

**Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension**

**SNDT Women's University, Mumbai**

**Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) (2018-2019)**

Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) technique is invented by Robert Chambers. It is one of the methods to assess the needs of community. Community Organization & Development is one of the compulsory papers for MA in Non-formal Education and Development programme (MA- NFED). One of the units is how to assess the needs of community. After learning the theory of PRA in the class students are taken to the tribal area to conduct actual PRA in the community. Rural Communes is an organization working at the grass root level. Students of MA- NFED had two days residential camp from October 25-26, 2018 at the Rural Communes, Narangi, Dist. Raigad. During these two days camp they conducted PRA and learnt how to do Social Mapping, Natural Resource Mapping, Transect Walk and Daily activity Map. Students organized a meeting of community women and discussed various issues and life of rural women.



*Dr. Asha Patil With MA- NFED I year students for Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA)- Social Mapping at Rural Communes, Khopoli (Shedashi Pada)(October 25-26, 2018)*

## **R. D. Memorial Lecture Series**

Late Dyanapeet Awardee Dr. Vinda Karandikar has donated handsome amount to our Department to conduct two awareness activities in a year. Every year Department organizes a lecture related to various topics such as women empowerment, population education, education, environment and so on. This year on March 6, 2019 the department invited Ms. Chetana Gala, founder of Mandeshi bank to share her experiences about starting first women's bank, issues faced by them. She shared her initial struggle in starting the bank and how women have empowered now. After her lecture she shown a short video of activities conducted by them. This was followed by question and answer session.



**Ms. Chetana Gala Sinha, Founder of Mandeshi Bank addressing in R. D. Karve Memorial Lecture for MA- NFED & MSW faculty and students on March 06, 2019**



## **Swanubhav- An Annual Exhibition**

Every year the Department of Lifelong Learning and Department of Social Work jointly organizes Swanubhav-An Annual Exhibition where students display their work done during the whole year. This year the Swanubhav exhibition was held from February 27 to March 1, 2019. This exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. Kishor Palave, Founder and CEO of Bright Future organization. Honorable Madam Vice Chancellor, Prof. Shashikala Wanjari presided over the function. Dr. Deepak Deshpande, Registrar of SNDTWU was special Guest. Dr. Asha Patil, Director in-charge welcomed all the guests and explained the theme to all dignitaries. After lighting the lamp, all dignitaries guided the students about importance of entrepreneurship and women's empowerment. Students of MA- Non-formal Education and Development, Diploma in Interior Designing and Master of Social Work put their stalls. Many articles prepared under Skill Development program were displayed for sale. Some of the NGOs where our students are placed for concurrent field work and internship also participated in this exhibition. Department provided them a platform to exhibit their work. It helped the students to learn about marketing skills. This exhibition was open to all. More than 2000 people visited this exhibition. This also helped to give publicity to our various courses.



**Honorable Madam Vice Chancellor Prof. Shashikala Wanjari, Registrar Dr. Deepak Deshpande, Chief Guest Mr. Kishor Palave, CEO, Bright Future – an NGO, Dr. Asha Patil, Director-in-Charge and faculty visiting the Annual exhibition 2019 display by MA-NFED students from February 27-28, 2019**

### **Celebration of Marathi Bhasha Din**

every year Marathi Bhasha Din is celebrated on March 6 which is a birth day of Dyanpeeth Awardee Mr. V.V. Shirwadkar who is popularly known as Kusumagraj. Students of MA-Non-formal Education and Development and Master of Social Work actively participated in this programme. They recited the poems written by Kusumagraj. A brief biography of Kusumagraj was read by a student of MSW. All faculty members and non-teaching staff graced this function.



**Celebration of Marathi Bhasha Din with students & Faculty on March 05, 2019**

## **Workshop on writing CV and facing interview**

Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension provides placement to the students of MA-NFED and MSW. It is very important that students should learn the skills in how to write proper and attractive curricula vitae. Students should also know various manners while facing interviews. Keeping these objectives in mind the department organized one day workshop on Writing CV and facing Interview on March 1, 2019. A well-known personality and professional trainer Mr. Bhushan Trivedi was an expert who guided the students. Students of MA- Non-formal education and Development, Diploma in Travel and Tourism and Master of Social Work attended this workshop. At the end of the workshop, all students prepared their CV. Mock interviews were also conducted.



**Workshop on Writing CV & facing Interview By an Expert Mr. Bhushan Trivedi held on March 1, 2019**