of Rs. 2 Crores was received and utilised for purchase of Computer Systems, creation of Virtual Classrooms, Language Laboratories as well as Cyber Cafe for students on all three campuses.







Examination Reforms

- e-Transfer of question-papers to examination centres before the commencement of examination
- Digitization of examination result records of last 25 years through scanning and storing for easy retrieval.
- Processes for issuance of transcript, credentials and verification/ authentication, etc to students within a day.
- Initiative for installation of CCTV cameras in the Pariksha Bhavan.
- The necessary budgetary provisions for following purposes as a part of Examination Reforms -
 - Workshops for paper-setters on creating Question Banks.
 - $\ensuremath{\mathtt{m}}$ Computer Awareness Training to staff of the University.
 - Handholding support Appointment of Technical staff/ outsourcing handholding
 - Additional CAP Centres with proper infrastructure and staff.
 - ^m Online (e-mode) transfer of question-papers at Examination centres.

