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RSS Sarsanghchalak (Chief),
Dr Mohan Bhagwat performing
Bhumipujan of Deendayal Darshan
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Union Petroleum Minister,
Dharmendra Pradhan
inaugurating 'Ujjwala Sammelan'.
Also present are (from left)
DG RMP, Ravindra Sathe,
Vice-Chairman
Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe,
Mumbai BJP President,
Ashish Shelar and
Chairperson,State Women Commission,
Vijaya Rahatkar.







- Cover page 1: BJP President, Amit Shah lighting the lamp to inaugurate the 12th Rambhau Mhalgi Memorial Lecture, accompanied by Maharashtra CM, Devendra Fadnavis, Dr Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Chairman of RMP Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande & others
- Cover page 2 : CM Devendra Fadnavis guiding the participants at the Pradesh Media Cell workshop organised by the State BJP unit



PREFACE

It is a matter of pride for the Managing Committee of Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini (RMP) to present the annual report for the year 2018-19. This is indeed one more year in the chain of last several years of various innovative enterprises undertaken so far. Prabodhini is renowned for innovative ideas and quality events. Several such initiatives were organised, adhering to the tradition of Prabodhini.

The two significant initiatives by Prabodhini in the year 2018-19 are:

- Setting up the 'Atal Incubation Centre' with the cooperation of the NITI Aayog under the auspices of the Atal Incubation Centre Scheme launched by the Union Government to foster the spirit of enterprising entrepreneurship.
- Organising 'Moral Leadership Development Programme', the first of its kind, at Srinagar for the executives of the Public Sector Undertakings with the active support of NHRD network.

Commencement of the second batch of IIDL's, Post Graduate Programme in Leadership, Politics and Governance, National Convention of Voluntary Organisations, People's Representatives and the Representatives of the Government to address the issues pertaining to the good governance, a conference to discuss the 'Contribution of the Ujjwala Scheme' launched by Central Government which has brought about a positive change in the lives of rural women, a national conference convened at Delhi to discuss NRC scheme which was meant for identifying the genuine citizens of India in Assam which proved to be a nation-wide sensation and a discussion conducted at Mumbai about the topic of 'Urban Naxalism' are some of the initiatives undertaken by Prabodhini for public awakening.

Within the sphere of 'Research and Social Survey', Prabodhini strengthened the Research Department by conducting a field-survey of a whopping number of 2,214 farm ponds introduced under the auspices of an ambitious scheme of the Maharashtra Government called 'Farm Pond On Demand' and by conducting a review of irrigation wells located in the Nagpur division.

Two more encouraging events which took place during the scope of the year under consideration of this report includes an insightful speech delivered by the BJP President Amit Shah on 'Arya Chanakya: Life and Deeds in Today's Times' from the dais of 'Rambhau Mhalgi Memorial Lectures' and the Bhoomi-Pujan of the proposed Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Museum within Prabodhini Complex in the presence of RSS Sarsanghachalak (Chief) Dr. Mohanrao Bhagwat.

Programmes organised during the report year: A numerical perspective

| Sr no | Programme | | No. of Programmes conducted | No. of Participants |
|-------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 4 | Training | Social | 21 | 807 |
| 1 | Training | Political | 9 | 1387 |
| 2 | Public Awakening | | 25 | 5049 |
| 3 | Atal Incubation Centre | | 1 | 70 |
| 4 | Publications | | 1 | 200 |
| 5 | Research | | 6 | 389 |
| 6 | RMP International | | 2 | 33 |
| 7 | Other | 1, 1,615 | 4 | 590 |
| | Total no of participants | | 69 | 8525 |

| Female 2923 Male 5602 Total 8525 |
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1. Noteworthy Programmes

1.1. Sushasan Sangam

A national conference on Sushasan Sangam viz. 'Good Governance Policy' was organised at the 'Knowledge-Excellence Centre' on 20th and 21st January 2019. The main objective of this conference was to discuss how good governance can be incorporated actively in various domains of society.

The concept behind the convention was presented by the Director General of Prabodhini, Ravindra Sathe in the inaugural session. The concept of good governance had gained more significance during the tenure of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The convention was inaugurated by Harivansh Narayan Singh, the Deputy Speaker of Rajya Sabha, and he presented his thoughts on this concept. The previous government compiled information about good governance but the present government undertook concrete steps to incorporate the concept of good governance and took efforts to make the administration more and more flawless. It gave priority to the domestic manufacturing of defence-related equipment and material instead of depending upon imports from other countries. Thanks to the efforts undertaken by this

government, the number of taxpayers also has increased substantially. He cited several such examples before the participants of this conference.

Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, the Vice Chairman of Prabodhini delivered the keynote speech. He expressed that the scope of good governance includes the balancing act between technology and human inspiration, idealism and practicality, individualism, collectivism, professional commitments and humanitarian attitudes along with fundamental needs to individual liberty. He stressed that it would not suffice to just perform good governance but the accomplishments achieved through the same should also be presented before the society in the right manner. The efforts of the government alone will not prove to be sufficient to achieve good governance, Dr. Sahasrabuddhe went on to explain, people's participation in the same is also essential.

Prof. Anirudhha Deshpande, Chairman of Prabodhini, also presented his thoughts about the concept of 'Good Governance'. He said that autonomy without accountability will result in gross anarchy and it will result into selfish people being benefitted. Therefore, he stressed that, active action will have to be undertaken to go back to the fundamental values and set up a new system based on human values. Three joint and four group discussion sessions were organised in this conference.

A lot of work has been going on in the context of good governance. Six individuals, whose work has been highlighted through 'Mann Ki Baat', an initiative of the Prime Minister, made a presentation about their work through two separate sessions. Six representatives of various institutions such as Smart Village, Save the Sparrow and Divyang Seva etc. made a presentation of their mission in the context of good governance before the participants of this conference. Group-wise sessions were conducted to highlight various aspects of good governance such as good governance with the active cooperation between the government and non-government organisations i.e. NGOs, various dimensions of good governance etc. A few more sessions of group discussion took place on topics like good governance through the university education, framework of accountability of village development programmes launched by the government, Good governance – the mantra of 21st century, good governance through competence enhancement, good governance in pharmacy business, present political leadership through pages of ancient literature of India and good governance and analysis of the Pradhanmantri Jana-Aushadhi Pariyojana etc. Several prominent dignitaries belonging to various domains offered their guidance to the participants of this conference through different sessions which included Atul Jain of Deendayal Research Institute; Priyank Kanoongo of National Commission for the protection of Child Rights (NCPCR); Lalit Jain, the Joint-Commissioner of Sirmaur town, Himachal Pradesh; Manjul Kumar from DICCI; Ambassador Asoke Mookherjee; Raman Kalyankrushnan of Tata Trust; Dr. S.G. Kashikar, Nagpur; Santosh Gupta, ISRN, Delhi; IAS Officer S. Suresh Kumar; Basant Kumar, follower of Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy, Karan Bhasin, writer and several women dignitaries like Kshipra Shukla, Chairperson of UPID.

Several departments and bodies namely Department of Information and Public Relations (Maharashtra), Public Relations Department (Himachal Pradesh), Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Ministry of Cultural Affairs (Union Government) and a few other NGOs had set up their stalls to exhibit their work at the venue of the conference. Ravindra Sathe, presented the Valedictory address.

1.2. Contribution of the Ujjwala Scheme in Rural Life

Even after the completion of 70 years of gaining independence, it is a harsh reality that women staying in remote rural and hilly areas are forced to use wood or coal as fuel in the kitchen. Considering their plight in first collecting the necessary dry branches of wood from trees and also the hazard they face caused by the smoke that gathers in the kitchen, the union government launched the ambitious 'Ujjwala Yojana' in the year 2014. The objective behind this scheme was to help women save their time and labour as well as look after their health. Also, the wider goal of environment protection was to be achieved through this scheme. It has been found that both of these objectives are being accomplished on a large scale after this scheme has been introduced. It is in this background, a one-day conference of rural women benefiting from Ujjwala Yojana was organised on 10th December, 2018 in Mumbai. Almost 450 beneficiary women belonging to various districts of the Maharashtra such as Palghar, Thane, Raigad, Mumbai Suburbs, Dhule, Chandrapur and Ratnagiri participated in this conference, which was supported by three corporate organisations viz. HPCL, IOCL and BPCL.

The Union Minister of Oil and Natural Gas, Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated this one-day conference. Based on personal experiences he had gathered from the nook and corner of the country, he explained the significance of the 'Ujjwala Yojana' as far as the empowerment of women was concerned. He said that the union government has already taken the necessary action to rectify the faults being noticed in the implementation of this scheme but he mentioned it categorically that the government is committed to make this scheme 100% free of deficiencies if the beneficiary women themselves also offer any suggestions for the same. On this occasion Vijaya Rahatkar, the Chairperson of the State Women's Commission; BJP Mumbai President and MLA,

Adv. Ashish Shelar; Member of the Managing Committee of Prabodhini Rekha Mahajan and Director General of Prabodhini, Rayindra Sathe were also present. Three different sessions were conducted to highlight the significance of the contribution made by Ujiwala Yojana in terms of improvement of Women's Health. Women Empowerment and Supplement to the Environment Preservation respectively. Dr. Harshada Deodhar and Rajiv Malhotra, the Secretary of the Health Department of the Union Government participated in the discussion held for highlighting the reforms taking place in the rural health and overall development of rural areas brought about by the introduction of this scheme. The Chair for this session was Vijaya Rahatkar. The session 'Women Empowerment and Ujjwala Yojana' was presided over by Priyank Kanoongo, a Member of the NCPCR whereas the third session called 'Environment Supplementation by Ujjwala Yojana' was presided over by the woman Sarpanch Rachana Shahane from Gondia district in which Nirupama Deshpande of 'Sampoorna Bamboo Kendra' Amravati district participated along with the social activists Shatabdi Pande, Raipur and Prof. Varsha Bhosale, Navi Mumbai. The valedictory address was delivered by Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe.

1.3. Jammu and Kashmir: Thought, Review and Planning

With the active cooperation of Jammu and Kashmir Study Centre, Prabodhini organised a two-day seminar on 8th and 9th December 2018 to focus on the issue of Jammu-Kashmir: Thought, Review and Planning for the future. The seminar was inaugurated by BJP General Secretary and Prabhari (In-charge) of Jammu and Kashmir, Ram Madhav. Dr. Shakti Sinha, researcher on Jammu and Kashmir delivered the introductory speech. Various dignitaries like Suresh Bhageria, Senior Official of RSS Mumbai, and Jawaharlal Kaul were present on this occasion. 166 participants attended this seminar. Ram Madhav stated that the problem of Jammu and Kashmir was looked after from the viewpoint of Kashmir valley only but it must be taken care of with the viewpoint of Jammu and Kashmir being a state of the Indian Union, Jammu and Kashmir also is endowed with cultural diversity like all other states of India. 11,000 men were killed during the Pakistan-sponsored attack made in the year 1947. He stressed that the state government must not be looked upon merely as a machinery to restrain and eliminate terrorist movement in the state but it must be reviewed from the point of view of an agency meant for bringing about an all-round development of the state. He further stated that national parties were not holding power in the state except for a brief period after Sheikh Abdullah was arrested and imprisoned during the decade of 1950s and rule of the Congress party from 2002. Ram Madhay assertively argued that the state of Jammu and Kashmir must be looked after from the viewpoint of

bringing about development only like all other states of the Indian Union. Jawaharlal Kaul offered his valuable guidance about the subject of 'Traditional Culture of Jammu and Kashmir' while presenting the history and traditions spread over more than 3,000 years before the participants of this seminar. He focused on narrating in detail the historical traditions being practised in various sects of the people of Jammu and Kashmir along with speaking about the natural flora-n-fauna spread over the landscape full of lakes, mountains and valleys in Jammu and Kashmir. He stated that the city of Srinagar was founded by Emperor Ashok whereas the Buddhist, Vaishnava and Shaiva sects have a strong influence over this region. He also informed the audience that the King Lalitaditya expanded his kingdom right up to the southern India.

He argued that the current environment of social unrest and rioting in J&K is not by the local Muslim community but it is caused by the Muslims belonging to the Punjab province of Pakistan.

Ashutosh Bhatnagar spoke on' The Unification of Kashmir with independent India and National Integrity' whereas Alok Bansal, the Director of India Foundation also shared his thoughts in another session.

The Prachar-Pramukh of RSS, Arun Kumar said, "The problem of Jammu and Kashmir does not exist in the state but in the capital city of Delhi. There is a great degree of confusion about this subject throughout the country and incomplete information is widespread widely leading to contradictory viewpoints. As a result of this it is difficult to design a comprehensive policy to address this problem'. He informed the audience that the 'Jammu Kashmir Study Centre'was founded with the objective of fostering a proper study of Kashmir by eliminating misunderstandings and ill-sourced information. Veteran journalist Abha Khanna spoke in the session on the attitude of the media about J&K.

The concluding speech of this conference was delivered by Arun Kumar. He asserted that several organisations such as Vidya Bharati, Ekal Vidyalaya and Vishwa Hindu Parishad were striving hard through their work to keep Jammu and Kashmir united and also to strengthen the feeling that Jammu & Kashmir is an inseparable part of India. The separatist elements are active in J&K but public support to such elements is decreasing day by day. Regarding this subject our communication across the country must increase. He concluded by arguing that this conference will succeed only when initiatives are taken at various levels to create awareness about this issue.

1.4. NRC - Defending the Border, Securing the Culture

RMP organised a one-day national seminar on 10th September, 2018 on 'National Register of Citizens' dedicated for registering the citizens of Assam which generated a lot of debate throughout the country. Held at the Constitution Club of India, the Chief Minister of Assam Sarbananda Sonowal, BJP General Secretary, Ram Madhav and Chief Editor of 'My Nation' Abhijit Mazumdar participated in this discussion.

Chief Minister Sonowal offered a detailed account of the calamitous crisis caused by the problem of the illegal migrants from Bangladesh. He aggressively asserted that increasing migration is becoming a major hindrance in the process of maintaining a national register of citizens and as a result of this alarming problem, the cultural identity of Assam is under threat. He strongly recommended that NRC needs to be updated at the earliest and it should clearly distinguish between the originally resident Indians and other citizens who may have migrated from Bangladesh. He claimed that both the union and the state governments will find it easy to undertake all subsequent remedial actions by pursuing this policy.

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Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Hemant Goyal, founder of Himalayan University and veteran journalist Samudragupta Kashyap were also present on this occasion.

This programme was attended by nearly 300 people and journalists of Delhi.

1.5. Urban Naxalism

A dialogue on the subject of 'Urban Naxalism' was organised at the Indian Merchants Chamber, Mumbai in 21st November, 2018 with Vivek Agnihotri, a renowned film producer, director and also a researcher of this serious problem. Priti Gandhi interviewed Agnihotri to unfold the various facets of this subject, before an august audience of 300 people. The introductory speech was delivered by Ravindra Sathe. He highlighted the purpose of Prabodhini organising this dialogue. He traced the beginning of Naxal activities in Maharashtra to the year 1989-90, in the Gadchiroli region. The first ever study of this problem was conducted by Prabodhini to study the Naxal activities taking place in Chhattisgarh as well as the 'Salwa Judum' movement launched by local people to keep a check over the Naxal movement. In 2009 the then Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh had pointed out Naxalism as the greatest threat to the nation. The problem was compounded by the urban intellectual class offering their support to these Naxal activities which were previously restricted to thickly forested areas. This endorsement offered by the urban intellectuals is known as 'Urban Naxalism'. Ravindra Sathe said that the gravity of the problem necessitated thorough deliberation & social awareness of this issue. Hence a dialogue was organised with Vivek Agnihotri, who had given deep thought to this problem.

Vivek Agnihotri traced and explained the genesis of the Naxal movement to the village of Naxalbari in West Bengal. He pointed out that, at the same time as Vinoba Bhave had pioneered the Bhoodaan movement by resorting to peaceful means, the Naxalites resorted to violence. He asserted that a systematic effort was made to impose the image of the Naxalites as the sole emancipators of the poor even though they were resorting to violence and thus were attempting to erase the memories of the Bhoodaan movement. Vivek Agnihotri informed the audience that the leftist parties offered their support to Indira Gandhi based on certain conditions and they encroached upon the education sector using their conditional support. He explained at full length how the leftist parties distorted the education of history and several other objects of national pride to ultimately lead the nation on a wrong path. He presented live examples of the elements providing financial aid to this dangerous movement and the doubtful postures adopted by various social institutions. He insisted that the problem of Naxalism is not merely a friction between multiple political parties but it is a daylight conspiracy to devastate the philosophy of nationalism. He highlighted the systematic modus operandi of this movement to attract the youth from the colleges in urban areas and stressed the need to carefully counter this effort on intellectual level also. The dialogue was followed by a round of question and answers.

1.6. 'Sankalp se Siddhi' - An Oath to Build a New India

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced an initiative called 'Sankalp se Siddhi' (From Commitment to Accomplishment) in August 2017. This initiative aims at completely eliminating social issues like lack of public hygiene and uncleanliness, poverty, communalism, enmity between religious groups, corruption and terrorism through the active participation of people till the year 2022 and thereby bring about a fundamental change in India. Inspired by the earnest appeal made by the Prime Minister, RMP ventured to participate in this noble initiative. For this purpose, active cooperation of two autonomous institutions working within the purview of the cultural ministry of the Union Government of India, namely Gandhi Smruti and Darshan Samiti was sought.

This initiative was taken for school-going children and employees in schools of North-Eastern region of India. Within this initiative the following activities were undertaken:

- a) Schools were encouraged to form cultural groups.
- b) It is through the medium of these cultural groups, competitions on the theme of 'Sankalp se Siddhi' were organised.
- c) The students were given booklets about various competitions. They were encouraged to discuss and think about ways to participate in this campaign. Competitions such as quiz, essay-writing and tagline-writing were organised to create awareness about the aforementioned issues.
- d) The children took an oath that they were committed to the mission of building a new India.

Orientation workshops were organised for the principals of schools to strengthen the interschool relations. These exclusive workshops were conducted in the capital cities of various north-eastern states viz. Guwahati, Agartala and Shillong. The first such exclusive workshop was conducted at Shilpagram in Guwahati, Assam on 10th July, 2018 in which 306 schools participated. The second such workshop was conducted at the National Science and Technology Institute in Agartala, Tripura on 11th July 2018 in which the principals of 170 schools had participated and the third such exclusive workshop was convened at North Eastern Hill University in Shillong on 13th July 2018 in which 95 principals participated. Thus more than two lakh school-going children were encouraged to participate in these initiatives through the medium of these principals.

Dr. Pilo Hazarika, Sunita Changkatti were present at the workshop at Guwahati, while Priyank Kanoongo, Ravi Pokharna, Prof. M. K. Sharma, Dr. Govind Bhargava and Ajit Chandradas were present at the workshop at Agartala. Meera Kharkhongor, W. R. Lingdoh, Vice Chancellor of Nehru University Prof. S. K. Srivastava, A. C. Marak and Ravindra Sathe were present at the programme at Shillong. Nitin Agarwal, an associate of Prabodhini, Delhi offered active co-operation in the planning and implementation of all of all three workshops.

2. Training

2.1.Madhya Pradesh – Orientation Workshop on Direction of Rural Development.

A workshop of the activists of a social institution called 'Madhya Pradesh Jan Abhiyan Parishad' which is sponsored entirely by the State Government was organised on behalf of Prabodhini between 15th to 18th May. 109 representatives comprising 86 men and 23 women participated in this workshop on 'Direction of Rural Development'.

This workshop was inaugurated by the Chief Executive of Prabodhini, Ravi Pokharna. Veteran social activist Rambhau Dimbale offered his valuable guidance to the participants on two vital topics viz. how to define the direction of the rural development and the need for prior study in the domain of comprehensive rural development. During the sessions, he dwelt on the very concept of development, especially rural development, availability of resources in villages and the overall direction of thinking on these lines in the context of rural development.

Through the two sessions on dimensions of rural development, NGO-consultant, Vivek Atre made elaborate presentations on the topic. He expounded this subject in the context of its three significant facets viz. rural sanitation, water supply and system of education. He offered guidance on ways of obtaining the benefits of government schemes of rural development.

A variety of experiments on rural development are being conducted in the surroundings of Keshav Srushti. A field-visit of the participants was organised to get first hand information about various innovations. The participants got tangible knowledge about cultivation of herbal-medicinal plants, planning of water-supply, cattle-rearing and other experiments pertaining to agriculture.

Self-employment plays a significant role in the sphere of rural development. The officer of KVIC, Y. K. Baramatikar, presented detailed information about ways of

accomplishing personality-development through self-employment during a session on 'Self-Employment and Personality Development'.

The honorary Director of Prabodhini's Vilasrao Salunkhe Chair for Water Governance, Madhav Bhandari, who has been personally working in the domain of 'Water', offered valuable guidance in a session titled 'The Direction of Self-Sufficiency in Water Supply'. He illustrated with examples the need to consider planning of water-conservation based on factors like amount of rainfall, the geographical condition of villages and the state of water-consumption and water-storage in villages.

A session was convened considering the need for establishing a dialogue between various social elements and achieving coordination between them. Arvind Rege, member of the Managing Committee of Prabodhini, explained this subject to all the participants whereas Dr. Prasad Deodhar, the founder of the Bhagirath Gramvikas, offered guidance on two vitally significant subjects viz. the criterion of the Rural Sanitation Movement and the Study of Nature. This workshop concluded with the speech of Pradeep Pandye, the Vice-Chairman of the Madhya Pradesh Jan Abhiyan Parishad

2.2. Arunachal Pradesh - Training of the Office Bearers

Arunachal Pradesh is inhabited by people of multifarious creeds and tribes. While these people primarily worship the Sun and Moon, they have been living peacefully by practicing their unique culture and traditions for several centuries. But this rich heritage has been undermined due to various encroachments happening since past few decades and as a result a state-level institution called 'Indian Faith and Cultural Society' was founded in the year 1999 to counter the variety of encroachments challenging their historical culture.

Prabodhini organised a training of the office-bearers of this institution between 8th to 14th April, 2018 at its KEC campus in which 8 office-bearers participated. A wide curriculum of 17 subjects essential for the office-bearers to carry out the functions of the aforesaid institution was included in this training programme.

A social activist and veteran lawyer Adv. Arun Sathe, who has been serving for a long duration (1960 to 2014) in the north-eastern region, inaugurated this training programme. He offered valuable guidance on the nature of the institution's mission and work, the challenges confronting them in the upcoming years and the earlier state of affairs in the north-eastern states.

Nandu Jangale, who has served directly at the grassroot level from 1986 to 2002 in Arunachal Pradesh offered insights to the participants about two aspects viz. the socio-cultural introduction of India and secondly the significance of the work by the aforesaid institution.

The veteran NGO-consultant, Vivek Atre, spoke at length on the vision statement and mission of any institution. He elaborated the significance of these in the functioning of an institution and the role of the office-bearers. The Member of the Managing Committee of Prabodhini, Arvind Rege spoke about Office Management whereas Sunil Dhengale presented his thoughts on 'Social Awareness and Understanding of Social Problems'. The topic 'Leadership qualities' was elaborated by Jayant Roy. Shriram Patwardhan offered his guidance about financial management as well as organising and conducting meetings of an institution. The significance of individual character along with transparency of functioning in the management of an institution was explained in detail by Arun Karmarkar. Priti Gandhi went on to explain in detail how to conduct publicity campaigns & spoke insightfully on 'Media Management' and Anil Patil offered his valuable thoughts on the significance of communication skills, interpersonal relationships and group formation of like-minded people while doing social work.

Yoga teacher Sonal Varhadpande gave live yoga demonstrations and guided the participants in performing yoga; she explained the significance of Yoga for maintaining balance between physical and mental health while dedicating oneself to social service. A separate session on 'Assessment' was scheduled. Dr. Satish Modh, RSS Sanghachalak for the Konkan region and a Management expert presented his ideas about the topic.

BJP's Joint General Secretary (Org.), V. Satish, who holds a rich experience of working in the north-eastern states delivered the valedictory address.

2.3. Training of the Employees of National Commission for Protecting Children's Rights (NCPCR)

A workshop on 'Stress Management' was organised on 25th-26th June 2018 for the employees of Remand Homes by Prabodhini with the active cooperation of National Commission for the Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR). 20 representatives, which included 11 men and 9 women, from various children's remand homes from Maharashtra participated in this workshop.

This workshop was inaugurated by Priyank Kanoongo, Member, NCPCR. Children, who are victims of various problems, get admitted in remand homes; their caretakers are bound to suffer from a unique type of psychological stress given the conditions in which they are required to work. Priyank Kanoongo said that in India such a workshop was being organised for the first time and he expressed a grave need for conducting such workshops throughout the country and sought Prabodhini's help in such an initiative. A group discussion was held to understand how the remand home employees can build affinity with the children admitted and what are the challenges involved as well as the precise expectations from them. A dialogue with the participants was held on their role in such circumstances and their ultimate responsibilities.

In the session on 'Stress Management from Medical perspective', senior psychiatrist Dr. Janhavi Kedare offered her valuable inputs whereas Vijay Jadhav, founder of 'Samatol', an organisation working in the field of child rights, emphasised the need for understanding the children admitted in remand homes, who often feel insecure.

Two separate sessions were organised on maintaining the balance between mind and body regarding stress management. Chirag Sakhare explained this topic with the help of practical demonstration and game therapy. He also explained adopting a different approach of thinking about a problem. All the participants voluntarily admitted that they were gifted with an altogether new outlook, through these two sessions, to manage their everyday work and control the stress they suffer from. Using a separate session meant for active participation, special exercises were conducted to educate the participants about how to foster a positive attitude at their workplace. Arvind Rege, Member, Managing Committee, Prabodhini, delivered the valedictory address of this workshop.

Special Programmes are detailed earlier. Other programmes are listed below :

Other Training Programmes

| Sr | Date | Programme Title | No. of Participants |
|----|---|--|------------------------|
| 1 | 2 nd – 3 rd June 2018 CSR workshop for social organis | | 32 |
| 2 | 5 th Sept 2018 | Workshop for teachers of Asmita social, cultural and educational institutions | 55 |
| 3 | 17 th -18 th Nov 2018 | Event management training camp | 26 |
| 4 | 16 th -17 th Feb 2019 | Oratory training camp for political activists | 37 |
| 5 | 26 th - 28 th Feb 2019 | Doni Polo Yelam Kebang youth leadership training camp, Arunachal Pradesh | 14 |
| 6 | 24 th Feb 2019 | Suyog Housing Society, Borivali office bearers & members training camp | 35 |
| | · | Total | 199 |

Other political training programmes conducted by RMP are listed below:

| Sr | Date | Programme Title | Venue | Male | Female | Total | Resource Persons |
|----|--|---|-----------------------------------|------|--------|-------|--|
| 1 | 27 th -28 th June 2018 | BJP, Maharashtra Pradesh Uttar Bhartiya Morcha | Knowledge Excellence Center | 106 | 16 | 122 | Inauguration: Vidya Thakur Valedictory: Jaiprakash Thakur Speakers: Dipak Jadhav, Madhav Bhandari, Vijayrao Puranik, Keshav Upadhye, Jaiprakash Thakur, Raghunath Kulkarni |

| 2 | 30 th June – 1 st July 2018 | BJP, Maharashtra Pradesh Social Media workshop | Knowledge Excellence Center | - | <u>.</u> | 216 | Speakers: Madhav Bhandari, Keshav UpadhyeŞumit Wankhede, Atul Bhatkhalkar, Amit Malviya, Nidhi Kamdar, Ashish Merkhed |
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| 3 | 2 nd -3 rd July 2018 | BJP, Maharashtra Pradesh Kisan Morcha | Knowledge Excellence Center | - | - | 238 | Speakers: Raosaheb Danve Patil, Dnyanoba Mundhe, Subhashbapu Deshmukh, Sadabhau Khot,Balasaheb Gavade |
| 4 | 20 th -21 st July 2018 | BJP, Maharashtra Pradesh Vistarak Varg | Knowledge Excellence Center | | 4 | 162 | Inauguration: Madhav Bhandari Valedictory: Raosaheb Danve Patil Speakers: Vijayrao Puranik, Shivprakashji, Ashish Shelar, Atul Bhatkhalkar |
| 5 | 26 th -28 th July 2018 | BJP, Maharashtra Media division, District and Divisional Publicity Chief Workshop | Knowledge Excellence Center | - | - | 127 | Inauguration: Devendra Fadanvis Valedictory: Madhav Bhandari Speakers: Dinesh Thite, Sambit Patra, Atul Limaye, Keshav Upadhye, Chetan Shashital, V. Satish, Ravindra Sathe, Vivek Ghalsaasi, Nitin Gokhale |
| 6 | 6 th -7 th Aug 2018 | BJP Chandrapur Akola, Amravati Municipality Corporators Training Camp | Knowledge Excellence Center | - | | 116 | Inauguration Sudhir Mungantivar Valedictory: Upendra Kothekar Speakers: Dipak Jadhav, Anil Bhadhe, Sarang kamtekar, Dayashankar Tiwari, Anil Sole |

| 7 | 16 th -17 th Oct 2018 | BJP, Maharashtra Minority Morcha People's Representa tives' Training Camp | Knowledge Excellence Center | - | | 186 | Inauguration: Rashid Ansari, Jamal Siddiqui, Ravindra Bhusari Valedictory: Jamal Siddiqui Speakers: Virag Pachpor, Amarjit Mishra, Ravindra Sathe, Ejaj Deshmukh, Vijayrao Puranik, Shrikant Bhartiya |
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| 8 | 22 nd Nov 2018 | BJP Raigad and Maval Loksabha Constituency Social media Training Camp | | - | _ | 55 | Inauguration: Ravindra Sathe, Prashant Thakur Speakers: Pratik Karpe, Shweta Shalini |
| 9 | 5 th Jan 2019 | BJP Kalyan Loksabha Constituency Social media Activists Training Camp | | - | - | 65 | Inauguration : Narendra Pawar Speakers : Shweta Shalini, Keshav Upadhye, Pratik Karpe |

3. Prabodhan (Public Awakening)

3.1. Rambhau Mhalgi Memorial Lecture

During this year, the 12th Rambhau Mhalgi Memorial Lecture was organised at Pune on 8th July 2018. This year, the lecture based on the subject 'Arya Chanakya - Life and Work: In the Present Context' was delivered by Amit Shah, National President of BJP. Arya Chanakya is one personality in the history of our country, who created an influential position for himself in the cultural and political life of this country in spite of being located beyond the purview of power circles. Amit Shah went on to explain how the theories proposed by Arya Chanakya are useful even today.

During his insightful speech he focused at length on various conceptions of nation, administration, duties of a king, public life, trade, taxation, foreign policy, shrewd manoeuvres in power politics and intelligence department referring to scholarly books authored by Chanakya such as Kautilya Arthashastra, Chanakya Neetidarpan, Chanakya Saar-Sangraha, Laghu-Chanakya, Vruddha Chanakya, Chanakya Sutra and Vishnugupta Siddhanta etc.

In the background of this insightful speech, an essay competition was also conducted for youth on the theme 'Arya Chanakya'between 22nd June to 30th June. The subjects for this essay competition were - Chanakya's concept of an ideal nation-building, Chanakya – a Management Guru and Chanakya's concept of Public Welfare. 1,457 participants contested this essay competition and the winners were awarded prizes by Amit Shah. M.T. Educare and Camlin sponsored this competition.

Rambhau Mhalgi was an ideal representative of people. Prabodhini which has been named after him, launched an initiative of a memorial lecture in his name and on his 75th birth anniversary. So far, in this lecture series, laureates like Lal Krishna Advani, Sushma Swaraj, Dr. Prabhakar Mande, Suresh Soni, Ram Madhav, Dr. Rakesh Sinha have delivered insightful speeches.

3.2. Editors' Meet (Samvaad Sabha)

For the last 5 years, Prabodhini has been organising a 'Samvaad Sabha' i.e. a dialogue between leading Marathi editors and writers as well as voracious readers.

'Marathi Language and Culture: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow', has been a common thread of all of these meetings held so far. Every year almost 30-40 participants, including journalists, artists, authors, publishers and like-minded readers attend this programme, launched with the prime objective of, mutual dialogue and exchange of ideas and thoughts.

This year Samvaad Sabha was held on 5th-6th May 2018. It was inaugurated by veteran journalist and author Ambarish Mishra and Vikas Paranjape of Jyotsna Publications. At the outset, a homage was offered to late Gangadhar Pantavne.

Noted actor Sachin Khedekar spoke briefly about his career in the film industry. Well-known author of children's books Madhuri Purandare spoke about literature authored by her, along with her effort to seek a dialogue with children by drawing pictures and about her ideas pertaining to children's literature. Writer and director Sachin Kundalkar

shared the inspiration behind creative work of an artist. He also shared his journey as a person as well as a writer.

Veteran laureate Dr. Sadanand More delivered a valuable and thought-provoking speech on the theme'Modern Maharashtra and Religion' whereas senior journalist Ramesh Patange enlivened the memories of Late Gangadhar Pantavane. Renowned classical singer Satyashil Deshpande spoke about 'Philosophy of Music'. 42 prominent participants attended this Samvaad Sabha.

3.3. Thursday Themes

Under this programme, at the Wadala Office of Prabodhini on the last Thursday of every month, a speech is delivered by an expert on a contemporary topic of importance from any sphere national, political or social. This has been a regular & consistent fixture for the last twenty years.

Details of the Thursday Themes in the report year

| Sr no | Date | Subject | | Speaker |
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| 1 | 28 th June 2018 | Non-performing Loans and Banks – Reality and Remedies | 40 | Vidyadhar Anaskar |
| 2 | 26 th July 2018 | Pioneer of the Age -Chanakya | 42 | Asawari Bapat |
| 3 | 30 th August 2018 | National Register of Citizens : A Reality | 35 | Madhav Bhandari |
| 4 | 2 nd Sept 2018 | Foreign Funds and Indian Civil Society | 50 | C. Surendranath, Mukund Chitale |
| 5 | 25 th Oct 2018 | Global Impact of the US-China Trade War | 35 | Makarand Herwadkar |
| 6 | 21 st Feb 2019 | Daily Management | 22 | Sanjay Tasgaonkar |
| 7 | 28 th March 2019 | Aerial Attacks : India's Changing Strategy | 25 | Vijay Page, Colonel (Retd.) Venkatraman |

3.4. Book Publication

The National Cause - Selected Writings of S. G. Majgaonkar:

The publication of a compilation of 25 selected articles written originally in Marathi by veteran journalist Shrikant Ganesh Majgaonkar (editor & founder of the erstwhile famous weekly in Marathi called 'Manus' more widely known as 'Manuskaar ShreeGaMa') which were later translated in English under the title of a book named 'The National Cause – Selected Writings of S.G. Majgaonkar' was carried out on 31st August 2018 at Patrakar Bhavan in Pune as a joint initiative by Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini and the Manus Pratishthan, Pune. The Chief Guest of this function was Vinayakdada Patil, former minister in Govt. of Maharashtra, veteran journalist Ambarish Mishra was the Guest of Honour while Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe chaired the programme. Other distinguished guests like Anand Agashe, translator of the original articles written in Marathi by Shrikant Majgaonkar; Vandana Bhale, Chairman of the Manus Pratishthan; veteran public intellectual Vinay Hardikar and Ravindra Sathe were also present.

3.5. Well-Wishers Gathering

A gathering of Prabodhini's well-wishers and representatives of various institutions, who have been contributing to the development of Prabodhini was organised to celebrate the foundation day of Prabodhini. Held on 21st October, the function was inaugurated by Mangal Prabhat Lodha, Secretary of Prabodhini and MLA.

Ravindra Sathe, made a presentation on the various initiatives and undertakings conducted by Prabodhini in past 36 years. Simultaneous break-out discussions were also conducted between six thematic groups regarding generating ideas for Prabodhini's which new initiatives should be undertaken by Prabodhini in the times to come, and what will the contribution of all the well-wishers in it. This get-together of the well-wishers of Prabodhini concluded after remarks by Chandrakant Dada Patil who was the former Secretary of Prabodhini and currently Minister of Revenue, Govt. of Maharashtra. 200 guests comprising ex-employees, associates, representatives of institutions associated with Prabodhini, along with domain experts and the contractors offering their services to Prabodhini attended this meeting.

3.6. Felicitation Ceremony for Ravindra Sathe

Ravindra Sathe, who was active in Prabodhini since the year 1992 was appointed its

Director General in March 2018. On this account his felicitation ceremony was organised on 26th May 2018. The function was held in Kohinoor Mangal Karyalaya in the presence of Prabodhini's Chairman Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande, Vice Chairman Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Chairman of the Savarkar Darshan Pratishthan, Mumbai, and Bhikuji (Dada) Idate, Chairperson of the National Commission for Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes.

Apart from these dignitaries, 200 well-wishers including close friends and relatives of Ravindra Sathe were present at this function. The treasurer of the Savarkar Darshan Partishthan Vinod Pawar, who has also been closely associated with Ravindra Sathe for over two decades, spoke about his experiences with Sathe citing examples of a few virtues of Sathe such as his keenness for fulfilling any endeavour, regard for discipline, earnestness to undertake thorough preparations for any work on any subject, health consciousness and sincere attitude to care for his close associates and be attentive to them. Prabodhini's Librarian Dilip Navele, who has been serving in Prabodhini since 1998, shared his experience of working under Ravindra Sathe. Sathe's teacher during his college days and who had later accepted the responsibility to serve as the honorary Director of Prabodhini, Dr Aruna Kaulgud spoke in detail about how Ravindra Sathe evolved his personality, of his attitude to make relentless efforts and his attitude to leave no stone unturned in trying his best to accomplish a degree of fulfilment in any task assigned to him. Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, who has been directly associated with Ravindra Sathe personally for over three decades in his work, shed light on a few more virtues of Ravindra Sathe such as Sathe's spirited commitment to discipline and his attitude to be strict with himself, his studious approach, his sensitivity towards the problems confronted by his colleagues and his courage to be outspoken.

While expressing his own opinions. Dr. Sahasrabuddhe candidly admitted that with Ravindra Sathe on his side, it gave him the necessary room to focus on other tasks with a carefree mind.

Bhikuji (Dada) Idate spoke briefly about Ravindra Sathe's passage of life ever since he became the full time worker of RSS (Sangh Pracharak) till the moment of him becoming the Director General of Prabodhini. He revealed that both Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe and Ravindra Sathe worked round the clock with utmost dedication as full-time workers (Pracharaks) under the able leadership of Late Pramod Mahajan and Late Vasantrao Patwardhan. He appreciated the dedicated efforts by both Dr. Sahasrabuddhe and Ravindra Sathe, and said that Prabodhini could gain prominence at the international level today only due to their hard work.

While making the concluding remarks, Chairman of Prabodhini, Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande said that hundreds and thousands of activists like Ravindra Sathe had invested their time and energy for India's national revival and it is indeed very noble to strive relentlessly for a cause one believes in without expecting to come in limelight anytime. Prof. Deshpande also candidly admitted that Sathe's personality is worth emulating.

In his response, Ravindra Sathe explained how his character and personality evolved and expressed his heartfelt intense gratitude towards everybody who cared for him, who pardoned him and who shaped his life.

3.7. (Introduction) Certification Course in Hindutva

Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini and Savarkar Darshan Pratishthan, Mumbai, jointly conduct a certificate course on 'Hindutva (Introduction)' every year. This year it was conducted on the 15th, 16th and 17th March 2019 at the Knowledge Excellence Centre premises of Prabodhini. The course was inaugurated by Bhuikuji (Dada) Idate, Chairman of Savarkar Darshan Pratishthan while the introductory speech was delivered by Ravindra Sathe. 42 participants from 11 districts of Maharashtra and some districts from Madhya Pradesh attended this course.s. A detailed introduction to 10 different subjects was made to these participants who were desirous of studying the concept of Indian Nationalism i.e. Hindutva from an academic viewpoint. This certificate course is being conducted regularly for the past 12 years.

Prof. Avinash Kolhe explained in detail how the great epics of Mahabharata and Ramayana have been pivotal to the evolution of the concept of Indian Nationalism whereas Dr. Manisha Tikekar argued that the formation of a state is far easier than evolving the concept of a nation while talking at length about 'Evolution and Development of Nationalism in the Indian Subcontinent'. Ravindra Gole stressed on the role of folk literature and traditions vis-a-vis the notion of Hindutva.

Apart from these dignitaries, various other speakers such as Prof. M. M. Pendse, Bhau Torsekar, Arvind Kulkarni, Akshay Jog, and Virag Pachpor too offered guidance to the participants. Adv. Chitra Phadke, the Vice-Chairman of Savarkar Pratishthan and Ashokrao Chowgule, the International Executive Chairman of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad were also present at the valedictory session along with Dada Idate.

4. Library Initiative

4.1 Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Study Centre Library

The inauguration of this library was carried out at the hands of the veteran laureate Sharankumar Limbale, at the auditorium of the Chanchal-Smruti Premises located at Wadala in the year 1993. However, in the year 2000, a bigger space was made available for this library in the training complex located at the Keshav Srushti campus of Prabodhini. This library is recognised by the government and today it is endowed with all types of books, encyclopaedias and booklets useful for any studious researcher or activist. A resident-in-research fellowship is also offered on behalf of this library to the interested researchers who wish to use this library.

This library being run by Prabodhini has been recognised by the Government of Maharashtra and it has been digitised too. It is replete with a rich collection of books and encyclopaedias as well as booklets dedicated to a wide variety of subjects and newspaper cuttings. The researchers and readers belonging to other states also use this facility because besides books in Marathi, the library also stocks books written in Hindi and English.

During the year of this report under consideration, a total of 15 cultural programmes comprising 6 educative and enlightening, 2 workshops and 7 other functions were organised which include initiatives such as Samvaad Sabha (Editor's Meet), Book Publication, Vaachak Prerana Din (Readers' Inspiration Day), Plant Sowing and Cultivation Day, Marathi Language Day, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Death Anniversary and Book-Exhibition were undertaken under the able direction of dignitaries like Keshav Upadhye, Ramesh Patange, Ravindra Sathe, Prof. Avinash Kolhe and Swati Patankar.

Several distinguished personalities have paid a visit to this library which is gifted with ultra-modern facilities. These prominent men and women include Dilip Chaware, Sarang Darshane, Shrikant Ranganekar, Prof. T.K. Sargar (Kolhapur), N. H. Atre, Major-General Shishir Mahajan (Pune), Jayant Gore (Thane), Vijayrao Bhalerao (Aurangabad), Prabhakar Tikekar, Sharad Kale (Yashwantrao Chavan Pratishthan), Dr. Kantilal Tatiya (Nandurbar), Dr. Dharmaji Bodake (Nasik), Vishwas Deshpande (Jalgaon), Rupali Rakshe (Satara), Shanta Narkar (Devrukh), Dr. Pradnya Deshpande (Nagpur), Vidyadhar Nimkar (Thane), Dr. Sachin Pachorkar (Nasik), Vrushali Mande (Ahmadnagar), Prof. Madhusudan Pendse (Mumbai), Jagdishchandra Patil (Buldhana), Dr. Manisha Tikekar (Mumbai) and Prof. B. K. Hedau (Nagpur).

On 17th March, 2019, under a joint initiative between Pune Marathi Granthalaya (Library) and Granthalaya Bharati, a gathering of founders and trustees of public libraries, their office-bearers and employees was organised. Dilip Navele, librarian at Prabodhini, spoke at length about 'Initiatives by Library at RMP' during this public gathering.

4.2. Residence-in-Research Fellowship

During the year under consideration of this report, Prachi Sathe (Mumbai), Prof. Sachin Bansod (Nagpur), Shridhar Sonrao Aghad (Beed) and Dattatreya Choudhari (Pune) benefited from using this library under the 'Residence-in-Research Fellowship' scheme.

4.3. Participation by the Librarians of Prabodhini

The librarians of Prabodhini, Dilip Navele and Dilip Valavi participated in the three different workshops - the 'School Librarians Competence Enhancement Workshop' conducted on 4th and 5th August, 2018 in Pune; the 'Library Assistance Scheme Workshop' organised by the Rajaram Mohan Roy Library Foundation conducted on the 2nd October, 2018 and in the 'Librarian Competence Workshop' organised in Pune between 25th to 27th October, 2018.

Employees of Library were present at the 'Granthotsav 2018', an annual event related to the books and encyclopaedias, organised on 10th and 11th December 2018, through a joint effort made by the Directorate of Libraries, Maharashtra, Mumbai and the Office of the District Library Officer.

Library staff was also present at various other events related to library science and functions conducted in Maharashtra, like the 'Ratnagiri District Library Conference' held on 5th and 6th January 2019; the 'Swatantryaveer Savarkar Sahitya Sammelan' organised at Dhule on 2nd February, 2019 and the 'Raigad District Library Conference' organised at Mhasala on 17th February, 2019.

4.4. A workshop for the Office-bearers of Public Libraries

The contribution made bypublic libraries to the social life of the Maharashtra is truly extraordinary. With the active participation of the employees and other staff members of the public libraries, a two-day workshop was organised on 28th and 29th July, 2018 on "Making public libraries more reader-centric and modern."

The main objective behind organising this workshop was to accomplish modernisation of the libraries, identifying the needs of the regular & irregular readers at libraries as also those not approaching libraries, the means to satisfy such needs, giving information about the changes that may have occurred in such means and improving the overall efficiency and competence of the libraries to undertake the necessary initiatives etc.

The workshop was inaugurated by retired Director General of Libraries, Maharashtra Dr. B. A. Sananse. One office-bearer each from 24 public libraries of Maharashtra participated in this workshop in which valuable guidance & other inputs were provided on seven important aspects of library science by several distinguished dignitaries and domain experts such as Madhav Bhandari, Shyam Joshi, Dr. Pratibha Gokhale, Dr. Meena Shiledar, Ganesh Vetal, Shripal Nahata and Omkar Kadu.

During the concluding session, Dr. Pratibha Gokhale and Dilip Navele took cognisance of the feedback and opinions on the workshop and distributed certificates of participation.

4.5. A Workshop to Enhance the Competence of the Librarians of Schools

A two-day workshop was organised on 20th and 21st October, 2018 for the librarians of schools, considering the significance of the contribution made by a school-library and its librarian in the enhancement of merit of the education provided in a school and indirectly also in the psychological and intellectual development of the students of a school.

Shekhar Kulkarni inaugurated the event. 15 librarians belonging to various school libraries participated. Valuable guidance was provided in this workshop regarding the past, present and future of school libraries, responsibility and role of the school librarian, communication skills, personality development, importance of a computer in the library management and preservation and enhancement of the books and encyclopaedias stocked in a library etc.

Several distinguished domain experts such as Shekhar Kulkarni, Dr. Sushama Paudwal, Swati Mahalank, Ravindra Sathe, Sanjay Sakpal, Madhav Shirwalkar, Omkar Kadu and Shyam Joshi delivered lectures in this workshop.

The feedback from participants was very positive and encouraging. They said, "The concept of the workshop was excellent and comprehensive. We received intensive knowledge about the role and responsibilities of a librarian. All the subjects were presented in an insightful and authoritative manner before us. We can bring about a radical transformation in our style of working with the help of such a workshop. We could learn substantially because this is truly a commendable initiative implemented for the librarians of school libraries".

| Library Material | | | |
|---|----------|--|--|
| Type of Material | Quantity | | |
| Books (Hindi Marathi & English) | 16159 | | |
| Booklets (Reference material on various subjects) | 3612 | | |
| Rare newspaper cuttings | 90000 | | |
| Audio cassettes | 709 | | |
| Video cassettes | 227 | | |
| CDs | 752 | | |
| Rare newspapers | 63 | | |
| Maps | 12 | | |
| Journals | 1110 | | |

5. Initiatives at Knowledge-Excellence Centre

5.1. Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Mahaparinirvaan Din

A programme was organised at Uttan, Bhayander, on 6th December, 2018, on account of Mahaparinirvaan Din i.e. Death Anniversary architect Constitution of India, Bharat Ratna Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar. On this occasion, Prof. Avinash Kolhe presented his thoughts on 'The Historical Background of the Constitution of India'. He threw light on how Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar stood up to the challenge involved in composing the constitution for newly independent India while overcoming the hurdles he had to encounter in the backdrop of the historical events happening at that time. 130 students from colleges from surrounding areas of Prabodhini were present on this occasion.

5.2. Pramod Mahajan Death Anniversary

Prabodhini observed the death anniversary of its former chairman Pramod Mahajan on 3rd May, 2018. The spokes person of Maharashtra BJP, Keshav Upadhye was invited to speak on the "Life and Times of Pramod Mahajan". He shared several experiences while actively working with him. Upadhye narrated how Pramod Mahajan first waged a battle against injustice and poverty and later a battle with his rivals in politics. Pramod Mahajan would never think it was below his dignity to take opinions of his associates into consideration and always granted due respect to their views. He was gifted with the ability to visualise amazing dreams because he was originally a valiant fighter. He was endowed with the commendable art of taking everyone around him ahead in life. Pramod Mahajan was a dashing leader in politics. Keshav Upadhye appealed to everyone to try to practice some of these virtues in their lives. 90 participants belonging to various institutions including employees of Prabodhini were present on this occasion.

5.3. Security - Related Training

On 4th May, 2018, Sher Bahadur Yadav and his assistant Apeksha Rawat of S. K. Company offered an exhaustive training to all the employees working at Prabodhini along with the employees of training agencies. There were a total of 57 participants. Topics like using fire extinguishing equipment, gaining control over fire and safety of the personnel affected at the locations gripped by accidental fire were covered.

5.4. Eye-Inspection Camp

A free Eye-Inspection Camp was organised for all the employees of the institutions located in Keshav Srushti such as Ramratna Vidyamandir High School, Uttan Vanaushadhi Sanshodhan Sanstha, Gaushala Parishad, Uttan Krushi Sanshodhan Sanstha etc. on Monday, 7th May, 2018 as a joint initiative of RMP and Janmada Eye and Medical Foundation.

Milind Chalke delivered an introductory speech at this medical camp at the inauguration whereas Milind Betawadkar welcomed and honoured Dr. Vijay Dharwadkar, the Chairman of the Janmada Foundation and a veteran eye specialist. Later, Dr. Vijay Dharwadkar, offered valuable guidance to the audience present at the medical camp about how to take care of the eyes, nutritious diet which one should follow to maintain the strength of eyes and special care one should take while using computers or smartphones.

Eye checkup of total 140 employees was done during this camp among whom 30 employees were given spectacles at a discounted price on a 'No Profit No Loss basis' and 90 others were provided free medicines. Milind Dharwadkar, the Secretary of the Janmada Foundation, thanked Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe and Ravindra Sathe of Prabodhini and assured that he and his foundation will always offer every possible assistance in all the public welfare undertakings adopted by RMP.

5.5. Homage

Veteran social research scientist, Yashwant Thakar, who made valuable contributions to develop the Research Department of Prabodhini and enhance its competency & was also a member of the Management Committee of Prabodhini and Adv. Chintaman Wanga, BJP's distinguished Member of Parliament, sadly parted during the year under consideration of this report he was a member of RMP's General Body. Therefore, homage is being offered to both of them on behalf of the Managing Committee of RMP through this report.

6. Widening Horizons

6.1. Atal Incubation Centre

The Union Government introduced the concept of Atal Incubation Centre (AIC) with the comprehensive objective of augmenting new ideas of fresh enterprise & innovation and thereby foster the creation of new employment opportunities. Accordingly, RMP

undertook a significant step in that directionand set up an Atal Incubation Centre at RMP-KEC. This centre was inaugurated on 20th January, 2018 by Dr. Rajeev Kumar, the Vice Chairman of the Niti Aayog and R. Ramanan, the Director of Atal Innovation Mission.

Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande, Chairman of RMP; Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Vice Chairman of Prabodhini and Mangal Prabhat Lodha, Secretary of RMP and Ravindra Sathe, Director General of RMP were present on this occasion. At this ceremonial function Dr. Sahasrabuddhe asserted that Atal Incubation Centre is a significant milestone in the journey of Prabodhini till date and its several initiatives will receive a fresh impetus through this which will make a further valuable contribution to the overall process of bringing about socio-economic reforms.

Through this centre, Prabodhini aims at rendering advice and training to new entrepreneurs which include the domains of agriculture, information technology and social industries. Prabodhini aims at achieving objectives like encouraging startups in agriculture and industries whereas it aims at helping startups to eliminate their problems, preparing plans and schemes for them, making startups investment-friendly, building a network necessary for the same and bringing about a union or a network of them.

Uday Wankawala is looking after the work in the capacity of the Chief Executive Officer of this centre.

6.2. AIC - A Workshop for Concept to Action

The first training workshop of the Atal Incubation Centre was convened on the 8th and 9th December, 2018. Through an initiative undertaken by the Department of Rural Development of Keshav Srushti, a training of the youth belonging to three tribal Talukas was organised at RMP - KEC. It was inaugurated by Ravi Pokharna, Executive (Administration and Projects) of Prabodhini. On this occasion, Amit Tuteja and Bimal Kedia were present. In all 70 participants participated in this training workshop out of which 40 participants belonged to Wada, Vikramgad and Jawhar talukas apart from a few other from Mumbai suburbs. At the beginning of this training workshop Amit Tuteja formed groups of these participants and they were assigned the task of choosing any single village from any one of these talukas and discuss and analyse among themselves the problems confronted by that village.

A variety of charts were deployed for the purpose of such an analysis. The participants were taught to identify a variety of problems confronting a given village and were trained how to choose them using various methods as well as how to classify these problems. Besides, knowledge of techniques of scrutinising & analysing the problem & of reaching to conclusions was imparted to these participants.

On the next day, the participants were taught how to identify possible remedies to address these problems and methods of adopting the requisite thought process.

Ravi Pokharna offered them detailed information about the Incubation Centre whereas Uday Wankawala briefed them about the assistance this centre can provide. The workshop concluded with setting up of an exhibition by the participants and with their personal sharing of experiences.

6.3. Institute of Inclusive Governance, Hyderabad

From December 2017, at Hyderabad, the Institute of Inclusive Governance (IIGH) became functional through the medium of RMP. Two special programmes were organised on behalf of this institute during the year under consideration of this report. A two-day training programme was organised on the 24th and 25th September, 2018 which was meant for the personal assistants to the leaders. 42 participants participated in this training programme. Experts invited on this occasion discussed various topics such as Office Management, Personality Development and Use of Information Technology etc.

Concluding speech of this workshop was offered by P. Muralimanohar, a member of the NCERT. On 29th October, a national workshop was organised on behalf of IIGH aboute Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013. 142 representatives participated in this workshop which included representatives from educational and professional institutions, labour unions and women representatives and activists from government offices.

This workshop was inaugurated by Meena Hariharan, the Head of the Department of Psychology from the Hyderabad University. The concluding speech was delivered by Lalita Kumarmangalam, the ex-Chairperson of the National Commission of Women.

Several dignitaries like Usha Singh, Ekka Chandra Shekharji, Vijaya Devi, Madhavi Devi and Sagar Newase delivered speeches offering valuable inputs and guidance.

6.4. RMP's Solar Powered Digital School Initiative

RMP's associate Harshal Vibhandik is working on digital school initiative through people's participation in Dhule district of Maharashtra for the last two years. Through his efforts more than 1100 schools have been digitised till date.

Dhule being a tribal district in Maharashtra, one of the challenges for digital schools in villages is uninterrupted electricity supply. During the year under report, with the help from ONGC, CSR Funds, Dalal Family Trust, (New Jersey) and small donors, RMP donated solar kits to 74 schools in Dhule District that includes solar panel, battery back-up and electrical panel unit.

With the availability of solar kit, now these ZP schools are able to generate free and uninterrupted electricity supply, which will be helpful to successfully run the digital classrooms.

6.5. Bhoomipujan of Pandit Deendayal Darshan Project

The birth centenary of the pioneer of Ekatma Manavdarshan i.e. the Philosophy of 'Integral Humanism', Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay was celebrated ceremoniously throughout the country. As part of continuing commemoration, with the help of Cultural Ministry of the Union Government, a project called 'Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Darshan' has been undertaken at Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini. The auspicious ceremony of the Bhoomipujan was conducted on 26th October, 2018. Dr. Mohanrao Bhagwat, Sarsanghachalak, (RSS Chief) was the chief guest present at this occasion along with the General Secretary of RSS, Bhaiyyaji Joshi and the Joint General Secretary of RSS, Dr. Krishna Gopal.

This project is being undertaken within the Training Complex premises of the Prabodhini. A museum displaying the life and journey of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay will be set up as a part of this proje

6.6. Training for Skills Development

After signing a Memorandum of Understanding with the NSDC in the year 2016, RMP continued to implement the undertakings meant for skills development at the District Skills Development Centre, located at Kalyan. During the current year, Prabodhiniwill participate in two mega schemes viz. the 'Pramod Mahajan Movement for Skills and Enterprise Development' and the 'Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Civil Employment Opportunities Movement'. Following chart reveals the details of the training programmes conducted under the aegis of these two schemes:

| Pramod Mahajan Skill & Entrepreneurship Development Mission | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Course Name | No of batches | Duration of the course | No. of trained candidates | | | | |
| Accounting | 3 | 4 months | 42 | | | | |
| Assistant Beauty Therapist | 1 | 2 months | 23 | | | | |
| Total | 3 | | 65 | | | | |

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| Course Name | No. of batches | Duration of the course | No. of trained candidates |
| Accounting | 3 | 4 months | 68 |
| Assistant Beauty Therapist | 1 | 2 months | 30 |
| Beauty Therapy & Hair Styling Level -1 | 1 | 6 months | 27 |
| Total | 5 | | 125 |

7. Research and Survey

7.1. Evaluation and Review of the Ujjwala Scheme

A national conference was organised by RMP on December 10, 2018 in Mumbai. This conference was for identifying and discussing the contribution made by the Ujjwala Scheme in the rural life. Interviews of a few women belonging to the urban and rural strata of society residing in the Thane district of Maharashtra and who were the beneficiaries of the Ujjwala scheme were conducted prior to this national conference. Through these interviews of the beneficiary women, a comprehensive survey about the execution of this scheme was carried out, in September 2018. For this purpose, interviews of 810 beneficiary women of this scheme belonging to Ulhasnagar and Thane talukas were conducted. The aspects taken under review during this survey included the benefits accruing to women because of this scheme, the amount of time they were being able to save because of this scheme and how they were managing it now, the benefits for their health, monetary savings resulting from this scheme and above all improvement in their self-esteem.

A detailed report was drafted based on the feedback received from these beneficiary women and the suggestions made by them which was later submitted on behalf of Prabodhini to the Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan.

7.2. A Study of the Measures Against Sexual Exploitation and Misbehaviour with Children

It is indeed unfortunate that several incidents of sexual exploitation of children and also of inflicting physical torture are happening in our country. Even the Government run Ashram-schools located in Adivasi areas, Jawhar Navodaya Vidyalayas (JNV) and Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBV) are not an exception to this.

It was in this background Prabodhini undertook a study project during the year under consideration of this report with the active cooperation of the National Commission for the Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR). During this research project, a comprehensive and intensive study of the cases of affected children belonging to 433 schools which included 224 Government-run Ashram-schools, 29 JNV schools and 180 KGBV schools was conducted.

An in-depth study of various aspects such as the environment prevailing in the schools where these children were studying, the misbehaviour happening with them at their homes, measures which need to be undertaken against their physical and sexual abuse, measures to provide safe and secured environment to them to prevent such an abuse and the deficiencies involved in implementing such measures was undertaken. Needless to say, this study also includes the recommendations made. The task of drafting this report is in its final stages and soon it will be tendered before the concerned department of the government.

7.3. Evaluation and Review of the Rupay Card

Bank accounts of crores of people were opened under the 'Jan-Dhan Yojana' after Narendra Modi government came in power in 2014. The account holders of these bank accounts, i.e. the beneficiaries of this scheme, were given 'Rupay Cards' for them to handle their bank transactions. A research project has been undertaken to evaluate and review the effectiveness of this scheme and the facility of the Rupay Card made available through it.

The Research and Development Fund of NABARD has offered help for this project and Adarsh Katuraga, youth researcher-activist of the 'Solace Institution' from Kolkata, is going to conduct a study of 500 such beneficiaries belonging to the states of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

7.4. Rapid Review and Study of the 'Jalyukt-Shivar Movement'

The Government of Maharashtra launched an ambitious programme called Jalyukt Shivar Abhiyaan' with the objective of preparing a well-planned schedule of action in an integrated manner to increase the availability of water for farmers and to free state from scarcity of water. Accordingly, under the auspices of this movement, public utility works were undertaken in 6,202 villages during the year 2015-16; in 5,288 villages during the year 1016-17 and in 5,028 villages during the year 2017-18 which means total 16,518 villages were covered through this movement. The 'Jalyukt Shivaar Abhiyaan' is being implemented in Maharashtra since 2014-15. Therefore the task of conducting a review of the impact of this movement, using a method of quick assessment of a variety of elements which were existing before the movement was launched and the changes that have occurred was entrusted by the government-run institution YASHADA in Pune to Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini.

During the course of the first phase of this review and study project, the surveyors employed by Prabodhini paid direct visits to the 144 villages belonging to the 36 talukas of the 11 districts spread across 6 revenue divisions of Maharashtra. Interviews of a total 1452 individuals were conducted to understand their opinion about the movement and the changes happening in their villages. During the second phase of this project, the surveyors chose to meet 636 families which included 544 farmers' families and 92 landless labour families belonging to the selected 18 villages from among those mentioned above to comprehend both the positive and negative changes happening to their lives because of this movement. Thus, this project was started on 25th September 2018 and went on till 30th January 2019 after which the conclusive report based on the survey conducted and information gathered and submitted to YASHADA.

7.5. Farm Pond on Demand

'Farm Pond on Demand' is an ambitious scheme introduced by the Maharashtra government under which its beneficiaries are mandatorily required by a government directive to get a on-the-spot survey conducted and inspected from an impartial third-party institution. Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini has been designated and appointed as an impartial third-party organisation for conducting such a survey and inspection. Prior to this, Prabodhini had already conducted such on-the-spot reviews and inspectioned of the farm ponds created under this scheme in Chandrapur and Pune districts in January 2017 to December 2017 respectively. Thus Prabodhini was conducted an inspection of a total of 657 farm ponds which included 154 farm ponds located in Chandrapur district and 503 farm ponds located in Pune district.

Considering the prior experience of Prabodhini in this context, the state government entrusted the task of conducting such on-the-spot survey and inspection of the farm ponds already designed and set up in the state. It was expected to conduct a review of 5% sample of the farm ponds constructed till the date 30th September 2017. Thus, Prabodhini actually conducted such a review of 2,214 far-ponds set up in various villages spread over 287 talukas belonging to 34 districts across 6 revenue divisions of Maharashtra. This sample size of the farm ponds inspected was identified by the Soil Conservation Department of Government of Maharashtra.

RMP paid direct visits to all the farm ponds constructed in all districts throughout Maharashtra during the period between April to June 2018 with the purpose of conducting an on-the-spot inspection, review and evaluation. A comprehensive report was drafted thereafter based on the information gathered using a defined set of questions asked during the field visits and was submitted to the state government in August 2018. It has been accepted by the state government and found total satisfactory.

7.6. Booklet about Jalyukt Shivar Yojana (Scheme)

The task of designing a booklet which renders full information gathered after conducting a scientific research and survey of the impact made by a variety of measures undertaken by the state government and the social change brought about thereby in the context of the 'Jalyukt Shivar Yojana', as well as the successful movement launched by the state government in this regard has been entrusted to RMP. Various significant tasks involved in this whole project were firstly, collecting all the official information pertaining to this movement from all the concerned departments of the government; secondly, gathering the necessary information by paying a direct visit to the actual locations wherever the situation may demand and thirdly, composing the text of the related technical information by seeking the help of the concerned technical experts visiting such sites etc. The work of this project started on 5th December 2018 and now it has reached up to its final stage of completion. A sample report of this booklet has been drafted and it is ready for inspection from the department concerned. After obtaining its approval the final draft of the report booklet shall be produced.

7.7. Review and Evaluation of Nagpur Division Irrigation Wells

During the winter session of 2015, the Chief Minister of Maharashtra had sought a review of all development projects in all 11 districts of Vidarbha. During the planning

and review meeting held in this context, the representatives of people and the administrative officers informed him that, as the groundwater table in all the five districts of the eastern section of Vidarbha region was substantially high, it would be possible to increase the number of wells to accomplish a substantial growth in the irrigable land using these wells. Accordingly, a decision to implement a robust scheme of constructing 11,000 irrigation wells across the five districts of Nagpur division was taken by granting approval to the proposed irrigation wells from the planning department. RMP was appointed and designated as an independent third-party institution for conducting a direct review and evaluation of these irrigation wells finally constructed under the auspices of this scheme and the task of conducting a review of 20% of such wells constructed already was entrusted to RMP.

This task commenced on 20th January 2019. The surveyors of RMP completed personally met 2019 beneficiaries of this scheme spread across 1,401 villages located in the 56 talukas belonging to 5 districts for gathering first-hand information. They also personally inspected the wells by paying a visit to their respective locations.

The job of writing a comprehensive report based on the information gathered through this huge exercise has been completed. Very soon, the final draft of this report will be written and submitted to the concerned authorities after receiving their approval for the same.

On behalf of Prabodhini, Pankaj Gautam was the Chief Project Co-ordinator for all these projects whereas Pramod Sadolikar from Pune was the expert researcher. Jayant Patil from Pune rendered his valuable services, for the project of composing the text of 'Booklet for the Jalyukt Shivar Yojana' and also in the capacities of an expert researcher and consultant for the evaluation of the ambitious project of Irrigation Wells.

7.8. Survey Regarding Maratha Reservation

Owing to the issue of reservation for Maratha community becoming volatile, government of Maharashtra conducted an in-depth survey, to assess whether the social reality on the ground warrants granting reservation to the Maratha community. This survey was conducted for the Maharashtra Backward Class Commission. A part of this task, to conduct a survey of the social, educational and economic backwardness of the Maratha community located and spread in the Konkan region, was entrusted to RMP. Prabodhini successfully undertook and completed this survey.

Prabodhini conducted a comprehensive survey in four districts of the Konkan region viz. Raigad, Sindhudurga, Ratnagiri and Thane. Five talukas from each of the above mentioned districts were selected for this purpose and two villages, one municipal corporation and one municipal council were taken into consideration for the sample survey. The criteria for the two sets of villages was the population size below thousand for the first village and the population size between 1000 to 3000 for the second set of villages. Thus the total size of the survey included 40 villages and one municipal corporation and one municipal council.

The entire survey was conducted with a home-centric approach. The group of surveyors hired by Prabodhini paid a visit to each Maratha family in all the 40 villages to note their feedback and reactions. On the whole, 6,150 such families were taken into consideration for gathering this information. All the information was gathered between April to August 2018. A report based on it was drafted and sent to the Maharashtra Backward Class Commission for final approval.

8 RMP International

8.1. For Achieving the Objective of Sustainable Development

Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini has been closely associated with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) and since 2006, it has been designated as a Special Consultant in the group of the Non-Government Organisations functioning worldwide. In line with this vital role, RMP conducted a comprehensive discussion with prominent researchers, social activists and institutions on the process of development, specifically to define the objectives of sustainable development before the country, to decide a time-bound plan of action to accomplish these objectives and the accurate method for implementing the same as well as the manner of implementation. It was through deliberation that it became imperative that a separate body of coordination be set up to reach out to the institutions recognised by the United Nations which are dealing with the domain of sustainable development.

The Vice-Chairman of the NITI Aayog, Dr. Rajiv Kumar, had participated in the high-level political meeting of the United Nations headquarters in New York in July 2018. At that time, he seriously felt it necessary to shed light over the objectives of sustainable development and development of this issue over the dais of United Nations to attract the attention of UN in the context of India. Thereafter Prabodhini took a serious initiative in this regard according to the guidance of Asoke Mookherjee, former permanent

representative of India in the UN and designed a plan for the proposed Round Table Meet. This meeting was convened on the 13th March 2019 at the office of the NITI Aayog in New Delhi. RMP identified those deserving NGOs from across the country in the process of developmentand invited them to attend and participate in this meet held at New Delhi. The central theme of this half-day round table meet, organised as a joint initiative of Prabodhini and the NITI Aayog was 'To empower the people for the fulfilment of the objective of sustainable development and ensuring their active participation in this process of development on the basis of comprehensive and egalitarian justice'. 26 representatives, including 17 men and 9 women, From 13 such NGOs participated. These representatives belonged to all such NGOs actively committed to the cause of augmenting the process for achieving the objective of sustainable development. Light was shed on 5 most significant objectives of sustainable development in this conference which included the following: 1) Freedom from Starvation, 2) Excellent Health and Peaceful Lifestyle, 3) Meritorious Education, 4) Gender Equality and 5) Excellent Sanitation and Provision of Clean Water.

Ravindra Sathe made an introductory speech in which he not only revealed in detail the background and the thought process behind organising such a conference but also narrated the future course of action envisaged by Prabodhini. Thereafter Asoke Mookherjee expressed his thoughts in this regard. He offered valuable inputs regarding the objectives of sustainable development, the evolution of the concept of development taking place throughout the world and India's standpoint in this regard at the International level. In his speech, Dr. Rajiv Kumar, said the main focus will have to be on the supply of nutrition-rich diet and the aspects related to it, for accomplishing the objectives of sustainable development. He also stressed that since these objectives have a strong bearing upon the everyday lives of these people, one needs to reach out to the common people across the country to create an awareness among them.

Ravi Pokharna also expressed his thoughts in this regard at this conference. He said, "This conference has been convened with two main motives in mind - to take stock of the work done already at the institutional level on the accomplishment of the objectives of sustainable development and to evaluate and review the work done by the government itself for the fulfilment of these objectives of sustainable development set forth by Prabodhini. For both these purposes this conference is useful and significant, for both the institutions, viz. RMP and NITI Aayog". After his speech, all the representatives made presentations on the work undertaken by their institutions respectively and explained their own individual experiences and the lessons they had

learnt through it. Detailed information on the efforts being undertaken and the initiatives being implemented even by Prabodhini for the fulfilment of these objectives was rendered. A separate presentation was also made by NITI Aayog delineating their own experiences and observations. This entire exchange of thoughts brought several new ideas forward.

Prabodhini has received a glorious opportunity to attend and participate in a conference based on the same theme scheduled to be organised at the headquarters of the United Nations in New York and Prabodhini desires to dedicate itself to get associated with NITI Aayog regarding such important projects.

8.2. Indo-China Institutional Relations

Thanks to the invitation sent by the Hainan Institute for World Watch (HIWW) in China and the Academy for World Watch (AWW) in Shanghai, DirectorGeneral of RMP Ravindra Sathe, had paid a visit to Shanghai in May 2018 to deliver a lecture there. During this visit to China he made a presentation on Issues before Parliamentary Elections in India – 2019' before a few selected professors from Fudan University and some of the researchers of both the above mentioned institutions. During this visit he held a discussion with some of the office bearers of these institutions and it was agreed and decided between both of them to send a group of researchers on behalf of their respective institutions in each other's country and thereby foster the institutional relations between both these prominent institutions. Accordingly, a group of researchers did pay a visit to Shanghai between 27th November 2018 to 2nd December 2018 under the leadership of Ravi Pokharna. Adv. Ranjeet Sangle, Suraj Choudhari, Milind Dharwadkar (Maharashtra), Dr. Divya Gupta (Madhya Pradesh) Amber Swami (Delhi) and Dr Sandeep Mawa (Jammu and Kashmir) were the other members of this study group. These representatives of Prabodhini got an opportunity to have a dialogue with the researchers, intellectuals and experts of both, AWW and Shanghai Institute for International Studies. During this visit this study group paid a visit to the ancient Buddhist temple in Shanghai and a few other development projects. This study tour was successfully conducted, thanks to the cooperation of Lui Bo, the Chairman of AWW, its Vice Chairman U Zian Dog, Research scientist Ziang Jiang and Assistant Research Head Dr. Xiaolin.

8.3. Film Show and Free Dialogue

Every year 30th November commemorated as the day of departure of Jews from the Arab lands. It was on this day that the Jewish people were expelled from their

motherland in the 20th century. Consecutively for the second year, a film followed by a discussion, was conducted on behalf of the Consulate of Israel in Mumbai with the active cooperation offered by RMP. In a programme organised on 4th December 2018, at the Vivekanand Education Society's Institute of Management Studies in Chembur, a screening of the movie 'Shadow in Baghdad' was held and thereafter dialogue with the producer of this film, Ms. Linda Menuhine, was organised. 150 people were present comprising students, Israel citizens and staff from Israeli consulate in Mumbai. The Consul General of Israel in Mumbai, Yaakov Finkelstein was also present for the event.

8.4. Visit by Dr. John Akec

Dr John Akec, Vice Chancellor of the University of Juba, South Sudan visited Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini campus and conducted a session on South Sudan with IIDL students on 25 August 2018. He was accompanied by Renu Prithiani, Regional Officer of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR).

9. Centre for Institution Building and Leadership Studies, Pune

In the period from April 2018 to March 2019 a total of 8 training workshops were organised on behalf of CIBLS. The details are as follows:

9.1. Training Workshop of Office-Bearers and Activists

A training workshop for the office-bearers and activists of the Maharashtra Newspaper Selling Vendors' Union was organised at RMP-KEC during 6th, 7th and 8th April 2018. The main objectives behind organising this workshop included explaining the concept of a union to the activists, developing a positive attitude about their work, implementing development oriented attitude, fostering professionalism in their behaviour, nurturing administrative skills, building the union and developing a leadership competence among them. Lectures, in accordance with these objectives, were organised by experts like Arvind Rege, Shriram Patwardhan, Vivek Atre, Makrand Joshi, Sachin Salunkhe and Anil Patil. On the whole 40 members participated in this training workshop.

9.2. Competency Development Training Programme of Teachers

A two days training programme was organised for the school teachers of the A.G. High School run by the Dapoli Education Society in the Ratnagiri district with the objective of explaining their role and responsibility in today's competitive times. Lectures were

conducted on the theme of fostering a positive attitude among the school teachers to bring about modernisation in their overall style of teaching and learning and to develop their overall competency. 90 teachers from the primary and secondary sections participated in this training programme. Subject experts like Vivek Atre, Jagdish Indalkar and Shyam Bhurke guided the participants on personality development, annual planning, self-analysis and communication skills. Shriram Majlekar, the Vice-Chairman of the Dapoli Education Society and its Secretary Dr. Prasad Karmarkar and Nilima Deshmukh were present at this workshop.

9.3. Leadership Development Programme for Teachers

On 15th, 16th and 17th June a 'Leadership Development Workshop' was organised in Mumbai for the school teachers by 'Tilaknagar Shikshan Prasarak Mandal' from Dombivli. Various expert speakers like Bhavana Lele, Jagdish Indalkar, Bhausaheb Ghadage, Dr. Meena Shiledar and Swati Mahalank delivered lectures on developing competency of teachers in terms of fostering leadership qualities among teachers, introducing innovative methods of imparting knowledge and style of teaching, all-round evaluation, building a united team and interpersonal relations. Conducted over a period of two and a half days, 61 teachers from the primary and secondary sections of the school participated in this workshop. Chairman of the trust Dr. Shubhada Joshi, Executive Chairman Shrikant Pavgi, Secretary Dr. Mahesh Thakur and Ashirwad Bondre were present at this workshop.

9.4. Workshop for Enrichment of School Librarians:

'Library' is a significant and also an inseparable element in the development of the school and its students. The libraries located in schools need to be up-to-date to inculcate the habit of reading along with developing the personality and skill-sets of Librarians.

Taking into consideration the dearth of endeavours for development of the competency and skills of the school librarians, a 'Workshop for Enrichment of School Librarians' was organised by CIBLS, Pune. This workshop was conducted on 4th and 5th August 2018. Sessions were organised on topics like personality development, various initiatives to foster the habit of reading and developing a comprehensive culture of reading, using technology for the modernisation of school libraries and the challenges for the school librarians. Pradip Lokhande, who holds the credit of successfully setting up a network of several libraries in various states and Kedar Tapikar who has the credit of making a significant contribution in setting school-based libraries under the auspices of 'Akshar

Bharati Initiative' narrated stories of their glorious success to the participants of this workshop. Shyam Joshi gave detailed information in his speech about several innovative experiments and undertakings through which the librarians can actively participate in the shaping of emotional and intellectual strength of the students. Thus, the librarians got several useful and important tips about searching for productive information which the teachers or students may be needing on internet and the variety of means easily accessible to them for this purpose. Domain experts like Prof. Charudatta Nimkar, Shyam Joshi, Swati Mahalank, and Dr. Shubhada Nagarkar also guided the participants. 43 librarians belonging to the 40 different schools run by 33 different educational institutions spread over Pune, Mumbai, Thane, Palghar, Nasik, Sangli, Kolhapur, Akola and Raigad districts participated in this workshop.

9.5. Leadership Development Workshop

One of the fundamental objectives of Prabodhini since its inception has been organising a 'Leadership Development Workshop', as a part of its conscious efforts for the purpose of assisting a variety of men and women functioning in several domains of society to foster leadership skills, particularly to help the youth develop their leadership skills. Therefore, this workshop is organised every year on behalf of CIBLS. Even during the current year, this workshop was organised in three batches of two days each across three months viz. 8th and 9th September, 2018; 6th and 7th October, 2018; and 17th and 18th November, 2018. 43 participants from Pune, Sangli, Raigad, Beed, Aurangabad, Nasik, Latur, Mumbai, Nanded, Kolhapur and Thane districts participated in this workshop.

In the first phase of this workshop, held on 8th and 9th September, 2018, lectures on topics like self-image, inspiration, personality development, its concept, creativity and innovation and communication skills were delivered. During the course of this workshop, the participants made demonstrations and presentations of communication skills. During this phase of the workshop, domain experts like Dr. Aruna Kaulgud, Vinda Bal, Dr. Deepak Gupte and the Executive Officer of CIBLS, Swati Mahalank delivered lectures.

The second phase of this workshop was conducted on the 6th and 7th October, 2018. Heeding to the proactive demand by the participants, two more speeches shedding light over different facets of personality- development were scheduled. The theme of this second phase of the workshop was SWOT analysis and Goal-setting. These topics were dealt with by experts, followed by discussions. Sharad Sunkar, Dr. Ashutosh Misal, Dr. Yashodhara Bhalerao, Ashish Tagade, Dr. Aruna Kaulgud and Swati Mahalank were the resource persons for this leg.

During the second phase of the workshop, Ravindra Sathe and Ravi Pokharna paid a visit and had a dialogue with the participants. In his speech Ravindra Sathe said, "Taking conscious efforts to foster & cultivate leadership skills regularly over a long period of time is vitally necessary in order to become successful in any domain of professional life. It is for this purpose, communication skills and large-scale public relations can prove to be a key to earn success. At the same time, one must also develop the necessary skills to understand the body language of the opposite person." Ravi Pokharna spoke about how he reached up to developing a warm relationship with Prabodhini despite coming from the IT sector. He also explained about the various initiatives undertaken by Prabodhini and how they can prove to be extremely useful for the purpose of enriching one's own life.

The third and the last phase of this workshop was conducted on 17th and 18th November, 2018 in which sessions on interpersonal skills, media management, body language, disaster management, conflict and stress management were dealt with. The participants actively participated and perform the exercises during the experimental demonstrations conducted by him at this time. Ravindra Sathe, Vivek Yatnalkar, Prof. Charudatta Nimkar and Swati Mahalank conducted sessions during this phase of the workshop.

The Chief Editor of Maharashtra Times' Pune Edition, Parag Karandikar, was invited as the Guest of Honour at the concluding session of this workshop. In his address, he said, 'To focus over skill-set development, enhancing one's own skills through a variety of training workshops and accordingly equipping oneself is the need of the hour when new technology and fresh challenges are confronting us. It is indeed a matter worth appreciating that Prabodhini has laid a stress over conducting such training workshops while recognising this dire need of the changing times."

9.6. Workshop for Enrichment of Librarians:

A'Workshop for Enrichment of Librarians' was organised for Deccan Education Society (DES) from Pune in which 53 school librarians as well as their assistants belonging to the 40 institutions of DES. This workshop was organised at Fergusson College in Pune on 25th, 26th and 27th October, 2018. The inauguration of this workshop was conducted by lighting a lamp at the hands of retired librarian of the Pune University and an expert in library science, Dr. S. G. Mahajan. Chairman of the Deccan Education Society Dr. Sharad Kunte and Swati Mahalank were also present. Guidance on topics such as personality development, communication skills, need to implement modern technology

to confront the new challenges posed by the changing times, undertaking a preparation for the same, management of public relations and undertaking innovative projects for cultivating the culture of reading were rendered during this workshop. Domain experts of library science offered detailed guidance regarding 'Building a Reference Library' and 'Making a library up-to-date for meeting the requirements of NAAC'. Dilip Navele, Prabodhini's librarian also participated in the dialogue between the distinguished guests and the participants of this workshop. Talks by experts like Dr. S. G. Mahajan, Dr. Dharmaraj Veer, Dr. Shubhada Nagarkar, Dr. Vandana Shelar, Prof. Charudatta Nimkar, Prasad Bhadsawale and Pradip Lokhande enriched the participants. This workshop, included dialogues, demonstrations and Power Point presentations.

9.7. Leadership Development Workshop

A'Leadership Development Workshop' was organised by the W.T.E. Company located at Bhosari near Pune for its employees. Self-analysis, leadership development, team building, interpersonal relations, work culture, communication skills and public relations were the topics offered in this workshop. Ravindra Sathe, Dr. Deepak Gupte, Dr. Neelima Apte, Prof. Charudatta Nimkar and Swati Mahalank guided the participants of this workshop. 20 employees of this company attended this workshop.

9.8. Communication Skills and Public Relations Management

A three-day workshop about 'Communication Skills and Management of Public Relations' was organised in Pune. Various domain experts offered valuable guidance regarding several topics such as developing oratory skills, enhancing communication skills, voice-modulation, need for public relations, using social media and opportunities in the field. Live demonstrations were also conducted as a part of the workshop. Shivraj Gorle, Mukund Nadgauda, Anna Bodade, Dr. Datta Kohinkar, Swati Mahalank and Col. (retd.) Vinayak Tambekar delivered insightful speeches at this workshop. During his informative and invigorating speech Col. Tambekar shared his experiences working as an officer for public relations of the Indian Army. Gathering information about several confidential matters without letting anyone get to know about them, keeping the senior officers informed about the same and obtaining further instructions from them and implementing the same. Col. Vinayak Tambekar also went on to share several experiences about the days of wars he had witnessed with the participants present at this workshop.

10. Snehabandha (Friendly Associates)

10.1. Knowledge-Excellence Centre: A New Bond with Entrepreneurs

RMP-KEC is increasingly becoming popular as a sought-after training destination for corporates and NGOs. Several entrepreneurs from the commercial world as well as social and spiritual domains are drawing benefits from the facilities being made available at this centre. Leading organisations related from sectors like energy, education, engineering, chemical and management sectors are the beneficiaries of the centre.

Larsen and Toubro Electricals and Automation, Pidilite Industries Ltd., A. N. Shah Associates, Ratan Polyplast, N.G.C.O., Bombay Chartered Accountants Society, Magisco Software Solutions India Ltd., National Council for Promotion of Sindhi Language (New Delhi), Maharashtra Electricity Transmission Company Ltd., and Thane Janata Sahakari Bank are some of the prominent corporate institutions who have availed the amenities and facilities available at the RMP-KEC.

Chetana College, St. Francis Institute of Management and Research, Mumbai Education Trust and Vivekananda Education Society are examples of some of the educational institutions which annually conduct their outbound training programmes at RMP-KEC.

Voluntary organisations who avail of the RMP-KEC facilities are Education for Emancipation Trust, Teach India, Save Children Sadhana Trust, Origami Friends, Fight Against Hunger Foundation, Shelled Foundation, The Lord Jagannath Trust, Hema Foundation, Kutch Yuvak Sangh, You and I Trust, Brahmavidya Sadhak Sangh, Parivartan Mahila Sanstha, Mumbai Grahak Panchayat and Arsh Vidya Foundation.

Besides this, 'YASHADA', a premier Government-run training organisation, also conducts training programmes in various batches at Prabodhini for the newly elected Gram-Panchayat and Zilla Parishad members and Sarpanches. Nine such training programmes were organised with the participation of 553 elected members of the local self-government bodies. Apart from these, the Education Department of Maharashtra Government and NCPCR, Delhi have also conducted their training programmes at this centre. It is a matter of pride that several ministers and high-level officers such as Secretaries and DirectorGenerals of various departments of the governmentpaid visit to RMP-KEC during these training programmes.

10.2. | Feel that

This friendship with RMP-KEC has proved to be a soothing experience for the commercial and entrepreneurial world. Not only the tranquil surrounding area but also the hospitable services and facilities being rendered including the quality food, have proved to be some of the elements that have added a new dimension to this everlasting bond of association. Some of the genuine feedback is as follows:

This is the third year of conducting an off-site audit for N. A. Associates at RMP-KEC. We always feel intensely satisfied and delighted after coming here. We not only experience a cheerful atmosphere conducive for learning new things but the quality of the food being served here and the staff are of the excellent degree indeed.

- Milan Modi, Partner, N. A. Associates

We were really surprised after seeing this entire campus. Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini is such a beautiful and scenic location that anybody paying a visit to this place feels captivated. Our stay here was indeed abundant with joy. A wide variety of food was being served every day and it was indeed very tasty. The whole atmosphere full of soothing tranquillity is really nurturing for spirituality. The lodging facility and the training hal are very spacious. Therefore one can undertake a variety of physical exercises also. I am delighted for being here.

- Dr. Mandev Singh, A Doctor pursuing Medical Profession in Germany

Heartiest congratulations to the entire team of RMP. Everything, right from the planning of our event to its completion went off in a very smooth manner, as if the whole sequence was woven in a single thread. In spite of being in this soothing and peaceful atmosphere I felt as if I had reversed the time machine and stepped back into my earlier days of learning management studies in college after noticing the well-equipped facilities of audio-visual presentations available here. The food served here is admirable in terms of variety as well as quality and hygiene. Both the students and the participants of training programmes appear to relish the food here. The overall atmosphere at Prabodhini is not only committed to professionalism but it is highly inspiring and charging for one's personality.

- Dr. Nandita Das, Dean, Chetana Institute of Management and Research

10.3. Appointment of Prabodhini's functionaries in Government Committees

During the annual period under consideration of this report, Ravindra Sathe, has been selected and appointed as a Member of the General body of the National Institute of

Rural Development (NIRD) Institute located at Hyderabad as well as a Member of the Central Empowered Committee (CEC) under RGSA (Rastriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan) of Union Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

Another functionary of Prabodhini, Ravi Pokharna, has been selected and appointed as a Member of General Body of National Rural Livelihoods Promotion Society (NRLPS) of the Union Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

11. Shaping of Leadership

11.1. Commencement of Second Batch of IIDL

IIDL's second batch began with the induction ceremony on 08 July 2019 at RMP's KEC in presence Cabinet Minister Nitin Gadkari and Rajya Sabha MP Narendra Jadhav. 24 students from diverse backgrounds and 10 different states of India were selected to participate in the programme.

The nine-month course began with the orientation week get the students acquainted with the course before starting on with its trimester pattern of the three terms,

- I Politics & Democracy
- ii. Leadership & Management
- iii. Governance & Public Policy

Lectures by Experts

The year saw lectures by prominent academicians and subject experts from their respective fields. To name a few this list includes interactions with Cultural Minister, Govt of India Mahesh Sharma, Forest Minister, Govt of Maharashtra Sudhir Mungantiwar, Former Speaker of Goa Vidhan Sabha Rajendra Arlekar, Loksatta Movement's Surendra Srivastava, Consul General of Israeli Consulate in Mumbai Yaakov Finkelstein, Political Strategist Shubhrasta, Deputy Election Commissioner of Maharashtra Avinash Sanas, BJP-Foreign Affairs Dept in Charge Vijay Chauthaiwale, Executive Director of Chowgule Shipping, Ashok Chowgule, RSS Sah-Prant Pracharak, Bipin Kumar, Author Ratan Sharada, Lt Gen (retd) Shekhatkar, Former Sarpanch Himanshu Patel, National Spokesperson of the BJP Syed Zaffar Islam, Farmer leader Pasha Patel, Chanakya IAS Academy's AK Mishra, former Congress MLA Krishna Hegde, Capt (retd) Smita Gaikwad, National Jt Secy of Aam Admi Party Ruben Mascarenhas, Independent Director of RBI Satish Marathe, ABVP National Organising Secretary Sunil Ambekar, Columnist Shefali Vaidya, Rebel Congress youth leader Shehzad Poonawala, Rebel Aam Admi Party Leader Mayank Gandhi, Author Shantanu Gupta, Economist and Social Media Activist Adv Ashutosh Muglikar.

Field Visits

Classroom lectures and activities were accompanied by visits to Bhayander Police Station, Martyr Kaustubh Rane's home, Global Pagoda, Kanheri Caves, Shiva Sena Leader Manohar Joshi's Office, Visit to Bombay High Court, Ganeshotsav at Keshavji Naik Chawl, Mira Bhayander Municipal Corporation (MBMC), Consulate General of the United States of America, MP Kirit Somaiya's Office, Dadar Chaityabhumi, Sangh Karyalaya, Dharavi Slums, Tribal settlements in Jawhar, Sena Bhavan, BJP Pradesh Karyalaya, MP Gopal Shetty's constituency, Central Railways Headquarters, National Museum of Indian Cinema, and NGO Prerna's centre in Red light area, Grant Road.

Model United Nations and Model Parliament

IIDL also organised two simulations - Model United Nations and Model Parliament for the students to get well versed with the procedures and functioning of the UN and the Indian Parliament. The agenda for discussion at the Model UN was the Israel-Palestine conflict whereas the Model Parliament saw two bills being passed along with regular business which included Question Hour, Special Mention Address and Calling Attention Motion. A unique aspect of this Model Parliament was that apart from the regular businesses simulated in a Model Parliament, perhaps for the first a Model Parliament witness introduction and debate on the budget. Aditya Suhas Lele chaired the Model UN, whereas OP Saklecha, MLA from Madhya Pradesh and Raj K Purohit, MLA and Chief Whip of BJP Maharashtra chaired the Model Parliament.

11.2. National Capital Study Visit

One significant element of this course was to the study tour of the capital city of India, New Delhi which was organised between 3rd and 9th February, 2018.

During this study tour, the participant students received an opportunity to meet various political leaders and other office-bearers. Venkaiah Naidu, Vice President of India; Jitendra Singh, Minister of State for North-East and PMO; Dr. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of Culture; K. C. Tyagi, veteran political leader and National Spokesperson of JD (U); Alok Kumar, International Executive President of Vishwa Hindu Parishad; Asoke Mookherjee, ex-Permanent Representative Ambassador of India in UN; Narendra Chawla, Treasurer of Delhi unit of BJP; Shivraj Singh Chouhan, ex-Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh; Ramlal, Rashtriya Sanghatan Mahamantri of BJP, Navin Sinha, head Sahayog Cell of BJP; Baijayant Panda, Member of Parliament; Meenakshi

Lekhi, Member of Parliament; Atul Jain, Chief Secretary of Deendayal Research Institute and Anirban Ganguly, Director of Dr. Shyamaprasad Mukherjee Research Foundation were the eminent personality with whom the students interacted.

These students also received an opportunity to pay a visit to the politically significant places in New Delhi which included the Parliament; Rashtrapati Bhavan; Sardar Patel Museum; Railway Museum; National Institute of Archaeology; India Gate; Atal Smruti; Deendayal Research Institute; Dr. Shyamaprasad Mukherjee Research Foundation; Rajghat and Mahatma Gandhi Memorial. These students also interacted with civil servants of various ministries and other office bearers of the government. Radha Chouhan, the Chief Executive Officer of the Government E-Marketplace; Rajiv Kumar, the Vice President of the NITI Aayog; and Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson of NCPCR were included among the various significant personalities whom these students sought to meet and hold a dialogue. Also, the students also paid a visit to Asian News Agency (ANI) and held a dialogue with its Chief Editor, Smita Prakash.

11.3. Elections Study

The students went to Madhya Pradesh for their Election Study Tour during the state assembly elections. The students were split into six groups and sent to a constituency each for a week to understand the electoral process from an up close perspective. The students were exposed to electoral management, booth level work, door-to-door canvassing, campaigning and more. The assembly constituencies where our students worked were Sagar, Bhopal, Indore, Hoshangabad, Betul, and Ujjain.

11.4. Israeli Student Exchange Visit

Apart from the regular course-work the IIDL students got to interact with 40 Israeli students when 40 Israeli students visited RMP as a part of academic exchange between College of Management Academic Studies COMAS (Israel) and IIDL.

11.5. English For Diplomacy

A four-day English language programme was conducted at IIDL by the US Consulate General, Mumbai with focus on fine-tuning one's language skills with regards to politics and diplomacy. Ms Alicia Brent was the trainer for the one week programme. She specially flew down from the US and spent a week in the campus.

11.6. Convocation Ceremony of the First Batch:

The Convocation ceremony for giving the certificates to the 30 students belonging to the first batch of this academic course was organised on the 2nd July, 2018 at RMP-KEC. Several distinguished dignitaries including Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister of India; Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Member of Rajya Sabha; Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Vice Chairman of Prabodhini and Ravindra Sathe, Director General of Prabodhini as well as the Dean of IIDL were present at this Convocation Ceremony.

Ravindra Sathe gave a welcome speech whereas Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe explained in detail the background of conducting this course. Thereafter the degree certificates were distributed to the participant students. The dean of this course, Ravindra Sathe, welcomed the students belonging to the new batch of this course and gave an oath to them while declaring their admission to this course. 24 students, including 4 girl students are selected in the second batch of IIDL Subsequent to this, Dr. Narendra Jadhav expressed his thoughts about leadership and Nitin Gadkari went on to present facets of real life politics and also the political leadership. The audience present on the occasion gave a spontaneous cheering response to his speech. Ravi Pokharna, the deputy-dean of IIDL thanked the guests and the audience present at this grand function. Devendra Pai was the anchor of this memorable event. Among other distinguished guests present on this occasion included Vijay Girkar; MLA and trustee of RMP; Rekha Mahajan; Arvind Rege; MLA Narendra Mehta; and Mayor Dimple Mehta.

IIDL Batch II: A Numerical Overview

| Total no of Lectures | 406 | |
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| Total no of Lecturers | 168 | |
| Field Visits | 18 | |
| Week - long study tours | 02 | |
| Films Screened | 08 | |

11.7. Feedback from Students

"I am a Sarpanch from a small village. This course gave a bigger exposure than I had which led to an improvement in my personality most importantly public speaking both in terms of quality and quantity.

- Sagarsinh Vaghela (Batch II)

"I thought I knew everything before doing this course, but this course opened up my eyes and I realized there were so many things about my country which I didn't know"

- Heena Kini (Batch II)

"In 9 months I learnt a lot, it is a unique course which helps the students to have a deeper knowledge and understanding about different issues in the country. India expects its future politicians to be educated and IIDL is the course which will educate India's future leaders.

- Shashank Raj (Batch II)

12. From New Delhi

12.1. Leadership Development Programme for the Senior Managers of PSUs

Under a joint undertaking between RMP and the National Human Resources Development Network (NHRDN), a workshop for the 'Moral Leadership Development Programme' meant for the senior managers belonging to the public sector undertakings was organised at Green Acre, Srinagar, from 19th to 23rd June, 2018.

The introductory speech was delivered by Dhananjay Singh, Director of the NHRDN. Ravindra Sathe conducted several lively demonstrations and interesting games for the participants of this workshop that facilitated introduction among themselves & teamspirit. Thereafter Ashok Ema, the Chancellor of the Kendriya Vidyapeeth, Jammu, spoke about 'Transformational Leadership' with the participants. Dr. Kalpana Mathur, a consultant and also the chief trainer of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) from Jodhpur; Vikas Gupta, the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of SIMS Institute and Anand Pillai, the Executive Director, conducted various insightful presentations on 'Leadership' before the participants of this workshop.

All the domain experts used techniques like classroom lectures, models and replicas, and guidance for the development of moral guesswork and skills to explain the subject to the participants of this workshop.

13 senior managers belonging to prominent national public sector organisations participated in this residential training workshop spread over 5 days which included IOCL, MNPC, Power Grid Corporation and National Chemicals and Fertilisers Ltd.

12.2. Corporator Awareness and Training Programme

Under a joint undertaking between RMP and the Haryana State Institute of Public Administration (HIPA), a 'Corporator Awareness and Training Programme' was organised for the corporators of the Gurugram and Faridabad Municipal Corporations at Gurugram on the 30th November and 1st December 2018. This workshop was attended by 42 corporators of both the municipal corporations put together.Ravindra Sathe, the Director General of Prabodhini; Dr. G. Prasannakumar, the Director General of Haryana State Institute of Public Administration (HIPA); M. D. Sinha, the Additional Director; Dr. Ekta Chopra, the Joint Director and Rekha Dahiya, the Assistant Director (Administration) were present at the inaugural session of this workshop.

Sheekha Roy, the Chairman of SDMC spoke at length about the subject of 'Municipal Corporations Act: Administration, Responsibilities of the Corporators and their Role'. She shared detailed information about the technical issues involved in the working of the municipal corporations whereas Harita Marwah, the expert of the human resource development delivered an insightful speech about 'Self Empowerment through Competency Building'. She also stressed on necessary communication skills required from the corporators while dealing with people in everyday life.

Harshadeep Malhotra, ex-Mayor of East Delhi Municipal Corporation spoke in detail about 'Responsibilities and Duties of Corporators and their Special Rights' and explained how the corporators can effectively address the problems they may confront in their respective wards of the municipal corporations.

Mona Ashar, the Dean of the Amity University, delivered a lecture about 'Smart City: Concept and Facets' and Prof. K. K. Pandey spoke about 'Rising Aspects of Urbanisation: Transport, Garbage and Sewage Management, and Water Supply' whereas Alok Shirmani, the Veteran Financial Management Expert introduced in detail about the 'Financial Management of the Municipal Corporations (Budget)'. Murari Sahu of Prabodhini thanked the audience and the guests present at the workshop.

12.3. Transforming India Dialogues

The 8th session in the series of 'Transforming India Dialogues' was held at New Delhi on 27th April, 2018. Radha Chouhan, the Chief Executive Officer of the E-Government Marketplace, was the chief speaker at this function held at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library. She offered detailed information about the innovative facilities and services meant for the government institutions and companies for everyday use being provided by the Government E-Marketplace. She also explained at length the machinery functioning for smooth working of the on-line demand registration process of commodities.

Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, the Vice Chairman of RMP and Dr. Ravi Mishra, the Deputy Director of the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library were present at this programme.

The 9th session in this series was also organised at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library on 28th June, 2018. J. P. Nadda, Minister of Health and Family Welfare for the Union Government of India was the chief guest on this occasion. He said that Modi Government has focussed on improving the health related facilities available in our country and has introduced several schemes to help the people to be able to avail these facilities affordably. He shared detailed information about the several relevant schemes and undertakings introduced by his ministry.

Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Dr. Ravi Mishra, the Deputy Director of the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library and Rajkumar Bhatia, the ex-President of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad were present on this occasion.

12.4. Homage to Prof. Gangadhar Pantavne

Prof. Gangadhar Pantavne, a veteran author and a renowned researcher, and intellectual of the Babasaheb Ambedkar's philosophy who was conferred the Padma Shri passed away on 27th March, 2018. Prabodhini had organised a special meeting to offer homage to Prof. Pantavne at the newly constructed Maharashtra Sadan premises in New Delhi on 7th April, 2018.

Several distinguished authors, professors, journalists and other dignified guests along with Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Dr. Narendra Jadhav, Member of Rajya Sabha were present on the occasion.

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OBJECTIVE: Creating a system for the training and enlightenment of voluntary workers in the social and political fields.

RANGE OF PROJECTS:

· Organising training programmes, orientation programmes.

- Public awakening: debates, seminars, talks study groups, book publication.
- Research and on-the-spot study projects.

VARIOUS DIMENSIONS:

- Centre for Reference, Information and Documentation (CRID): 1990
 A fortnightly service supplying clippings from national and international newspapers, magazing and periodical on 30 specified subjects.
- 2. Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Abhyaskendra Granthalya (Library): 1993
 Currently the library has 16159 books, 3612 reference monographs, 709 audio cassette, 227 video cassettes and 752 CDs on social and political themes.
- 3. Centre for Human Rights' Studies and Awareness (CHRSA): 2002
 A centre for making human rights an issue of genuine public concern through greater awareness, research and documentation.
- 4. RMP- International: 2002
 The International division of Prabodhini working for international understanding through universal brotherhood.
- 5. Vilasrao Salunkhe Chair: 2003
 A chair to build capacities of elected representatives and civil society organizations for effective water governance.
- 6. Centre for Institution Building and Leadership Studies (CIBLS): 2008
 A forum of HRD experts in leadership development, functioning with a view to spreading and including the qualities and values of leadership, in socio-political sector.
- 7. Centre for Leadership Development (CLD) New Delhi: 2010 A centre for providing practical leadership training for professionals as well as other citizens.
- 8. Indian Institute of Democratic Leadership (IIDL): 2017
 IIDL administers a one year Post Graduate programme (PGP) in Leadership,
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Noted Economist and MP Dr.Narendra Jadhav sharing his thoughts during the Convocation Ceremony of the 2017-18 IIDL Batch







Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe
honouring the Chief Guest
of the National Convention
on Sushasan Sangam,
Vice-Chairman of Rajya Sabha,
Dr Harivansh Narayan Singh.
Also seen
Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande,
Rekha Mahajan and
Arvind Rege





Back cover 1: Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog Dr. Rajiv Kumar inaugurating Prabodhini's Atal Incubation Centre. Also seen, Prof. Aniruddha Deshpande, Dr. Vinay Sahasrabuddhe, Mission Director of Atal Innovation Mission, R. Ramanan, AIC-RMP Director, M.P. Lodha & Ravindra Sathe.

Back cover 2: Film Producer & Director Vivek Agnihotri in conversation on the subject 'Urban Naxalism'







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