

SNDT Women's University, Mumbai

Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension,

Name of the Skill Enhancement Scheme 2: Workshop on Decoration of Lamps/Diyas

Brief Report

Introduction

On the occasion of upcoming Diwali festival, Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension had organized a Workshop on Lamps/Diyas Decoration on October 24, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The students of MA Non-formal Education and Development (12) were the participants of this workshop. Ms. Devyani Prajapati was the resource person of this workshop. Ms. Prajapati has a family shop in Mumbai. And they sale the decorated items around the year.

At the outset of the workshop Dr. Asha Patil, Director, Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension introduced the students to the workshop and Ms. Prajapati. Then, Ms. Prajapati explained the students the technique of applying paint on raw diyas made up of clay. She demonstrated how to decorate each diya with different decorative items like beads, various stickers *tikli*, glittering powder and how to make each diya saleable.

After completion of decoration of all 150 Diyas, Ms. Prajapati taught the students how to decide the price of the pair of diyas. She explained what important aspects should be considered while pricing any item. In this case, she told the students to take into consideration the price of raw (clay) diya and items used for decoration, colour price and their efforts. Considering all these factors, students calculated the price of each pair. Ms. Prajapati also gave tips on how to sale these diyas.

The workshop ended with proposing vote of thanks to the resource person and students who attended the workshop.

After putting price of the pair of diyas, students went to various departments of SNDT Women's University, Churchgate campus for the sale of diyas. This gave them hands on experience of marketing the diyas. Students sold all the 150 diyas made on the day of workshop.