



Vidya Vikas Education Society's

VIKAS COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCE & COMMERCE

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REPORT ON THE SCHOLARSHIP AND FREESHIP AWARENESS ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

A comprehensive Scholarship and Freeship Awareness Orientation Programme was successfully conducted at Vikas College of Arts, Science & Commerce on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at 3:00pm in the college auditorium. The primary objective of the event was to educate students on the various financial aid opportunities available to them. The programme received an overwhelming response, with an attendance exceeding 500 students from all streams and courses, signifying a strong student interest in securing financial assistance for their education.

The programme was structured to provide maximum benefit and clarity to the attendees. The agenda was as follows:

- **Welcome Address:** The event began with a warm welcome address by the Principal, who highlighted the institution's commitment to ensuring no deserving student is deprived of education due to financial constraints.
- **Speaker Presentation:** Mr. Surendra Kailasrao Athawale, Coordinator, Special Cell shed light on the intricacies of scholarships and Freeship. The presentation covered the following key areas:
 - **Types of Scholarships:** Discussion on national, state-level, merit-based, and need-based scholarships.
 - **Benefits:** Thorough information about the various benefits all the schemes offer.
 - **Eligibility Criteria:** A detailed breakdown of the academic, income, and other criteria required for different schemes.
 - **Application Process:** A step-by-step guide on how to apply for scholarships, including information on required documents, application deadlines, and common pitfalls to avoid.
- **Question and Answer Session:** The floor was opened for students to ask questions. This interactive session proved to be highly effective, addressing individual queries and clearing common misconceptions regarding the application process and eligibility.
- **Organization of Camp on the College Campus to Issue Required Certificates:** Students were informed about exploring the possibility of organizing a camp on the college campus for issuing required certificates. For the same a Google form is prepared and circulated among the students to gather information of students interested in participating this camp.

4. Outcome and Impact



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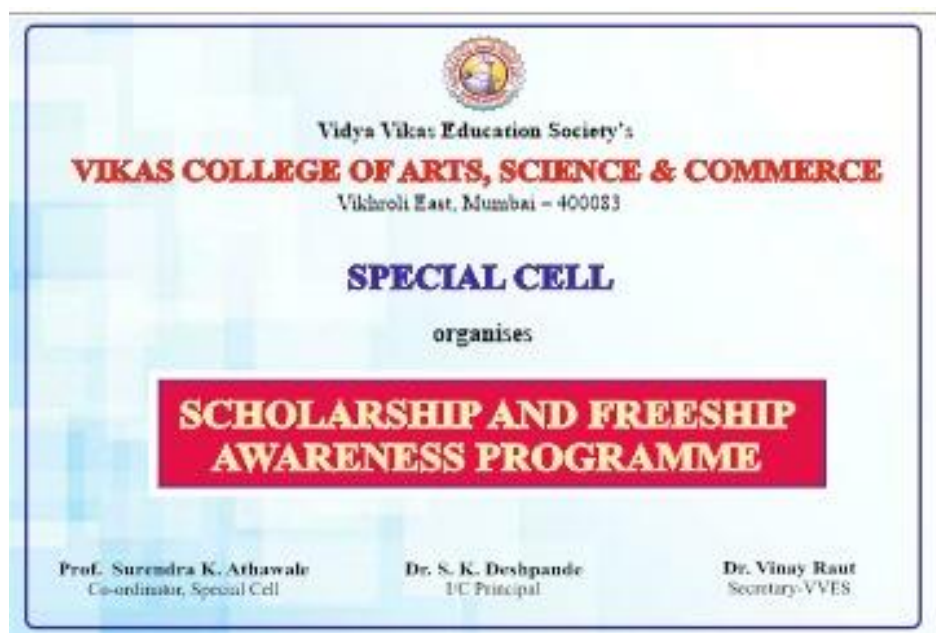
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The programme was met with enthusiastic participation from the students. The high attendance rate demonstrated a significant need for such a programme. Key outcomes include:

- **Increased Awareness:** Students gained a much clearer understanding of the diverse financial aid options available, both government-funded and college-sponsored.
- **Empowerment:** The session empowered students by providing them with the knowledge and tools to confidently navigate the application process.
- **Positive Feedback:** The feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing gratitude for the initiative. Several students stayed back after the session to seek one-on-one guidance from the Coordinator, Special Cell.

5. Conclusion

The Scholarship and Freeship Awareness Programme was a resounding success. It not only achieved its goal of raising awareness but also fostered a sense of community and support among the students. The college plans to build upon this success by taking proactive steps through the Special Cell to assist students with their scholarship and freeship applications, ensuring that the momentum generated by this programme continues to benefit the student body.





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