



DES SNFLC

Two-Day Conference on the Indian Constitution

THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION: PRESENT AND FUTURE PERSPECTIVE

Date: 14th & 15th February 2025

(Friday & Saturday)

Program Report



Academic Year

2024-25



DES' Shri. Navalmal Firodia Law College, Pune

In Association with

Prabodhan Manch, Pune

Organises

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Date: 14th & 15th February 2025

Inaugural Session

Chief Guest

Dr. Shantishree Pandit

Vice Chancellor, JNU, New Delhi

Venue: Amphitheatre

Date: 14th February 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Valedictory Session

Chief Guest

Retd. Justice Ambadas Joshi

Venue: Kundanmal Firodia Auditorium

Date: 15th February 2025

Time: 03:00 PM

Convenors

Adv. Ashok Palande
Vice Chairman, GB& Council, DES
Chairman, CDC, DES SNFLC, Pune

Shri. Haribhau Mirasdar
President
Prabodhan Manch, Pune

Dr. Sunita Adhav
Principal, DES SNFLC, Pune

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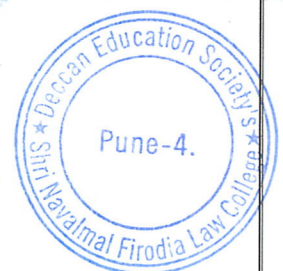
Prabodhan Manch, Pune

Date: Date: 14th & 15th February 2025

Symposium Report

On February 14 and 15, 2025, a two-day conference on the Indian Constitution was jointly organized by the Deccan Education Society's Shri Navalmal Firodia Law College, Pune, and Prabodhan Manch, Pune. The theme of the conference was "The Indian Constitution: Present and Future Perspectives."

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Details of Workshop:

Venue: Amphitheatre

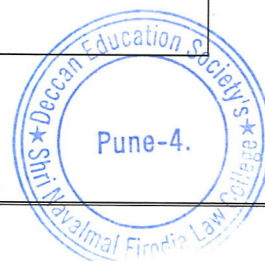
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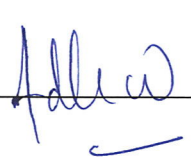
Date	Time	Particulars	By
14/02/2025	9.00 am to 10.am	Registration and Welcome	Organising Committee
	10.00am to 10.05am	Introduction of the Program	Pradnya Yadav
	10.05am to 10.08am	Lighting of Lamp and Ganesh vandana	All dignitaries
	10.08am to 10.10am	Introductory Announcement	Shri. Haribhau Mirasdar
	10.10am to 10.15am	Welcome Address	Dr. Sunita Adhav Principal DES SNFLC
	10.15am to 10.20am	Introduction & Felicitation of Chief Guest	Ajinkya Waghmare Dr. Sunita Adhav

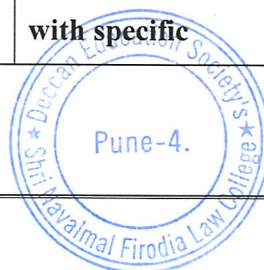
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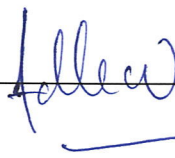


	10.20am to 11.00am	Keynote Address by Chief Guest	Dr.Shantishree Pandit
	11.am to 11.05am	Vote of Thanks	Prithviraj Chavan
	11.05 am to 11.20am	Tea Break	

Venue: Kundanmal Firodia Auditorium

Date	Time	Particulars	By
14/02/2025	11.30am to 12.30pm	Technical Session :1 Critical Issues: Federalism, Disputes and Social Justice	Dr. Shantishree Pandit, Vice- Chancellor, JNU
	12.30 pm to 12.45pm	Q & A Session	
	1.00pm to 2.00pm	Lunch Break	
	2.00pm to 2.50 pm	Introduction Technical Session:2 Dynamics of Center :State Relations Under Indian Constitution with specific	Dhanshree Chavan Dr. Priya Chopde 



		reference to Art 356	
	2.50 pm to 03.00pm	Q & A Session	
	3.00pm to 3.05 pm	Introduction Felicitation of Resource Person	Dhanshree Chavan Shri.Haribhau Mirasdar
	3.05 to 3.50pm	Technical Session 3: The Preamble to the Constitution- Objectives, Historical Background and Amendability	Adv. Uday Warunjikar, Senior Advocate, High Court Mumbai
	3.50pm to 4.00pm	Q & A Session	
	4.00pm to 4.05pm	Introduction Felicitation of Resource Person	Dhanshree Chavan Shri. Ajay Mahajan
	4.05 to 4.45pm	Technical Session 4: Contextualizing the Indian Constitution	Dr. Vikramaditya Rathore 

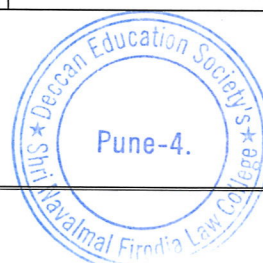
	4.45 pm to 4.55pm	Q & A Session	
	4.55pm to	Vote of Thanks	Dhanshree Chavan

Day 2: 15th February 2025

Venue: Kundanmal Firodia Auditorium

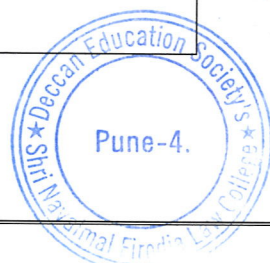
Date	Time	Particulars	By
15/02/2025	10.30am to 10.35am	Introduction Felicitation of Resource Person	Navishka
	10.35 to 11.30am	Technical Session 5: Constituent Assembly Debates in the making of Indian Constitution	Adv.Ashish Jadhavar High Court
	11.30am to 11.40am	Q & A Session	
	11.40 am to 11.45am	Introduction Felicitation of Resource Person	Navishka Adv.Ashok Palande
	11.45am to 12.45pm	Technical Session 6:	Adv.Ashish Sonawane, Senior

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		Fundamental Rights	Advocate, High Court, Bombay
	12.45pm to 12.55pm	Q & A Session	
	1.00pm to 2.00pm	Lunch Break	
	2.00pm to 2.02pm	Introduction	Navishka
		Felicitation of Resource Person	
	2.02 to 2.40pm	Technical Session 7: Constitutional Democracy in Digital Era	Dr. Swapnil Bangali Advocate & Honorary Member CICTL, Mumbai
	2.40 to 2.45	Q & A Session	
	2.45 to 2.47	Vote of Thanks	Navishka
Valedictory Session: Venue: Kundanmal Firodia Auditorium 3.00pm Onwards			
	3.00 pm to 3.05pm	Introduction	Pradnya Yadav

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		Felicitation of Chief Guest	Prin. Dr. Sunita Adhav
	3.05pm to 3.45pm	Key note Address : Indian Constitution and Future Challenges.	Justice Ambadas Joshi
	3.45pm to 3.50pm	Vote of Thanks	Ajinkya Waghmare
	3.50pm to 3.51	Vande Mataram	

Day 1:

15 February 2025

This two-day conference started with the inaugural session, at this august gathering, the dais was shared by Dr. Shantishree Pandit, Vice Chancellor, JNU, New Delhi as chief Guest, Prin. Dr. Sunita Adhav, Shri. Haribhau Mirasdar, President, Prabodhan Manch, Pune and Shri. Ajay Mahajan, Saha Sanyojak, Prabodhan Manch, Pune. At the beginning Asst. prof. Pradnya Yadav gave introduction of program and called Chief Guest and other dignitaries on dais for the lamp lighting. Prin. Dr. Sunita Adhav heartily welcomed the dignitaries on the dais & the participants. Asst. Prof. Ajinkya Waghmare gave introduction of Chief guest and request Prin. Dr. Sunita Adhav to felicitate Dr. Shantishree Pandit.

In keynote address Dr. Shantishree Pandit, stated "India's greatest strength is its secular governance, which is a way of life. The Constitution is a living document that requires our sincere and thoughtful engagement."

The inaugural session concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Asst. Prof. Prithviraj Chavan.

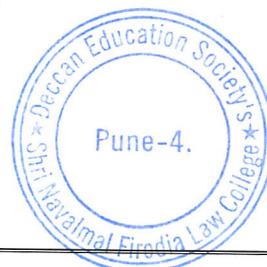
Technical Sessions:

A total seven technical sessions were conducted over two days.

Session I:

Resource Person: Dr. Shantishree Pandit

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Topic: “Critical Issues: Federalism, Disputes and Social Justice”

Where resource person Dr. Shantishree Pandit gave her insights on federal structure of Indian Constitution specially in relation to education, conflict and social justice and she stated that, Federalism is not a challenge but an opportunity.

Session II:

Resource Person: Dr. Priya Chopde, DES SNFLC

Topic: “Dynamics of Centre-State Relations with Special Reference to Article 356”

Where resource person stated that, the relationship between the Centre and the States is inherently dynamic, especially when tested during emergencies. While Article 356 serves as a safeguard against potential governance failures, it also poses a risk to federal integrity if misused. A balanced approach—grounded in constitutional principles and judicial oversight—is essential to maintain the spirit of cooperative federalism.

Session III:

Resource Person: Adv. Uday Varunjikar, Senior Advocate, Bombay High Court.

Topic: The Preamble to the Constitution-Objectives, Historical Background and Amendability.

Adv. Uday Varunjikar in his session mainly gave insights on the objective of the preamble of constitution, historical background, its amendability and discuss various land mark judgement.

Session IV:

Resource Person: Dr. Vikramaditya Rathod, ILS Law College, Pune

Topic: Contextualizing the Indian Constitution

Where the resource person stated that India’s constitutional framework reflects a deep commitment to secularism, social justice, and personal freedoms. By safeguarding cultural diversity, abolishing discriminatory practices, and upholding the freedom of conscience, the Constitution ensures that India remains a harmonious and inclusive democracy.

Lastly, first-day sessions were concluded with the vote of thanks delivered by Miss Dhanshree Chavan, a BA.LL.B first-year student.

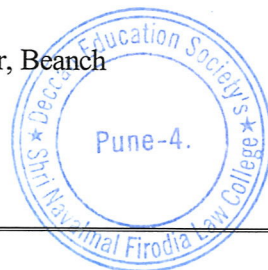
Day 2:

On 15th February 2025, program was divided in to two parts technical session and valedictory session. Second day started with technical sessions as follow.

Session V:

Resource Person: Adv. Ashish Jadhavar, High Court, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, Beanch

Ashish



Topic: Constituent Assembly Debates in the making of Indian Constitution

In this session, Adv. Ashish Jadhavar stated that the Constituent Assembly Debates laid the intellectual and moral foundation of the Indian Constitution. The visionary leadership and principled discussions held during these debates continue to guide India's democratic journey.

Session VI:

Resource Person: Adv. Ashish Sonwane, High Court, Mumbai.

Topic: Fundamental Rights.

Where the resource person shared his insights on the topic, discussed various landmark judgements, and stated that the concept of fundamental rights under the Indian Constitution ensures equality, liberty, and justice for all citizens, irrespective of caste, creed, religion, gender, or socio-economic background. The progressive evolution of constitutional jurisprudence reflects India's commitment to justice in a dynamic and diverse society.

Session VII:

Resource Person: Dr. Swapnil Bangali, Advocate & Honorary Member CICTL, Mumbai.

Topic: Constitutional Democracy in Digital Era.

In this session, the resource person gave his insights on the right to privacy (Article 21), freedom of speech and expression (Article 19(1)(a)) in the digital age, deepfake technology, information creation and misuse, digital contracts, and the legal framework, and he stated constitutional democracy in the digital age requires a delicate balance between individual freedoms and state regulation.

Lastly, this two-day conference concluded with the valedictory session, where the dais was shared by Hon'ble Justice Ambadas Joshi (Retd.), Bombay High Court and Former Lokayukt Goa as chief guest, Prin. Dr. Sunita Adhav, Shri. Haribhau Mirasdar, President, Prabodhan Manch, Pune, and Shri. Ajay Mahajan, Saha Sanyojak, Prabodhan Manch, Pune. Justice Ambadas Joshi (Retd.) was felicitated at the hands of Prin. Dr. Sunita Adhav. In this session, the chief guest gave his insights on the topic "The Indian Constitution and Future Challenges".

Finally, the program was concluded by the vote of thanks delivered by Asst. Prof. Ajinkya Waghmare.

The two-day conference provided valuable insights into the Indian Constitution's evolution, its current relevance, and the challenges it might face in the future. The event was highly informative and engaging, marking its success through the collaborative efforts of the organizing team and enthusiastic participation from students, faculty, and legal professionals.



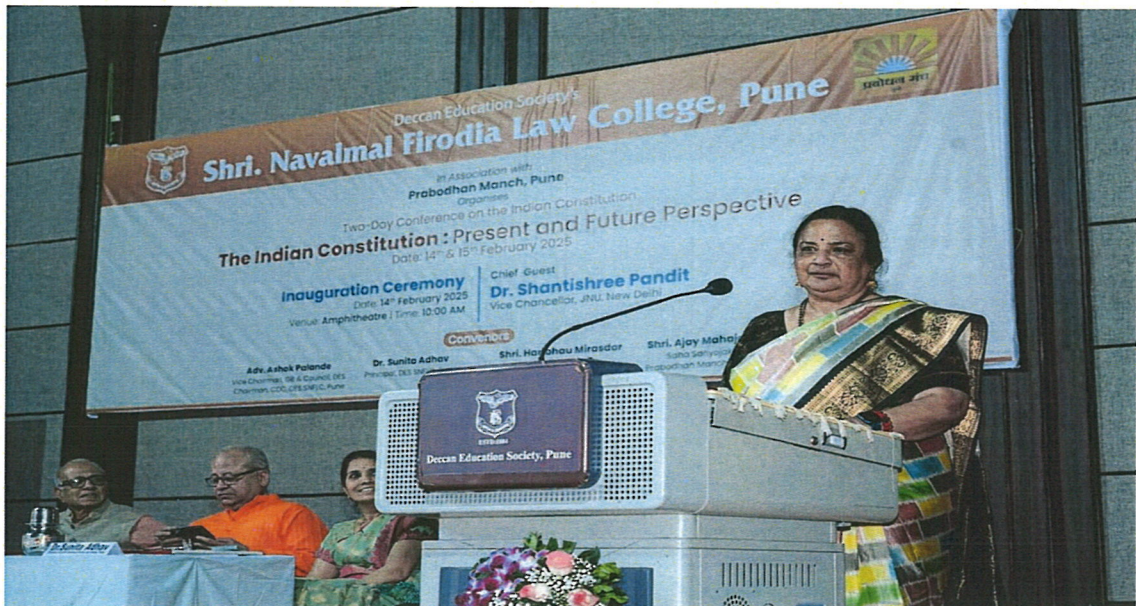
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Dr. Sunita Adhav,
Principal

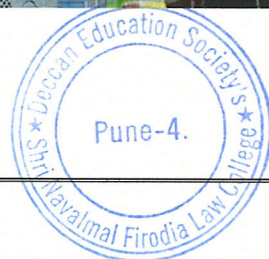
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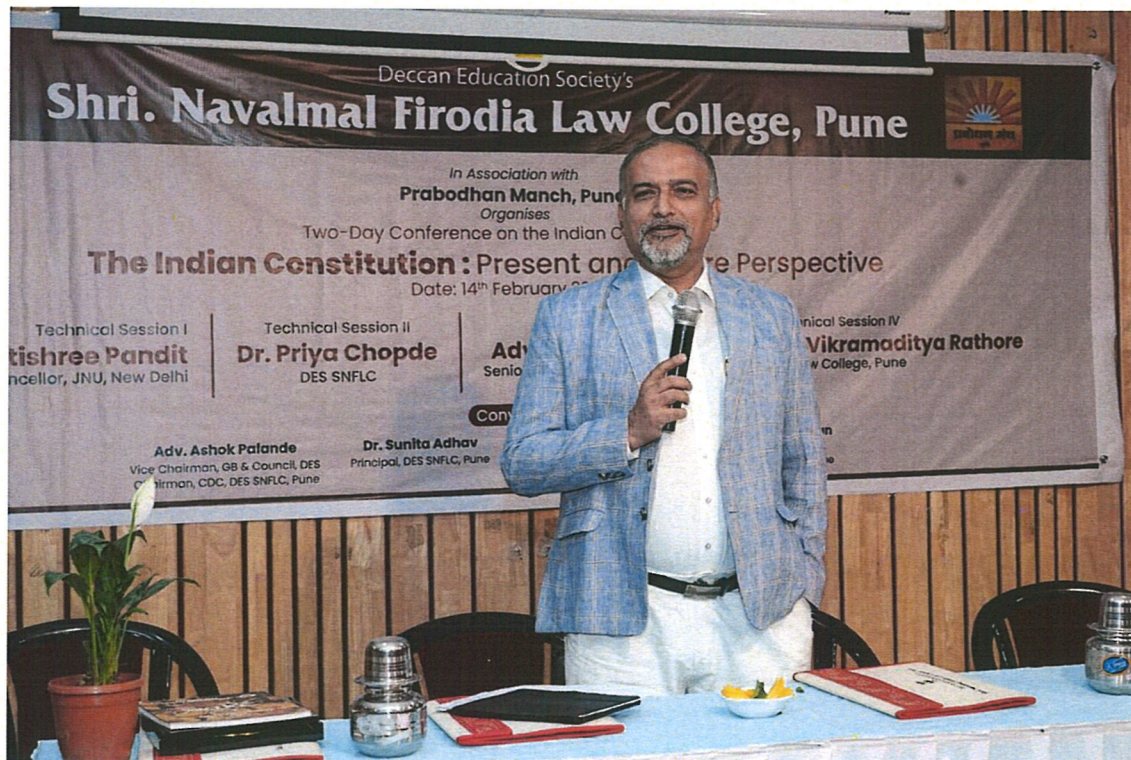
Prithviraj D. Chavan
Faculty Co-ordinator

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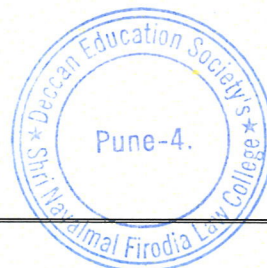


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‘संविधानाकडे प्रामाणिकपणे पाहण्याची गरज’

‘भारतीय संविधान - वर्तमान आणि भविष्यकालीन दृष्टिकोन’वर परिषद

पुणे : पुढारी वृत्तसेवा

भारताची सर्वात मोठी विशेषतः म्हणजे त्याची धार्मिक राज्यव्यवस्था आणि जीवनपद्धती आहे. संविधान हे एक जिवंत दस्तावेज असून, त्याकडे आपल्याला अधिक प्रामाणिकपणे पाहण्याची गरज आहे, असे मत जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालयाच्या (जेएनयू) कुलगुरू डॉ. शांतिश्री पंडित यांनी शुक्रवारी व्यक्त केले.

प्रबोधन मंच आणि श्री नवमल फिरोदिया विधी महाविद्यालयाच्या वतीने आयोजित ‘भारतीय संविधान - वर्तमान आणि भविष्यकालीन दृष्टिकोन’ या परिषदेच्या ‘संघराज्यव्यवस्था’ या विषयावरील तांत्रिक सत्रात डॉ. पंडित बोलत होत्या. या वेळी एका विद्यार्थिनीने विचारलेल्या प्रश्नावर डॉ. पंडित यांनी मत व्यक्त केले. प्राचार्य डॉ. सुनीता आढाव, प्रबोधन मंचाचे अध्यक्ष हरिभाऊ मिरासदार, सहसंयोजक अजय महाजन आदी उपस्थित होते.

‘जय श्रीराम’ म्हटल्याने का खटकते ?

लोक ‘जय श्रीराम’ म्हणत असतील, तर तुम्हाला का खटकत ? तुम्हाला ऐकायचे नसेल, तर कान बंद करा. भारतीय संस्कृतीमुळे उत्तर भारतातील लोक एकमेकांना भेटल्यावर ‘जय श्रीराम’ म्हणतात. ख्रिस्ती समाजाचे लोक त्यांच्या संस्कृतीनुसार बोलतात. इस्लाम धर्मातील लोक त्यांच्या संस्कृतीनुसार ईशाअल्लाह म्हणतात.

या लोकांना ‘तुम्ही देवाचे नाव का घेता’, असे विचारायची हिंमत होते का ? तुम्ही ईशाअल्लाह म्हणणे बंद करा, आम्ही ‘जय श्रीराम’ म्हणणे बंद करतो. भारतात धर्मानुसार कोणी काही म्हणणार नाही, असे मत जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालयाच्या (जेएनयू) कुलगुरू डॉ. शांतिश्री पंडित यांनी शुक्रवारी व्यक्त केले.

डाव्या विचारसरणीचे लोक हे आमच्यापेक्षाही मनुवादी...

डॉ. पंडित म्हणाले, निवडणुकीच्या वेळी संविधान बदलले जाणार, असा अपप्रचार काँग्रेसकडून करण्यात आला. हा अप्रचार करणाऱ्या लोकांनी डाव्या विचारसरणीच्या लोकांसोबत मिळून डॉ. बाबासाहेब आंबेडकर यांना जाणीवपूर्वक निवडणुकीत पराभूत केले. अनेक वर्षे सत्तेत असूनही, या लोकांनी आरक्षणाची अंमलबाजवणी योग्य पद्धतीने केली नाही. जवाहरलाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालयासारख्या केंद्रीय विद्यापीठांमध्ये जाती-धर्माच्या आरक्षणानुसार कुलगुरू, प्राध्यापक आणि कर्मचाऱ्यांची पदे भरण्याबाबत खासदारांकडून सातत्याने प्रश्न उपस्थित करण्यात आले आहे. मात्र, या लोकांनी जेएनयूमध्ये पदे भरण्याबाबत कार्यवाही केली नाही. डाव्या विचारसरणीचे लोक हे आमच्यापेक्षाही मनुवादी असतात. केंद्रात पंतप्रधान नरेंद्र मोदी यांचे सरकार आल्यानंतर, अनेक सुधारणा झाल्या. मी कुलगुरू पदाचा कारभार स्वीकारल्यानंतर, संविधानाने दिलेल्या आरक्षणानुसार प्राध्यापक-कर्मचाऱ्यांची पदभरती केली, असे डॉ. पंडित यांनी स्पष्ट केले.

राज्यपालांनी केंद्र सरकार आणि राज्यांमध्ये

एक दुवा म्हणून काम करणे गरजेचे...

भारतासारख्या वैविध्यपूर्ण देशात राज्यपालांची भूमिका महत्त्वाची आहे. त्यांनी प्रगल्भ व्यक्तिमत्त्व म्हणून काम करण्याची गरज आहे. राज्यपालांनी केवळ केंद्राची भूमिका राज्य सरकारवर न थोपवता, केंद्र सरकार आणि राज्यांमध्ये एक दुवा म्हणून काम करणे गरजेचे आहे, असे डॉ. शांतिश्री पंडित यांनी स्पष्ट केले.



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