



Rayat Shikshan Sanstha's
Veer Wajekar A.S.C. College, Phunde (Uran)

**The performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its
priority and thrust**

The College is located in the hilly, Coastal, and Backward region of Raigad District in Uran Tehsil, where the local community is socio-economically as well as educationally most backward with fishing as the only source of livelihood. The community has a superstitious and indecent tradition in their festivals and the majority of them celebrate with different addictions. The majority of the community is illiterate and trapped in social and financial customs and traditions. The college is established in June 1989 to provide value education and to bring social reformation to the local population. The majority of entry-level students are first-generation learners with verbal communication in Agari and Koli language and were unable to speak standard Marathi and English language.

For social reformation among students and the community, the institution has initiated and successfully implemented career-oriented courses (Functional English, Soft Skills Development Courses, Human Rights Education, Proficiency in English, etc.) to develop self-employment among students. Courses like commercial coastal fishery and marketing, export-import management and preparation of domestic household chemicals are conducted in college. As the college is located in the vicinity of Jawaharlal Nehru Port (An International Port), the college conducts various courses to provide human resources to J N Port and port-related establishments and plays an effective role in nation-building.

Most of the land of the Uran Tehsil is acquired by the Government for CIDCO, Jawaharlal Nehru Port, ONGC, BPCL, SEZ, and various other projects. Overall development of this area. Due to land acquisition, the locals have lost their source of livelihood. Only because of this college the wards of local project-affected people got the opportunity of higher education. With 180 students in the first year of establishment of this college in 1989, the student strength has increased nearly ten times. The first learners of higher education from our college are getting quality education and are competent to grab the job opportunities available in the vicinity. The employment rate of our students is very high. This has changed the economic status of the nearby villages. As our students are inculcated with the life values, discipline and with the thrust of institutional vision and mission has brought drastic changes in the social aspect and local people. We can say that the institution is truly working on bringing socio-economic transformation to the masses as was the dream of Dr. Padmabhushan Karmvee Bhaurao Patil.


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