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# **Rankings and Accreditations**

### University







- Symbiosis International (Deemed University) is ranked 31<sup>st</sup> in India in the University category.
- Symbiosis International (Deemed University) ranked No. 1 in the Top General (Pvt.) Universities category by India Today for 2024.
- Symbiosis International (Deemed University), Pune campus has received the Institutional membership of Association of Management Development Institutions in South Asia (AMDISA) for a period of 5 years.

#### Institute



- Symbiosis Law School (SLS), Pune ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in Law Category.
- Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Pune ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in the Management Category.



• Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Pune & Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Hyderabad received NBA accreditation from the National Board of Accreditation (NBA) for Master of Administration programs.



Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Pune ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in India's Top 50 Business School.

Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Pune has been ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in India and 1<sup>st</sup> in Western region by Times B.B.A. ranking



Symbiosis Centre for Management and Human Resource Development (SCMHRD) ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in India and 76<sup>th</sup> Globally in the prestigious Financial Times Masters in Management 2024 rankings.



Symbiosis Institute of Design (SID) ranked 4<sup>th</sup> Best Private Fashion Design Colleges

Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune #12
Symbiosis Centre for Information Technology #67
Symbiosis Centre for Management and Human Resource Development #13
Symbiosis School of Banking and Finance #74
Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management #37
Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research #103
Symbiosis Institute of International Business #39
Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research (SICSR) ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in Top 10 emerging B.B.A. departments and 2<sup>nd</sup> in top 10 B.C.A. Colleges.

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• Symbiosis Institute of Design (SID) ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Private Fashion Design College 4<sup>th</sup>top emerging Fashion Design college and 8<sup>th</sup> top college with best placement record under Government and Private Fashion Design Colleges overall.

## Achievements

Prof. (Dr.) S. B. Mujumdar, Founder and President, Symbiosis & Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed University) received the 'Lifetime Achievement award in Education' at the hands of eminent scientist Dr. R. A. Mashelkar, instituted by Teamlease.



Prof. Dr. S. B. Mujumdar, Chancellor SIU receiving the Lifetime Achievement award

Deakin University, Australia, has honored Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Pro Chancellor of Symbiosis International (Deemed University), with an Honorary Doctorate. This accolade highlights Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar's significant role in shaping the future of higher education and serves as an inspiration to the academic community.



Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar Pro Chancellor - SIU receiving an Honorary Doctorate from Deakin University



Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman, Vice Chancellor, Symbiosis International (Deemed University) has been invited by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) to brainstorm on calculating city GDP. MoHUA is the national-level authority of the Government of India that formulates policies, supports programs, and monitors issues.

Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman, Vice Chancellor, SIU

## Institute Achievements

• Symbiosis Law School (SLS), Pune has become a part of the prestigious DAADproject titled 'Implementations of the SDGs - a Comparative Approach in India, Nepal, and Germany.' The other project partners include representatives from Kathmandu University, Nepal, and Ostfalia University, Germany.





- Symbiosis School of Visual Arts and Photography (SSVAP) has been ranked among the Top 10 Promising Fine, Visual & Performing Arts Colleges in India 2024 by the Higher Education Review Magazine.
- SIBM, Pune, has partnered with Yashwantrao Chavan Academy of Development Administration (YASHADA) to provide training for civil servants who were unable to attend the foundation course at Lal Bahadur Shastri NationalAcademy of Administration (LBSNAA). SIBM will specifically handle the management portion of this year-long training program.
- Symbiosis Centre for Management and Human Resource Development (SCMHRD) is listed among the top 100 in LinkedIn's annual list of Top M.B.A. Programs, revealing the best business schools around the world. The list is built on exclusive LinkedIn data looking at career outcomes of M.B.A. alumni, such as job placement rates, advancement to senior-level positions and network strength.

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## **Faculty Achievements**

Symbiosis International (Deemed University) celebrates a remarkable achievement as 11 faculty members and 1 Distinguished Research Professor have been recognized in the prestigious Stanford / Elsevier's Top 2% Scientist Rankings for 2023. Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman, Vice Chancellor, SIU, Dr. Ketan Kotecha, Professor & Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Director, SIT Pune, Dr. Rajesh Kumar Dhanaraj, Research Professor, SICSR, Dr. Pritesh Shah, Professor, SIT Pune, Dr. Sumit Kumar, Professor, SIT, Pune, Dr. Dipasha Sharma Associate Professor, SCMHRD, Dr.



Ashok P., Associate Professor, SIDTM, Dr. Ravi Sekhar, Assistant Professor, Dr. Brij Gupta Adjunct Faculty, SCIT, Dr. Sundeep Salvi, Distinguished Research Professor, SIU, Dr. Debarun Chakraborty, Associate Professor, SIBM-Nagpur, and Dr. Sharnil Pandya, Associate Professor, SIT, Pune are listed in the Top 2% Scientist Rankings. This recognition highlights the hard work and contributions of these scholars to the global academic community.



Dr. Shashikala Gurpur, Dean, Faculty of Law & Director SLS, Pune was invited to attend and participate in the International Association of Law Schools 2024 Global Law Deans' Forum and Annual Meeting at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland, on 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

Dr. Madhvi Sethi, Director, Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Bengaluru has been nominated for the esteemed Global Colloquium at Harvard Business School in Boston, USA.





Dr. Netra Neelam, Director, SCMHRD was invited to participate in the Belbin International Team Conference to conduct a workshop on the topic of "Leveraging Belbin Team Roles to develop Industry Ready Professionals to have global and regional understanding" at Cambridge on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

Dr. Vandita Dar, from Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Bengaluru was invited to teach the course 'Understanding Social and Economic Indicators' as a Visiting Scholar to the Department of Sociology and Social Policy, Lingnan University, Hong Kong, during their summer term.



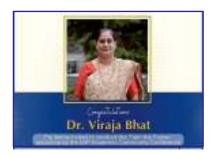
- Dr. Vandana Sonwaney, Director of Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management (SIOM), Nashik has been appointed as an Independent Director of PMEA Solar Tech Solutions since 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024.
- Dr. Vandana Sonwaney, Director of SIOM, Nashik contributed as a resource person for the CII FDP: Shaping the Future of Teaching with Industries, held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024, at the Confederation of Indian Industry in Nashik.
- Professor Dr. Jatinderkumar R. Saini, Professor & Director, Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research (SICSR) is elected as the Member of the Executive Council of the Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE), Pune Center for the term 2024-26. Govt. of India has recognised IETE as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (SIRO).

Dr. Arif Abad, from Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Nagpur received 'Best Paper Presentation Award' for his paper at International Conference on Sustainable Computing and Integrated Communication in Changing Landscape of AI (ICSCAI-2024) held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024, at Lloyd Institute of Engineering & Technology, Greater Noida.



Dr. Arif Abad, from (SIBM), Nagpur

Dr. Viraja Bhat, Associate Professor, and Head of Department of Information Technology from Symbiosis Institute of International Business (SIIB) was invited to conduct 'Train the Trainer' workshop, organized and cohosted by SAP University Alliance at the SAP Academic Community Conference India 2024. This event was conducted in Bengaluru from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024, in collaboration with the Academic Board APJC and ACC Melbourne 2024.



Dr. Shagun Thakural, Faculty, Symbiosis Centre for Management and Human Resource Development (SCMHRD) featured in an exclusive interview by CFA Society India, celebrating her decade-long dedication to volunteering.



- Dr. Vandana Sonwaney, Director, SIOM, Nashik has been awarded the "Loyalty Award" by the Management of Symbiosis International (Deemed University).
- Dr.Yashomandira Kharde, Assistant Professor, SIOM, was awarded as, "Ace Teacher" by Symbiosis International (Deemed University).
- Dr. Suruchi Pandey, from Symbiosis Institute of Management Studies (SIMS) was invited as Jury for the forthcoming National Awards for HR Excellence announced by National Institute of Personnel Management (NIPM).

Dr. Aaliyah Siddiqui, from Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Nagpur has been awarded her 2<sup>nd</sup> Ph.D. in Law by Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur.



Faculty from Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Bengaluru Dr. Meenakshi, has received the Best Paper Award organized by the Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering, Nigdi, Pune.



Professor Dr. Rajesh Kumar Dhanaraj, from Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research (SICSR) served as a BoS Member - Academic Expert in 6<sup>th</sup> BoS meeting held at United World Institute of Technology (UIT) Karnavati University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

Dr. Manjari Jonnalagadda from SSLA was invited by PLoS ONE to review the manuscript - PONE-D-23-39938R2 'Ancestral origins of TYR and OCA2 gene mutations in oculocutaneous albinism from two admixed populations in Colombia. She is also invited by Scientific Reports to review the manuscript titled "Genetic Ancestry and Self-Reported Skin Color-Race in The Urban Admixed Population of SÃO PAULO City, Brazil

Dr. Anshuman Sewda, Associate Professor, Symbiosis Institute of Health Sciences (SIHS) was invited as a Global Guest Speaker at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Global Entrepreneurship Symposium on Digitalization Era for NextGen of Global Startups (September 20-21, 2024) organized by LNMIIT, Jaipur, India and CGM Training and Consulting, Cape Town, South Africa.

Dr. Rashmi Santosh Tupe, Associate Professor, Symbiosis School of Biological Sciences (SSBS) was awarded a Travel grant from the Science & Engineering Research Board (SERB) under the International Travel Support (ITS) Scheme, Government of India to deliver a talk at the 15<sup>th</sup> International Maillard Reaction Society (IMARS) Congress, Maastricht, the Netherlands, from 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

Dr. Rashmi Santosh Tupe From SSBS

(Public Health) at SIHS contributed to the International Webinar on Health Literacy conducted by Manipal Academy of Higher Education on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2024. The topic of discussion was "Health Literacy and Treatment Seeking during a Stroke".

Dr. Manjari Jonnalagadda

- Dr. Manesh Muraleedharan, Assistant Professor
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Dr. Suresh Babu Kondaveeti, Associate Professor in the Department of Biochemistry, SMCW, has been awarded the Prestigious Blackbuck Pioneer Researcher Award by Medical Dialogues. The award ceremony took place on 28<sup>th</sup> June , 2024, at The Lalit Hotel, New Delhi.

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- On 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024, Dr. Richa, from Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts (SSLA) was invited by the Director, Centre for Women's Development Studies (CWDS), New Delhi, to review their project titled "The Life of Migrant Women in Yamuna Floodplain."
- In southern Karnataka's BR Hills, Professor Barry Rodrigue and Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts (SSLA) alumnus Sudev Madhav, are studying megalithic and heritage sites with the Soliga indigenous tribe. Madhav's undergraduate dissertation on Soliga environmental heritage has earned him a place in graduate studies at Radboud University in the Netherlands. Together, they are assisting the Soliga in establishing a heritage center.









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Dr. Sonali Kothari, faculty of Computer Science Department, SIT, Pune has achieved the ISAC Certified Cyber Crime Intervention Officer (CCIO) certification on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024! This certification opens doors for her to collaborate with Government Cyber Crime offices, making her a key player in the fight against cybercrime.



Dr. K. Nandhini, faculty at the Department of AI & ML Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Pune received the Best Paper Award in ICCUBEA'2024.



Dr. Sayali Apte, Faculty, Department of Civil Engineering and Dr. Sayali Sandbhor, Head, Department of Civil Engineering from SIT, Pune have bagged an action and research funding for development of water treatment system for rural population from Dassault Systèmes.



Dr. Om Prakash from Symbiosis Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability delivered a session on 'Role of Microbial Diversity in Climate Change' for the Refresher Course in Environmental Science organised by the UGC – Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong.





Dr. Anita Patankar, Director, SCIE participated in QS Summit at Barcelona. She was invited to speak on 'AI Powered Research' on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

- Prof. Rohit Thapa Assistant Professor, Symbiosis School of Sports Sciences (SSSS) won the Integrative Motion Award, and received a \$35000 grant for research from the D Luca foundation in the US. The De Luca Foundation is spreading our passion for research and innovation across the globe.
- Mr. Prasanna Halbe, Assistant Professor, from Symbiosis Institute of Design (SID) was awarded a fellowship by the Institution of Engineers (India) towards his contribution to the area of Mechanical Engineering and Design.
- Dr. Dharamveer Singh, Assistant Professor at SIG has been awarded National Geospatial Emerging Faculty Award by National Mission on Education, Ministry of Education, \* Government of India at IIT Bombay.

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## **Student Achievements**

Miss Pranjal Priya, Symbiosis Law School (SLS), Pune student of B.B.A. L.L.B. has been announced as the 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up of Miss Universe India 2024.



Miss Pranjal Priya, From SLS, Pune

Aniket Garg, Aniket Singh, Meet Gala, Raghav Mundhra, and Sai Karthick studying at SIBM, Pune (Batch 2023-25) were declared Campus Winners of the CFA Institute Research Challenge 2024. This is a prestigious global competition that tests students' analytical, valuation, report writing and presentation skills in finance.



The student team of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad comprising Rohini Pandey, Kanishka S, Tarini Srinivasan, and Shreya Bose (Batch of 2021-26) won the Surana & Surana National Trial Advocacy Moot Court Competition 2024, organised by School of Excellence in Law, Tamil Nadu, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai.



Tanvi Pimpalkhare, Moumita Halder, and Komal Waghela, M.B.A. (Batch 2023-24) students of Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Nagpur have secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the prestigious People's Premier League hosted by Zunavish Consulting. Their achievement is a testament to their hard work, dedication, and exceptional HR acumen.



Tanvi Pimpalkhare, Moumita Halder, and Komal Waghela with their trophies

Ishant Jain, student of SIBM, Bengaluru, secured first place in ConsultFin'24, a case competition hosted by BITS P KK Birla Goa Campus. He presented innovative strategies to solve real-world business challenges effectively in a dynamic and evolving environment.

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Ishant Jain (Batch 2023-25) First Place: ConsultFin'24

- SCMHRD students Vasu Bihani, Sarthak Khandelwal, Shihas B Mohamed, Chinmay Swain, and Yaganya Thakur, studying M.B.A. (Batch 2023-25) won the Campus Winner (Corporate Competition) title at the CFA Institute Research Challenge.
- Sai Tarun M, and Shefali Kaushik, from M.B.A. (Batch 2023-25) from SCMHRD, won the Campus Winner (Corporate Competition) award at the Xiaomi Summit 6.0.
- Deep Shinde, Piyush Agarwal, Adithya T R, and Trisha Nautiyal, M.B.A. (Batch 2024-26) students from SCMHRD, were declared National Winners (College organized Competition) at the Money Maestro, A Portfolio Management Competition organized by IIM Bangalore.

Sarthak Belekar and Vinit Rathod, students of M.B.A. - Energy & Environment, (Batch 2023-25) from Symbiosis Institute of International Business (SIIB) were declared as National Finalists at the NationQuest 2024 held on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2024. This challenge rigorously tested participants' Knowledge of Indian culture, history, geography, and national significance and Design thinking.



Mr. Vinit Rathod

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Ritika Patnaik, Mrunali Suple, and Krushi Koli M.B.A.- International Business (Batch 2023-25), students of SIIB won the Business Simulation Contest hosted by KSOM, Bhubaneswar on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2024.



Ms. Ritika Patnaik



Ms Krushi Koli



Ms. Mrunali Suple

Tanisha Khera, from Symbiosis Institute of Management Studies (SIMS), M.B.A. (Batch 2023-25) has secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> Position in the prestigious Article Writing Competition "ARTHNEETI" organised by Sydenham Institute of Management Studies, Research and Entrepreneurship Education (SIMSREE), Mumbai.

Abhishek Yadav, Ananya Dimri, and Rohit Gireesh, students of M.B.A. (Batch 2023-25) from SIMS have secured the 2nd position in the prestigious AD-Mad Competition at the Marketing Fest Magnifique, organized by IIM Kozhikode.







Third year students of B.Sc. Mental Health from Symbiosis Institute of Health Sciences (SIHS) embarked on a transformative journey through a three-week internship program. These students had the privilege of interning at some of the most prestigious institutions in the mental health field, including NIMHANS, Yerawada Mental Health Hospital, Cooper Hospital, Child and Adolescent Learning Centre, Neuropsychiatric and Rehabilitation Centre Career Counseling Startups.

Students from SIHS, at the internship program

The exceptional talent from Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Bengaluru has secured the 1<sup>st</sup> position in the Case Study Presentation at the prestigious Young Leaders Summit, hosted by IIM Bangalore. Ashtami Sanjay Bhandari, a student of B.B.A. IT (Batch 2024-28) from Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research (SICSR) secured 94<sup>th</sup> rank in the all India-UAE final stage Olympiad exam organized by LogIQuid.



SCMS, Bengaluru, team with the Director Dr. Aarti Mehta Sharma

Saartha Bhandari (B.B.A.-IT) & Tarun Maheshwari (B.B.A.-IT) from SICSR secured the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in a highly competitive business case study competition hosted by ICFAI Business School (IBS), Pune.

Winner receiving the award



Certificate of Merit

Shrey Arora, M.B.A. (DS & DA) (Batch 2023-25) from SCIT secured 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in the Sci-Trek-Thon Science Hackathon, held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024, during the INVENIO 2024 Science Fest at IISER-Berhampur, Vigyanpuri, Odisha, India.



Kajal More, and Ritika Dhasmana, students of Symbiosis College of Nursing (SCON) secured 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> positions respectively in the state level research quiz organized by SuShodh Educational agency on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024.





Kajal More, and Ritika Dhasmana

SCMC Student Film 'Warli Kala, Aamchi Lipi" has won the 'Special Appreciated Documentary Film' award at the 9th Durgapur International Film Festival. The film showcased a unique village in Palghar District, Rural Maharashtra that has dedicated itself to Warli art.

- Pragya Singh, a student of B.C.A. (Batch 2022-25) SICSR attended a summer exchange program at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.
- Students from Symbiosis Centre for Information Technology (SCIT) Ms. Sharwari Amberkar & Ms. Rushika Iyer, M.B.A. (ITBM) (Batch 2024-26) secured 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up position at Case Competition on Business Values on presented by ESAF Chair for Business on Values at IRMA Anand Gujarat.



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M.Sc. (ART&E) students from SIHS (Batch 2023-25) have successfully secured the position of Trainee Embryologist at NOVA IVF centre, Bangalore & OVABLISS IVF Centre, Pune. Meeksha Mehta, M.B.B.S. student of SMCW received 1<sup>st</sup>Prize for the Poster Presentation at the International CANPATH 2024 Conference on 'Advances In Cancer Diagnosis And Management' organized by Saptagiri Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.



SMCW students Parneeka Sharma, Shambhavi Ojha, Tishina Singh, and S. K. Isha Ahmed have won the National Medical Council's College Competition in the Family Adoption Programme, in collaboration with IAPSM. Parnika Sharma has won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in Collage Competition on 'Family Adoption Program' conducted across India jointly by Under Graduate Medical Education Board (UGMEB), National Medical Commission Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Government of India and IAPSM. Out of 8000 entries evaluated by a jury of about 400 faculty from Community Medicine Departments of different colleges, she has been selected for this award.





Computer Science students Rithwik Satya, Shreeja Mehta, Pranav Naranatt, and Md. Ansari from SIT, Pune, have successfully developed a web application called "HeyChem." This tool leverages speech synthesis to assist users in identifying chemical words. Their innovative project has been awarded copyright protection.

- In a remarkable achievement Sumit Masirkar, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year student at SIT, Nagpur has successfully registered his own private limited company. This milestone highlights Sumit's entrepreneurial spirit and innovative thinking, marking a significant step in his business journey.
- Rutuja Kolekar, student of B. Des. User Experience Design (Batch 2019-23) from Symbiosis Institute of Design (SID) was declared the winner of the D'source DIC-BHU SDGs Design Challenge conducted by IDC School of Design, IIT Bombay in the month of June.
- SID students Kaustubh Sharma, and Priyamvrat Desai, of Graphic Design (Batch 2021-25) have designed an area map for Vimantal Police Station for the smooth functioning of various route arrangements for the VVIP personalities who visited Pune, during the Lok Sabha election. They were recognized and felicitated for their excellent work on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024, by the Vimantal Police Station authorities.
- Symbiosis Institute of Geoinformatics (SIG), student Sreya Biswas, studying M.Sc. Geoinformatics (Batch 2024-26) has won the Gold Medal in SIU Powerlifting 52kg Category Inter Institute championship.

• SIT, Pune 3<sup>rd</sup> year student Sharry Dhiman of B. Tech. (AI & ML) launched his data analytics-based start-up Aurora.

Ashok Swaminathan, Lokesh Nidadavole, Guru Shravan, and Dipesh Menon, B.Tech. CSE students from SIT, Pune, completed a 3-month fellowship at IIT Mandi, working on a project to enhance library services with assistive robots.



Students from SIT, Pune, completed Research Internship at IIt Mandi

Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT) students, Aryan Bachute and Manasi Karmarkar, representing the team "PRAMANA," have achieved a remarkable victory in the INNOSOLVE Hackathon. The competition was hosted by IEEE Vardhaman College of Engineering and supported by the IEEE Education Society YP AdHoc Committee.



contribute to the company.

Swayam Pendgaonkar, SIT, Pune

B.Tech AI&ML student of SIT, Pune Kermi Kotecha, received a travel grant of \$700 USD to attend IEEE summer school 2024, in Srilanka.







Shriyans Sahoo, SIT, Pune



Mitiksha Paliwal, student of Computer Science

Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Pune has

successfully completed a 3-week bootcamp as a

scholar in the Women Engineer program by Talent Sprint

Mitiksha Paliwal, from SIT, Pune

Swayam Pendgaonkar, student of B.Tech. (CS) (Batch 2021-25), from SIT, Pune got selected as an intern and then to the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of a Canadian startup called Project Human City (PHC). During his student exchange program (GIP) in Germany he worked tirelessly to contribute to the company.

The first IEEE Engineering Education Students & Young Professional Congress was successfully conducted at SIT, Pune. A large number of students from across the country including students from IITs participated in the 3-day congress. The event featured a keynote address by Murari Ramuka from # Google and was graced by Dr. Shashikant Patil, Vice Chair from IEEE Mumbai section.





Mr. Vatsel Gupta, MBA (2023-25) student at SIBM Noida, secured First Prize at the National Practicum Competition titled Showcasing Research and Practical Insights from Summer Internship Project, organized by Christ University (Deemed to be University) Delhi, NCR Campus on September 18, 2024.

Kunal Tanwar from SIG studying M.Sc Geoinformatics (Batch 2023-25), has been selected as one of the top 10 winners of the Esri India Masters' Scholarships in GIS 2024.



Pooja Rumale, a recent graduate of Graphic Design from Symbiosis Institute of Design (SID) has been recognized as one of India's Best Design Students 2024 at the prestigious India's Best Design Awards Ceremony on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.



### **Extra-curricular Activity**

Ms. Sharayu Pase & Ms. Sargam Pethe, from Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Nagpur won the 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Blood donation Poster making Competition organised by SIU on the occasion of Founder's Day.



Students from SCMS , Nagpur, receiving the Award

Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies and Research (SICSR) students were declared as runners up at Inter Institute Group Dance Competition. They presented a choreography on Draupadi Cheer Haran from the holy Mahabharata.



Winners of Dance Competition

SCMS, Bengaluru team 'MIGHTY WARRIORS' won the trophy in the Symbash Cricket League on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2024, organised for all the Constituents across all the campuses of SIU. SIG student Vikrant Pendse, from M.Tech. (Geoinformatics and Satellite Technology) (Batch 2023-25) has won the Photography competition held across all SIU campuses.

SSLA clinched gold in both the men's and women's categories at the Inter Institute Squash Tournament. The victorious athletes were Joe G. for the men's team and Reiva Nimbalkar, for the women's team.



B.Tech. (AI & ML) Student of SIT, Pune Aditya Ramarame, secured a Gold Medal in Taekwondo in SIU Tournament 2024



SIG student Sreya Biswas M.Sc Geoinformatics (Batch 2024-26) has won a Gold Medal in SIU Powerlifting 52kg Category inter institute championship.



Ashutosh Waghmare, student of SIDTM won the Photography competition under the student Category for Lavale Hilltop campus. The competition was organized by SIU across all the campuses.







Om Bhardwaj 1<sup>st</sup> year student of Mechanical Engineering studying at SIT, Pune has won the Inter-Institute Taekwondo Competition!



SSBF student Vianca Bopanna, (Batch 2023-2025) won the best player award in the women's category in September 2024 in the SIU Inter-Institute Handball Tournament. SSBF Girls Handball Team emerged as the 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in the SIU Inter-Institute Handball Tournament- September 2024.





- Arnav Deshpande, B.B.A. (IT) (Batch 2024-28) student from SICSR won the Photography Competition titled 'Nature in Focus Contest' organized by Sanctuary Asia Magazine 2023'.
- Mayank Ranade, 3<sup>rd</sup> year student of B.Tech. Robotics and Automation, SIT, Pune received 1<sup>st</sup> Rank in Inter Institute Chess Competition
- Mariam Thomas, 3<sup>rd</sup> year student of B.Tech. (Robotics & Automation) from SIT, Pune received 1<sup>st</sup> Rank in weightlifting in Inter Institute competition.

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# **Quality Initiatives**

Key initiatives and outcomes undertaken by Quality Management & Benchmarking (QMB), Department for the second quarter of 2024-25

By collaborating with various stakeholders and incorporating both internal expertise and external perspectives, QMB aligns SIU's standards with national and international benchmarks.

'प्रकर्ष (Prakarsh) QMB, Knowledge Series: During this quarter (July to September), 2 knowledge series of 'प्रकर्ष were conducted by QMB. Session on "Fostering Lifelong Connections: Best Practices in Alumni Engagement"

On 7<sup>th</sup> August 2024, Dr. Neelesh Kumbhojkar, Director, Symbiosis Centre for Alumni Engagement (SCAE), Pune delivered an insightful presentation on the development and nurturing of robust alumni relationships for mutual advancement. Leveraging his extensive expertise in alumni engagement, Dr. Kumbhojkar highlighted practical insights and effective practices to create lasting and impactful connections within their alumni network. Over 80 participants across SIU participated the session on the best practices for alumni engagement.





Session on "Internationalization: The Only Way Forward "On 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024, Dr. Anita Patankar, Director of the Symbiosis Centre for International Education (SCIE), at SIU, discussed the critical importance of internationalization for educational institutions. She shared valuable insights on the role of SCIE challenges, opportunities for global collaboration, expanding research opportunities, and improving the overall academic experience for both students and faculty. The session saw the participation of more than 52<sup>nd</sup> members during this session.

**Samvaad QMB**: Samvaad QMB, provides a platform for dialogue on institutional quality and enhances understanding of SIU's commitment to excellence by engaging thought leaders and experts. It contributes to fostering a culture of quality-driven initiatives at SIU.

5 episodes were conducted during July to September 2024, each delving into crucial quality aspects of education and beyond.

**Episode 1: "University of Tomorrow"** with Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman, discussing the future of higher education and the evolving role of universities in society.

**Episode 2: "Quality in Healthcare Education"** with Dr. Rajiv Yeravdekar, exploring standards and innovations in healthcare education.

**Episode 3: "Internationalisation"** with Dr. Anita Patankar, emphasizing the significance of global engagement in higher education.

**Episode 4: "Emotional Wellbeing"** with Dr. Girija Mahale, highlighting the importance of mental health and wellbeing in academic institutions.

**Episode 5: "Quality in Research and Publication"** with Dr. Bhushan Borotikar, focusing on maintaining quality in academic research and publishing.





Samvaad QMB, Quality in Healthcare Education, with Dr. Rajiv Yeravdekar



Samvaad QMB, University of Tomorrow, with Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman



Samvaad QMB, Internationalisation with Dr. Anita Patankar



Samvaad QMB, Quality in research and publication with Dr. Bhushan Boratikar

# **Faculty Development Programs**

Symbiosis Teaching Learning Resource Centre (STLRC) has conducted 21 FDPs in the month of July, August and September 2024. Faculty Development Program on TAAL - 'Techno- pedagogy and Andragogy for Active Learning' organised by Maharashtra State Faculty Development Academy (MSFDA) from July 2024 from 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>.



FDP on Understanding Indian Knowledge System (19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024) at Sandipani



MSFDA Batch 10: 6 days (Residential) at Symbiosis International (Deemed University)

# Human Resource Initiatives

L&D (Learning and Development) section - Human Resource (HR) Department provides training and awareness sessions in key areas which include technical skills, soft skills, compliance, personal development and many more. This empowers employees to enhance skills, boost morale, improve performance, and adapt to change leading to a more successful and competitive organization.

Title / Topic covered	Resource Person, title and the Firm name
Ace Your Promotion Interview: Guidance from Experts	Dr. Sameer Pingle, Director and Associate Professor , SCMS, Nagpur
Harnessing Data Mastery: Elevate Workplace Efficiency with Google Forms & Sheets	Ms. Ashwini Kothari
Stress Less, Live More: A Wellness Webinar	Dr. Girija Mahale, Head - SCEW
Library Orientation	L&D Central HR
Developing Core Competencies for the Modern Workplace	Mr. Sravan Medapati – Director, L&D, Capgemini Technology Services
Be Cyber Smart: Essential Cybersecurity Awareness for All	Dr. Dhanya Pramod - Director, SCIT
"Warden Wisdom: Hostel Wardens' Orientation"	Col.G S. Radkar - Campus Admin, Viman Nagar, Campus

#### L&D – Training Sessions conducted in July, August & September 2024

#### Snapshots of the sessions :



Ace Your Promotion Interview: Guidance from Experts : Dr. Sameer Pingle, Director and Associate Professor, SCMS, Nagpur – 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2024

Developing Core Competencies for the Modern Workplace : Mr. Sravan Medapati – Director, L&D, Capgemini Technology Services – 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024



Be Cyber Smart: Essential Cybersecurity Awareness for All by Dr. Dhanya Pramod - Director, SCIT - 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024





Stress Less, Live More: A Wellness Webinar : Dr. Girija Mahale, Head – SCEW – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024



Symbiosis Centre for Research and Innovation is the dedicated department of SIU for promoting and facilitating research among students and faculty. Snapshot of the Research related activities in the third quarter of the year 2024-25

Faculty of Law	5
Faculty of Management	16
Faculty of Computer Studies	3
Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences	4
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences	5
Faculty of Engineering	19

#### Ph.D. Awardees-2024

#### Details of the Research Projects Sanctioned in the period July 2024 to September 2024

Period of Project Awarded	No. of Projects		Total No. of Projects	
Awarded	Government	Non - Government (International)	Non-Government (National)	Sanctioned
July to September 2024	4	1	1	6

#### Details of Research Publications in period July 2024 to September 2024

Scopus/WoS Publications	852
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#### Details of Patents Published in period July 2024 to September 2024

Patents Published	01
Patents Granted	02
Copyright Registered	01



## MoUs

#### National Agreements signed with the following Institutions/ Centres/ Industries:

- ▶ Voluntas Advisory India Pvt Ltd
- Total Urocare LLP
- ▶ Feathers CSI Foundation
- Blackbucks Education Private Limited
- Mindful Science Centre
- Altair Engineering India Pvt Ltd
- ▶ Fores Elastomech India Pvt Ltd
- National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS)
- Builders Association of India (BAI)
- Entuple Tech. Pvt. Ltd.
- Maven Tech
- Hawk Eye Securities and Facilities Pvt. Ltd.
- International Institute of Migration and Development (IIMAD)
- National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)
- AIT Global India Pvt. Ltd.
- ▶ AIC STPINEXT INITIATIVES
- ARAI Advance Mobility Transformation & Innovation Foundation (AMTIF)
- Dendrite.ai LLC
- Assetgro Fintech Private Limited (StockGro)



MoU signing with Blackbucks Education Private Limited



MoU signing with ARAI - Advance Mobility Transformation & Innovation Foundation (AMTIF)

#### National Agreements signed with the following Institutions/ Centres/ Industries:

- The International Federation of Television Archives / Fédération Internationale des Archives de Télévision, (FIAT/IFTA)
- Clarivate Analytics (India Pvt. Ltd (Web of Science)
- Sage Publications for Media
- Cholamandalam Ms Heath Insurance Limited Agreement
- QuestionPro
- District Skill Development Employment and Entrepreneurship Guidance Centre
- Elsevier B.V. (SciVal)
- Wipro Limited
- Databrary
- AIT Global India Pvt. Ltd.
- Maritime & Commercial Channel Package

#### International collaborations signed with the following Universities

- Durham University, UK
- Nottingham Trent University, UK
- University of Technology and Applied Sciences in the Sultanate of Oman, Oman
- RUDN MoU(renewal)



MoU signing with Dendrite.ai LLC

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## Internationalisation

Dr. Yvonne Reinwald, Senior Lecturer, Department of Engineering, School of Science and Technology, Nottingham Trent University (NTU), UK visited Symbiosis School of Biological Sciences (SSBS), SIU to explore further avenues in terms of collaborations and partnerships between the two Universities.





A delegation consisting of Dr. Anna Zoellner, Associate Professor in Media Industries, Dr. Andrea Thoma, Director of International Activities, Lecturer of Art and Design and Ms. Shweta Dutt, Country Advisor visited SCIE to explore the collaborative opportunities at Symbiosis Institute of Media and Communication (SIMC) & Symbiosis Institute of Design (SID). Professor Amy Richards, Senior Lecturer, Leeds Beckett University visited Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Noida.



Professor Raman Randhawa, Senior Vice Dean for Academic Programs and Professor of Data Sciences and Operations - Marshall School of Business, University of Southern California visited SIU to discuss collaborative program opportunities in Business Analytics, Finance, Supply Chain, Entrepreneurship and Marketing with Dr. Anupama Kotur, Faculty In-charge - Academic Collaborations, SCIE.





Symbiosis Centre for International Education (SCIE) hosted a function with Leeds Beckett University (LBU) to acknowledge funds raised by LBU students after the Study India Program. The funds were used to provide sports equipment and 114 benches to schools in Lavale village. The handover was done by Prof. (Dr.) S.B. Mujumdar, Chancellor of SIU, with LBU faculty and students attending online.

A delegation from Deakin University, including Prof. Bas Baskaran and other key members, visited Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Pune to discuss research collaborations and dual degree programs with Dr. Ketan Kotecha, Dr. Anupama Kotur, and other faculty members.



Professor Nidhi Piplani Kapur, mentor as part of the WICCI Mentorship programme with other fellow colleagues and mentees. 4 students of SIU are mentees as part of this programme



Symbiosis Centre for International Education (SCIE) conducted an Orientation program for Incoming Exchange students from France and the Netherlands.

SCIE, facilitated a virtual Study India program for total 15 students and faculty members belonging to the nursing fraternity from Chiba University, Himeji University, Tenshi University and St. Lukes (Seiroka University), Japan. Sessions were conducted by SCON, faculty members while SCON students participated as buddies.

SCIE conducted a Study India Program for 103 students and 5 faculty members from the nursing stream in association with SCON. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive batch received from Josai International University (JIU), Japan.

10 girls from St. Lukes (Seiroka University), Japan visited SIU for the Nursing focused Study India Program.







#### **International Student Relations And Events:**

International Students' Day was celebrated on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024, in honor of the birthday of our esteemed founder and chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) S.B. Mujumdar. The day featured events like a fashion show, cultural dance competition, and a food festival to mark the occasion.





SCIE conducted an 'Orientation Program' for international students joining Symbiosis International (Deemed University) (SIU) for undergraduate courses. The program was conducted to familiarize students with Symbiosis Centre for International Education and help them settle into their new environment at the university.

**Visit of The Search Committee members from Rotary International :** The Search Committee members were with us to inspect the university facilities at the Lavale campus and have discussions regarding the application to set up a Rotary Peace Centre at SIU in 2027. The delegation included the Rotary members - Marty Helman, Meredith Burlew, Laura Descher. The meeting was attended by the Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) S. B. Mujumdar and Vice Chancellor Dr. Ramakrishnan Raman of SIU, all the Directors and Registrar along with distinguished professors.



#### 21<sup>st</sup> Convocation of SIU

The 21<sup>st</sup> Convocation of Symbiosis International (Deemed University) was held on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2024 at the University hill top campus, Lavale, Pune. Smt. Droupadi Murmu, Hon'ble President of India, was the Chief Guest. Shri Chandrakant Patil, Hon'ble Minister of Higher & Technical Education of Maharashtra was a special invitee. Hon'ble Chancellor, SIU, Dr. S.B. Mujumdar presided over and conferred Ph.D. degrees, Postgraduate, Undergraduate degrees, and diplomas on 9059 successful students across the eight faculties.

The Prof. S.B. Mujumdar Award for the Outstanding Foreign Student of the Year 2024 was given to Mr. Delight Peters of Nigeria **a former student** of B. Sc. (Culinary Arts) of Symbiosis School of Culinary Arts and Nutritional Sciences (SSCANS) and **currently pursuing** M.B.A. (Innovation and Entrepreneurship) from Symbiosis Institute of Business Management, Pune.



#### Gold Medals were awarded to the following Meritorious and Deserving students

Sr. No.	Type of Award	Details of the Student
1	Chancellor's Gold Medal for Best Outgoing Indian Student in Post Graduate Programme	Patil Yashraj Sandeep, M. Tech. (ED) SIT, Pune
2	Chancellor's Gold Medal for Best Outgoing Indian Student in Under Graduate Programme	Charu Sharma, B.A. (MC) SCMC, Pune
3	Chancellor's Gold Medal for Best Outgoing International Student in Post Graduate Programme	Suruchi Gupta, M.B.A. SCMHRD, Pune
4	Chancellor's Gold Medal for Best Outgoing International Student in Under Graduate Programme	Prarthana Udaya, B.B.A. (IT) SICSR, Pune
5	Late Jayatee Deshmukh, award for the Best Outgoing Girl Student	Shreya G, B.A. LL. B. SLS, Nagpur
6	Late Satpal P. Malhotra Gold Medal of Excellence in Business Management by Weikfield Foundation	Kuriakose M Renji, M.B.A. (B.A.) SCMHRD, Pune
7	Late Chetan Dattaji Gaikwad Gold Medal to the topper in the Bachelor of Technology (Civil Engineering) Programme in SIT, Pune	Sweta Kumari Thakur, B. Tech. (CE) SIT, Pune
8	Late Shri Dajikaka Gadgil Gold Medal to the topper in M.B.A. (IB) Programme in SIIB, Pune	Misbah Hayat, M.B.A. (IB) SIIB, Pune
9	Lt. Gen. (Dr.) M. A. Tutakne (Retd.) Gold Medal for the 'Best Outgoing Under Graduate Student'	Anushka Jagdish Waghmare, B.A. (Liberal Arts) Honours SSLA, Pune
10	Late Shri Prabhakar Trimbak Sonwaney Gold Medal to Girl Topper in M.B.A. with Operations/ Supply Chain Management as specialization	Ashveen Kaur Anand, M.B.A. (Operations Management) SIOM, Nashik
11	Late Ms. Akanksha Tiwari Gold Medal to the graduating girl student securing the highest CGPA in B.Tech. (E&TCE), SIT, Pune	Pandit Anoushka Manish, B. Tech. (E&TCE) SIT, Pune
12	Nani A. Palkhivala Memorial Trust Gold Medal to the topper in LL. M. Programme	Jannawar Hritika Prashant, LL.M. SLS, Pune

### **Events at SIU Dubai**



Prof. Dr. S. B. Mujumdar, the visionary founder of Symbiosis and Chancellor of SIU delivered an inspiring address at SIU, Dubai. His words guided the future of Symbiosis Dubai.



Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Pro Chancellor, SIU visited the SIU, Dubai campus. Her presence and inspiring words left an indelible mark on the inaugural batch of students.



Symbiosis Dubai hosted a Reel-Making Workshop using AI tools on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2024. They invited a special guest Shruti Srivastava, a Dubai influencer and member of digital marketing team at filmfareme



Symbiosis marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter at Symbiosis Dubai - the launch of the "SYMBI Inspire Series".



Online Webinar on Artificial Intelligence in the Corporate World conducted on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024.



First MBA batch kicked off their journey with an inspiring experience at the Dubai AI and Web 3 Festival during their orientation week.

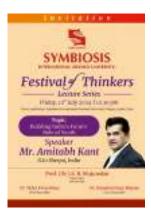


An interactive session for BA in Mass Communications Programme in the media industry on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July, to gain insights and set the foundation for a successful career in media and communications.



On-Campus Open Day on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2024 to gain detailed insights into UG & PG programmes.

## **Events at SIU India**



#### International (Deemed University) as a part of the Festival of Thinkers series :

Mr. Amitabh Kant, G20 Sherpa, India addressed the staff and students of Symbiosis International (Deemed University) at the Festival of Thinkers Lecture Series held on 12th July 2024 at Lavale, Pune campus. Mr. Amitabh Kant discussed India's high growth rate and challenges.

Festival of Thinkers Lecture series at Lavale Campus

**Aurobindo International Youth Conference:** The Sri Aurobindo International Youth Conference, Pune Chapter, was held on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024, at Symbiosis Law School (SLS), Pune in collaboration with the Auroville Society. The conference focused on Sri Aurobindo's life, philosophy, and contributions to politics, spirituality, and education, emphasizing his legacy for youth and global consciousness.



Aurobindo International Youth Conference at SLS Pune



Budget Symposium 2024 at SIBM Nagpur

**Budget Symposium 2024:** On 6<sup>th</sup>August 2024, SIBM, Nagpur hosted "Budget Symposium 2024," offering students a detailed look at the 2024-25 annual budget. The event featured presentations from experts Dr. Tejinder Singh Rawal, CA Premlata Saboo, and CA Rishi Surana, who analyzed economic policies, financial projections, and key allocations, providing valuable insights into the budget's impact on the economy and various sectors.

**Ice-Breakers 5.0: 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024:** The Sports Committee of Symbiosis School of Banking and Finance, (SSBF) organised the fun event – Ice Breakers on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The events' main intention was to help the junior and the senior batch interact with each other and to indeed break the ice between them and feel more relaxed with each other.



Ice-Breakers Event by SSBF



Mr. Setu Shah delivering the keynote speech

**HR Summit 2024**: HR Summit 2024, the 16<sup>th</sup> edition themed "HR Genesis: From Inception Beyond Infinity," was a key event exploring transformative ideas that have shaped work culture over the past two decades. The 2 day conference was held on 9<sup>th</sup> &10<sup>th</sup> August 2024, by SIOM, Nashik featuring thought-provoking insights, innovative discussions, and dynamic exchanges.

**Leadership Talk Series :** The Placement Cell at Symbiosis Institute of Management Studies (SIMS) invited Mr. Sandeep Choudhari, Partner at Infosys Consulting to deliver a Leadership talk on "Digital Transformation in Business and the Role of L&D" to the M.B.A. (Batch of 2024-26).

Leadership talk Series







**Roobaroo :** 15 Year Reunion of batches of 2007-09 and 2008-10 of SIBM Pune was held on 31<sup>st</sup>August 2024 at Sandipani Hometel and Leadership Development Centre

Roobaroo : 15<sup>th</sup> Year Reunion of batches of SIBM, Pune

**Anveshan 2024**: The Research Committee of Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies (SCMS), Bengaluru organised Anveshan 2024. With fiery debates on the Budget 2024, participants showcased unmatched zeal and insight, discussing its impact on our nation's future on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024.



Anveshan 2024, SCMS, Bengaluru



RBI 90 Quiz – Symposia

**RBI 90 Quiz – Symposia:** To celebrate the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), a nationwide quiz was organized for undergraduate students of SCMS, Pune. Aneesh, Agastya, Arsh, and Hrishikesh, members of Symposia, participated in this event and were assessed on their general, historical, financial, and sports knowledge.

**Hurukuro Lecture Series:** Placement Cell of SICSR organized an Informative session on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024, for M.B.A. (Information Technology), M.B.A. (Digital Transformation) and M.Sc. (Computer Applications) students on the topic "Gear Up for Success: Campus Placements Prep" by, Mr. Dipal Modi, esteemed alumnus and a key member of Lentra Company.



Hurukuro lecture series



**Session on "Practicality of AI"**: SICSR Placement Cell hosted Mr. Probodh Chiplunkar, Founder & CEO of ITHENA Ltd, and Ms. Shirsa Bose, Marketing Strategist for an engaging session on "Practicality of AI" on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

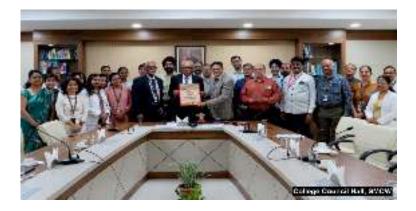
Pre-Placement Talk by ITHENA Ltd at (SICSR)

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Panel Discussion in Corporate Charcha 2024

**Induction and Orientation for the B.Sc. (Sports and Exercise Science):** The induction and orientation program for the B.Sc. Sports and Exercise Science degree (Batch 2024-28) at Symbiosis School of Sports Sciences (SSSS), concluded on the 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The event aimed to introduce students to the course structure, faculty, facilities, and resources available to support their academic journey.



**IPHA QUIZ Competition:** The Department of Community Medicine, SMCW, conducted Maharashtra State Final Round Inter Medical College Public Health Quiz Competition 2024 for Undergraduate students (Phase III, Part I) under the aegis of Indian Public Health Association, Maharashtra on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024. Winning Team received the Dr. Jal Mehta Rolling Trophy with cash prizes. **Corporate Charcha 2024:** The Guest Lecture Committee M.B.A. (ITBM) of SCIT, every year organizes 'Corporate Charcha' -a Panel Discussion Initiative which aims to stimulate conversations between experts on topics relevant to the industry. This year the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of "Corporate Charcha" was organised on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The theme for this year was 'Vault Venture': Safeguarding the Future, One Venture at a Time.



Guests being Felicitated at the Induction

**Fostering Global Collaboration: Dr. Yousif's Visit to Symbiosis Medical College for Women:** Symbiosis Medical College for Women (SMCW), recently hosted Dr. Yousif from Dubai Medical College for Girls (DMCG), on 1<sup>st</sup>July 2024, marking a pivotal moment in our partnership.





**SSLA, moves to a New Campus:** 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024, marked a significant milestone for SSLA, as they moved to a new seven-floor building at the Symbiosis Viman Nagar Campus. The SSLA, Events team organized a warm and intimate welcome event to celebrate and greet students, staff, and faculty in their new home.

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**IEEE Engineering Education Students & Young Professional Congress :** The first IEEE Engineering Education Students & Young Professional Congress was successfully conducted at SIT, Pune. A large number of students from across the country including students from IITs participated in the 3-day congress. The event featured a keynote address by Murari Ramuka from hashtag#Google and was graced by Dr. Shashikant Patil, Vice Chair from IEEE Mumbai section.



SIT, Pune team

**Crash Analysis of Automobiles Session**: A session on Crash Analysis of Automobiles was conducted by Mr. Gaurav Adke, General Manager, Michillin Tyres for the (1<sup>st</sup> Year) students of M.Tech. Automotive Technology, Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Pune,, Mr. Gaurav

Adke, has completed his M.Tech. at IIT Bombay.



Crash Analysis of Automobiles Session at SIT Pune

**SCMC, Perspectives:** SCMC, hosted its benchmark lecture series 'SCMC, Perspectives', in the presence of Professor Krishnamurthy Sriramesh, a distinguished luminary in public relations from the University of Colorado, Boulder. He addressed the secrets to successful empirical research and publishing and, the scope of research in Public Relations, Corporate Communication, Communication Management, and Crisis Communication.





AICTE Smart India Internal Hackathon, SIT, Nagpur

**AICTE Smart India Internal Hackathon:** Symbiosis Institute of Technology (SIT), Nagpur, hosted the Smart India Internal Hackathon, featuring 95 dynamic teams with ground breaking ideas. Congratulations to the top 36 teams who impressed our esteemed judges with their standout projects.

**Lakshya 2024 :** SID's annual Sketch-a-Thon took place as a 24 hours offline event spanning from 10:00 am on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024 to 10:00 am on the following day, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024. Lakshya 2024 featured a diverse range of participants including artists, designers, professionals and students who participated in multiple sessions focused on the art of manual sketching.





Series of Sessions from (SSODL)

**Series of Sessions on Career Development:** Introduction to Group Discussions (GD) and Interview Processes. Symbiosis School For Online and Digital Learning (SSODL) conducted an orientation session and an open house with students of all batches and programmes to address their queries and grievances. The student induction programme was conducted online with the entire community of July 2024, batch of M.B.A. B.B.A. M.Sc. Data Science, M.Sc. Computer Application, M.Sc. & B.Sc. Economics & M.A. Mass Communication.

**Analytics in Financial Services at SSODL:** Gaurav Chaturvedi, Senior Vice President, DBS Bank, Singapore conducted a session on Analytics in Financial Services. The students got an insight from an industry expert, about the scope and perspective of business analytics in financial services. More than 500 students benefitted from the session.





The Ultimate Bizz Mind event at SIIB

**The Ultimate Bizz Mind :** In the spirit of innovation and ambition, the E-Cell at SIIB organized an event "The Ultimate Bizz Mind", for Batch 2024-26 on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024. This vibrant platform served as a hub for creativity, igniting and fueling the entrepreneurial spirit. Participants enthusiastically engaged in the competition, exploring the intricate process of transforming ideas into impactful ventures.

**Campus Phenology Network:** Students of the Biodiversity Club participated in the Campus Phenology Network, a nationwide initiative by SEASONWATCH, in which individual trees are monitored for their flowering and fruiting patterns all throughout the year. Each student has been monitoring at least 5<sup>th</sup> trees on campus since the beginning of the program in April 2024.



A flowering Gulmohar Tree

**Nature Trails:** The Symbiosis Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability (SCCCS) conducted various nature trails for the students of SSIS, SIHS, SSBS, and SIT as a part of the campus biodiversity club. About 50+ species of birds were recorded this season, and species such as the Vigor's Sunbird, Cinnamon Bittern and Brahminy Kite were recorded in our campus for the first time ever.



Balsam plant at the wetlands on Lavale campuse fresh shoots



Snail feeding on the fresh shoots



Brown Rock Chat, a nesting species in our region



Students during the field visit

### **Glimpses of events**



SAMAAGAM'24: Annual alumni reunion of SIBM, Bengaluru bringing together graduates across all batches.



The Investiture Ceremony for the Student Advisory Board (SAB) 2024-25 of Symbiosis Law School, Pune took place on 18<sup>th</sup> September 2024



Propelx conducted by iSMART council on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024 by SIBM Pune



A Mock stock trading competition at SCMS, Bengaluru on 27th August 2024



SIBM Bengaluru celebrated the essence of "Ekatvam" at Utopia'24 on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024

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Symbiscope 2024: SUHRC, and SMCW hosted the inaugural event of Symbiscope 2024, a series of workshops



Alchemy 2024: The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Management Conclave of SIBM, Bengaluru, was held on 13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Themed "Envisioning India: Shaping the Companies of Tomorrow".



Encore South 2024: Alumni Meet of SIBM, Pune, was held at Bengaluru on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024.



Innovation Genesis : The event enhanced problemsolving skills and tech vocabulary with interactive activities at SIT, Nagpur



iConclave (Engaging Minds | Empowering success) was organized by Innovation Council Team at SIBM, Pune on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

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Moot Orientation Program for Batch 2024 at SLS, Hyderabad



SSBF hosted Ethicon 2024, organized by the Corporate Interface Team on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024



Aarohan: Conference by SGC on  $13^{th}$  August 2024



TEDx SCMS, Pune



Cult Nights 2024-25: A Celebration of Culture and Creativity at SCMS, Pune



Endoscopic Spine Workshop by SUHRC



FOSSHack Pune 2024 : SIT, Pune hosted the event which provided a platform for students to innovate and showcase their skills



The Department of AI and Machine Learning, SIT, Pune successfully hosted the Generative AI Meetup on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.



THE BIG BAD BULLS: Equity Research Cell of SSBF hosted a thrilling live trading event on 9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024



Visit of The Directorate General of Armed Forces Medical Services, Lt. Gen. Daljit Singh, AVSM, VSM to SMCW and SUHRC on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024

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SICSR, conducted Internal Hackathon Round for SIH-2024 held from 30th & 31st August 2024, in a hybrid mode.



SproutIT'24: SCIT's Flagship Entrepreneurship Event with Mr. Roshaan V Mishra as the keynote speaker

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Leadership Talk with Gartner at Symbiosis Institute of Management Studies (SIMS), Pune, (Batches 2010-14) of SIBM, Bengaluru



Department of Robotics & Automation, SIT, Pune, conducted 6 -day training program on Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR) technology



Symposium 2024: "Innovations in Financial Planning Services: Trends and Their Implications" at SSBF on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024



Students of SIHS attended an extensive experiential learning in the field of Clinical embryology at Solo clinic by expert Dr. Rajendra Shitole



SIMS, Pune hosted "Market Beat 2024" with a meme-themed carnival on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2024



The National Seminar at SCIT to explore IT and related industries



Lean Six Sigma training by Grant Thornton at SIBM, Noida



Dr Rajiv Yeravdekar, Provost-FoMHS visited Hull Institute of Learning and Simulation (HILS) to explore possible collaborations in Healthcare Simulation.



Induction of XLVI Batch of PGDEMS Programme at SCHS Pune

# Social Initiatives

'Swachata Pakhwada' Cleanliness Drive : Faculty, Students, and staff at all the Institutes across all the campuses participated in the 'Swachata Pakhwada'. They conducted cleanliness drives in and around their campuses.



SSBF



SIT, Nagpur

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SCMS, Pune



Anti-Ragging Awareness Session: 12th August, 2024: Symbiosis School of Banking and Finance (SSBF) organized an impactful Anti-Ragging Awareness Session, reaffirming our unwavering commitment to maintaining a safe and inclusive campus environment. This session emphasized on the importance of respect, inclusivity, and a zero-tolerance approach towards harassment. Together, we strive to create a community where every student feels secure, valued, and supported.

Cloth donation drive conducted by SIOM : Spandan, the CSR wing of Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management (SIOM), Nashik organized a cloth donation drive in collaboration with the National Association for the Blind (NAB), Nashik. This initiative aimed to provide essential clothing and other accessories to needy children. The collected items were donated on the 9<sup>th</sup> of July, to NAB, our partner.



#### Cloth donation drive conducted by SIOM



World Vitiligo Day: On the occasion of World Vitiligo Day, a patient awareness program had been organized by the Departments of Dermatology Venereology & Leprosy on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2024, at Symbiosis Medical College for Women, SIU, Pune. The event had a huge success in creating awareness in public about vitiligo and addressed common myths, disbeliefs, fears and helped them in understanding nature of the disease.

Awareness Session on Health Promotion Activities: SCOPE has implemented health education activities to increase health awareness in the areas of nutrition, maternal and child health, infectious diseases, non-communicable diseases, vector-borne diseases, alcohol and tobacco deaddiction, deworming, and organ donation, etc.



Medical Officer with Nurses and MSW's conduction Awareness Sessions

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**Pouring Clarity:** Catching up on Alcohol Awareness - A webinar was conducted by Symbiosis Centre for Emotional Wellbeing (SCEW) on the 5<sup>th</sup> of July 2024, observing alcohol awareness week which delved into topics such as alcohol harm, signs of misuse and distinguishing between moderate and harmful alcohol use.

Webinar conducted by SCEW



**Village Health and Nutrition Day :** Village Health and Nutrition Days (VHND) are carried out in the villages of Mulshi block every month by Govt. health functionaries and SCOPE. All eligible children and ANCs are given vaccines against preventable diseases. ANCs and PNCs learn about concerned preventive and promotive aspects of healthcare along with the importance

of Breastfeeding and Vaccination for expecting child.



SCOPE, Nurse participation in VHND Session

**Community Camps :** The health care unit organizes onsite general health check-up camps at identified sites (brick kilns, construction sites). The identified high-risk cases are referred to Symbiosis University Hospital and Research Centre (SUHRC), for further investigations and treatment which is free of charge to the patients.

#### Health Check Ups





**Cervical Cancer Awareness and Menstrual Hygiene:** The Social Club of SIT, Nagpur under the guidance of Dr. Parul Saoji, successfully organized an impactful event focusing on cervical cancer awareness and menstrual hygiene. The event brought together young women from our college, where expert speakers shared invaluable insights on the prevention, early detection, and overall health topics related to cervical cancer and menstrual hygiene.

**Donation of Sports Material and Furniture to Village Schools** (30th July 2024). Under the Leeds Beckett University and SIU collaborations the students of Leeds Beckett University raised funds. These funds were used to donate sports equipment to 7 local schools in Lavale, Pune.



Tree Plantation Drives: Tree Plantation was conducted across institutes of SIU



At SCSD on 31st July 2024



At SCIT on  $24^{\text{th}}$  August, 2024



Symbriksha at SIBM, Bengaluru on 31st July 2024



Indian Organ Donation Day - Awareness Activity by SUHRC



Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan Pledge against Drug Abuse at SIDTM



The TechCamp 2024 - "Re-Designing Sustainable Urban Waste Management by SCWRM

#### Blood Donation Drive 2024 : A Blood Donation Drive was conducted across campuses by SCHC, SMCW and SUHRC

Blood Donation Drive, Lavale Campus







Nagpur Campus

SYMBIOSIS CENTRE OF HEALTH CARE



Lavale Campus



Hyderabad Campus



Nashik Campus



# Celebrations

**Independence Day :** The Independence Day celebrations started on 1<sup>st</sup> of August with great enthusiasm across all the campuses of the University. Pre-Fitness for Freedom Run was conducted from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of August at the respective campuses. On 14<sup>th</sup> August all the Constituents hoisted the National Flag and celebrated "Har Ghar Tiranga", an initiative of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modiji. A leadership walk was conducted at the SIU, Lavale campus followed by Fitness for Freedom Run for all the staff and students of SIU. On 15<sup>th</sup> August, Hon'ble Chancellor, Prof. Dr. S.B. Mujumdar unfurled the National Flag at SIU, Lavale campus, and the Hon'ble Pro Chancellor, Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar unfurled the National flag at the Senapati Bapat Road campus. At all the other campuses the Directors unfurled the National Flag. This was accompanied with powerful performances by students' clubs-Raag, Drishyam, and iBeats, evoking deep feelings of patriotism.

### Glimpses



SIU, Lavale campus



Leadership Walk Lavale Campus



SLS, Pune



Fitness for Freedom Run SIBM, Bengaluru

### National and International Days



#### The Librarian Day at SIOM



World Physiotherapy Day by the Physiotherapy Department of SMCW and SUHRC



International Youth Day at SSBF

Teacher's Day

at SMCW & SUHRC



International Literacy Day at SSBF





World Entrepreneurs' Day at SIDTM



National Remote Sensing Day at SIG

### **Festivals Celebrations**



Ganesh Festival at SCMS, Pune



Armaadham '24 : Onam celebration at SSLA



Janmashtami Celebration at SLS, Pune



Onam celebration at SLS Hyderabad

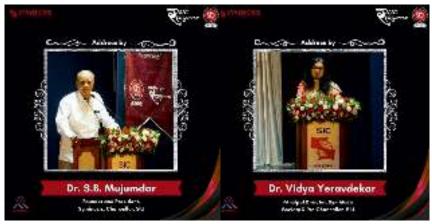
## **Foundation Days Celebrations**



32<sup>nd</sup> Foundation Day of SIIB



14th Foundation Day of SSBF



Silver Jubilee Celebration of SCIT



6<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day Celebration of SSODL



Common Induction and Foundation Day at SSE



5 August and and

39th Foundation Day of SICSR

## **Alumni Spotlights**

**Training Program on Alumni Engagement Development:** Symbiosis Centre for Alumni Engagement (SCAE) in collaboration with STLRC, organized a Training Program for Alumni Engagement Development for the faculties from Symbiosis and constituents (SIU, SCAC, and Schools) on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024, at Sandipani Training Hall, Lavale Campus. The sessions were delivered by Dr. Neelesh Kumbhojkar, (Director, SCAE), Dr. Dharmendra Pande, (Head-Quality Assurance, QMB), Mr. Subhas Desai, (CEO, Markiverse Media Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad) and Mr. Paresh Masade, (CEO, Vaave Technologies, Hyderabad). The speakers educated the audience on alumni data collection and processes for various engagement initiatives, the importance of alumni engagement corresponding to rankings and surveys for accreditations, best practices to achieve maximum social media engagement with alumni, various stages of engaging alumni and strengthening alumni relations by employing the power of technology.

During the "Alumni Insights" session, 6 alumni connected virtually from all over the world and shared their thoughts about what alumni expect from their alma mater and how alma mater can benefit from alumni relations. A veteran alumnus, Ram Chari, has shown interest in extending help to innovators from Symbiosis.



**Visits of Alumni to SCAE at S. B. Road, Pune :** Manish Khandelwal, (Symbiosis Institute of Business Management (SIBM), Pune (2004 Batch) visited Symbiosis Centre for Alumni Engagement (SCAE), S. B. Road on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Over 20<sup>th</sup> years, he has served at UTI, Singapore and is now working as Chief Operating Officer. The discussion held touched on various engagement initiatives, and Manish showed enthusiasm in the formation of the Symbiosis Alumni Singapore Chapter. SCAE is working with him on a number of future initiatives in Singapore.





**Alumni Meet :** Dr. Anita Patankar, (Director, SCIE) travelled to Accra (Ghana) where SCAE, invited Symbiosis Alumni living in Ghana. Dr. Anita informed and invited alumni to Symbiosis International Dubai Campus.

Dr. Prakash Khedkar, (Dy. Director, SIT) travelled to Dar Es Salem (Tanzania) for the Higher Education Summit 2024. SCAE arranged his meet-up with Symbiosis alumni from Tanzania. Dr. Prakash made, the alumni aware of the leaps and bounds of progress at SIU and Symbiosis International Dubai Campus. The alumni assured to visit SCAE and SIU during their travel to India.



SCAE, is looking forward to many more such interactions shortly. SCAE, would like to host alumni if they come to Pune. Please let us know at director\_alumniengagement@siu.edu.in.

we look forward to meeting you at Symbiosis S B Road or Lavale SIU Campus. Stay Connected!

#### ACHIEVEMENTS OF ALUMNI OF SYMBIOSIS INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY – July to September 2024



SCAE, like to invite alumni to stay connected with us on all our social media platforms to keep up with the latest news, events, and opportunities. Please join SCAE's Pan Symbiosis Global alumni portal and social media

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- Portal Mobile App: https://www.myalumni.network/15153251
- LinkedIn Group: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/10530181/
- LinkedIn Page: https://www.linkedin.com/company/symbiosis-centre-for-alumni-engagement
- Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2640595712828657
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