

Research Guidance Cell (2014-15)

Main objectives of the Research Guidance Cell are:

1. To promote excellence in research among the teachers.
2. To develop relationship with research institutions and research organizations.
3. To organize seminars, conferences, workshops etc.
4. To motivate and guide professors to conduct research activities like paper presentation, project work etc.
5. To motivate students also to take part in research activity.

Following are the committee members of Research Guidance Cell:

1. Dr. Tanusree Chaudhuri (Dept. of Env. Studies)
2. Prof. Maya Hande (Dept. of Commerce)
3. Prof. Nisha Pillai (Dept. of Accountancy)
4. Prof. Aparna Padte (Chief Co-ordinator Self Finance Course)
5. Prof. Pradeep Hathi (Dept. of Accounting & Finance)
6. Prof. Anupama Bali (Co-ordinator BSc. IT)

1. State Level Workshop on Best Practices in Research on 20th December, (Saturday) 2014

Research Guidance Cell, organized one day State Level Workshop on “**Best Practices in Research**” held on 20th December, 2014. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. A.A.Rashid, Principal of Tolani College of Commerce, Andheri. There were two technical session in the workshop. Dr. Anil Sutar (Chairperson Research Methodolgy, TISS) Mumbai, was the Resource person for Technical Session-I. He spoke on “**Best Practices in Quantitative and Qualitative Research**” He described the importance of research design and also enlightened about the how to relation of objectives and analysis of research. He also explained in details with practical example about how to differentiate quantitative and qualitative research while collecting information. Mr. Santosh Hulagabali (Librarian, Nagindas Khandwala College) was the Resource Person for technical Session-II. He spoke on “**Online Tools and Techniques for Teaching, Research and Publication Activities**. He gave an in depth presentation and spoke extensively about three crucial elements of research viz: search strategies, search tools and various sources of information. Definitely the talk will help the

researchers/educators to be specific, strategic, and result-oriented by using certain online search techniques for their research.

The workshop was attended by approx. 50 participants from academic institutions all over the Maharashtra. The interactive sessions were interspersed by humour and laughter which added to the appeal of the resource persons and organizers.

2. Workshop on “ Plagiarism In Academic Research” held on 22nd November (Saturday) 2014.

RGC organized Regional level workshop on “**Plagiarism in Academic Research**”. Mr. Manju Naika, (Assistant Librarian, IIT, Bombay) was the Resource Person for the workshop. Mr. Naika explained about overview of plagiarism in academic research, various types of plagiarism, legal consequences of plagiarism and how to avoid it. He gave detail explanation about how to check the originality of research papers and for those available tools as an open source checker. He briefed about commercial plagiarism checker, Turnitin is one such commercial checker, is being used by several well known publishers and institution/Universities around the world. Approximately 25 participants from different colleges in Mumbai attended the workshop.

3. Research Guidance Cell helped five students to prepare their presentation for Inter Collegiate Students Research Competition organized by Research Cell and Students Training Cell of Maniben Nanavati Women’s College, Vile Parle held on 16th September, 2014.

- Rohit Radhakrishnan (F.Y.B.Com-C)
- Ruksana Shaikh Shakir (F.Y.B.Com-D)
- Venkata Vardhan (F.Y.B.Com-C)
- Pooja Kalidas (F.Y.B.Com-C)
- Sakshi Oza (F.Y.B.Com-C)

All students received certificate of honour.

Dr. Tanusree Chaudhuri