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National Conference on
‘Smart Cities in India : The Road Ahead’
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VIDYA PRASARAK MANDAL'S
K. G. JOSHI COLLEGE OF ARTS &
N. G. BEDEKAR COLLEGE OF COMMERCE
THANE (W)

UGC SPONSORED
TWO DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE

ON

‘Smart Cities in India :
The Road Ahead’

19th & 20th January 2018

Venue

Kattayyan Sabhagruha, Joshi-Bedekar College
“Jnanadweepa”, Thane College Campus,
Chendani Bunder Road,
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About the College

K.G. Joshi & N.G. Bedekar College of Arts & Commerce was the first institution of higher learning to be established in Thane City in 1969. Strategically located, the College is at walking distance from Thane Railway Station on the Central Railway line. It is well connected by bus services to every part of the city including Navi Mumbai.

The College received permanent affiliation, in January 1988 with effect from June 1982. It was awarded B++ grade in January 2004 by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) set up by UGC. The College was reaccredited with ‘A’ grade by NAAC in the second cycle of January 2011 and the same reinstated in the **third cycle of November 2016**.

The College is one of the Community Colleges of the University of Mumbai and has got the Best College Award of University of Mumbai in 2011-12. The college is also ISO 9001-2015 certified.

About the Department of Self Finance Courses

The Department of Self-Finance was established in 1999 with Bachelor of Management studies. Over the years the department has grown in strength with the introduction of Bachelor in Accounting & Finance (2003-04). Bachelor in Banking & Insurance (2004-05), Bachelor in Mass Media, English & Marathi Medium (2007-08) and Bachelor in Financial Market (2008-09). The department also conduct four post-graduation courses M. Com. (Adv. Accountancy), M. Com (Business Management), M. Com (Banking & Finance) and Masters of Arts in Communication and Journalism course affiliated to University of Mumbai. This professional courses are high on market demand due to its extensive curriculum offering theoretic and practical exposure to students. Also they are high on the scale of job prospect. The department has qualified teachers a few with industrial background who provides an insightful classroom environment to students. The students are provided exposure to practical world through guest lectures, seminars, workshops, industry visits, summer and winter placement etc.

About the Conference

The Smart Cities Mission is a Programme close to the heart of the Indian Government. With urbanization ushering in new problems and challenges managing and maintaining a city that would cater to the new influenced generation of citizens and netizens has got the top priority on the list of every administrator. **Smart Cities Mission** is an urban renewal and retrofitting programme by the Government of India with the aim to develop 100 cities (the target has been revised to 109 cities) all over the country making them citizen friendly and sustainable. The Union Ministry of Urban Development is responsible for implementing the mission in collaboration with the respective state governments and local bodies, administrators of cities.

Rationale of the conference

“Smart Cities Mission of the Government is a bold, new initiative. It is meant to set examples that can be replicated both within and outside the Smart City,

catalysing the creation of similar Smart Cities in various regions and parts of the country. The core infrastructure elements in a smart city would include: i. adequate water supply, ii. assured electricity supply, iii. sanitation, including solid waste management, iv. efficient urban mobility and public transport, v. affordable housing, especially for the poor, vi. robust IT connectivity and digitalization, vii. good governance, especially e-Governance and citizen participation, viii. sustainable environment, ix. safety and security of citizens, particularly women, children and the elderly, x. health and education. The implementation is however quite challenging and requires strategic thinking and planning.

Thane being one of the shortlisted Cities aiming to transform into a Smart City and our institution being located at the heart of Thane, it becomes even more logical to be a platform for discussing and debating ideas for this transformation. This conference, hence aims to bring together intellectual minds capable of identifying such challenges and providing solutions at strategic level for implementing the Smart Cities Mission. The conference will definitely be a platform for like-minded academicians, strategic planners, real estate developers, aspiring engineers, architects, administrators and economists etc to meet and discuss the issues challenges and solutions.

We invite papers on the Main theme or any of the broad sub themes as given below:

1. Smart Urban Planning
2. Smart IT and Communication
3. Smart Government
4. Green Building and Sustainable Habitat
5. Smart Transportation
6. Cost and Value of Going Green
7. Smart Energy
8. Smart Mobility
9. Sustainability
10. Smart Security and Safety
11. Smart Grid
12. Strategic Planning for metropolitan areas
13. Smart water and waste management
14. Managing Rural Urban Linkages
15. Addressing Exclusion and Inequality

Additional Details:

Two Pre-Conference Workshops will be held to encourage participation from various academic groups. The schedule is as follows,

One day workshop for Teachers in Last week of July, 2017

One day workshop for Students in mid August, 2017

Call for Papers and Participation

Participants are requested to submit abstracts of their paper in the following format:

1. Abstracts not exceeding 300 words and full paper in about 3000 words should be submitted in MSWord, version 2007. The text should be in Times New Roman with font size 12 and double spacing. Use APA style for referencing.

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2. The abstract should include title, name of the presenter, affiliation details, mailing address and key words.
 3. An e-mail version of abstract must be sent at **jbconference2018@gmail.com**
 4. The paper presenters are also required to register as delegates for the conference.
 5. Decision of the Editorial Committee will be final regarding the selection of papers.

Prospective Delegates

1. Members of various academic bodies and institutions
2. Academicians of various Universities and Colleges
3. Architects, Engineers and Builders
4. Urban Planners
5. I.T. Professionals
6. Legal Fraternity / Industry
7. Environmentalists
8. Government Officers

Important Dates:

- Last date for submission of abstracts : 31st August, 2017
- Notification of acceptance : 7th October, 2017
- Last date for submission of paper : 30th November, 2017
- Date of the Conference : 19th & 20th January, 2018

Mode of Payment:

The payment should be made in the form of crossed cheque /demand draft of a nationalised bank drawn in favour of 'Principal, VPM's Joshi – Bedekar College, Thane' payable at Thane. The payment can also be made in cash.

Registration & Fees:

Delegates	Rs. 1100
Student Delegates	Rs. 500

Accommodation:

Accommodation is the sole responsibility of the participant. Detail names of the hotels and lodges will be displayed on the College website, for any guidance regarding the same contact organizers.

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- VPM's Dr. V.N. Bedekar Institute of Management Studies
- VPM's Centre for Foreign Language Studies
- VPM's Department of Defence and Strategic Studies
- VPM's London Academy for Education and Research
- VPM's Academy of International Education and Research
- VPM's Maharshi Parshuram College of Engineering, Velneshwar, Ratnagiri District
- VPM's Institute of Distance Education
- VPM's Centre for Career and Skill Development
- VPM's Council of Senior Scientists'

Registration Form

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