

PRATHAM MUMBAI EDUCATION INITIATIVE - DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS, SIES COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCE, AND COMMERCE (AUTONOMOUS), SION (W), MUMBAI

MOU (Memorandum of Understanding)

Duration: June 2021-June 2022

Introduction of organizations involved

PRATHAM MUMBAI EDUCATION INITIATIVE (PMEI)

Pratham started in Mumbai in 1994 with the vision and mission of "Every Child in School and Learning Well". In the early years, Pratham's area of work was Mumbai; now it is spread across India. Initially, Pratham catered exclusively to children in urban areas, but now works on a large scale in rural areas across India. From being a service delivery organization, Pratham has evolved to be an innovator of methods of large-scale delivery. To support the growth and needs of the rural and urban programs, the continuous development of teaching-learning approaches, methods and materials as well as training are continuous ongoing activities.

PRATHAM COUNCIL FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN (PCVC)

Pratham Council for Vulnerable Children (PCVC) serves as the Child Rights and Protection wing of Pratham, established in the year 2000, with the aim of "Every Child's Rights Protected, Every Child in School and Learning Well." Initially PCVC started as an outreach program in the urban slum communities of Mumbai, responding to the needs of children belonging to underserved communities emphasising on a specific segment of out of school and working children. Today, PCVC has grown from being an organization focused on working with child labourers, to a Rightsbased and Resource organization, working on protection and safeguarding rights of children.

<u>Department of Politics, SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce</u> (Autonomous)

The SIES Arts, Science and Commerce College (Autonomous) was inaugurated on 20th of June 1960 by Shri Y. B. Chavan, the first Chief Minister of Maharashtra to serve the ever-growing educational needs of students from North and Central Mumbai Suburbs. SIES is an autonomous college affiliated to the University of Mumbai. The college has an impressive strength of over 6,000 students drawn from all sections of this cosmopolitan city. Today, SIES has emerged as a well-known institution in the city of Mumbai with its illustrious alumni working in various pursuits of academics, arts, civil society, defense, management, and politics among others.

The Department of Politics has been functioning since the inception of the college. Over the last six decades, the department has been instrumental in organizing and collaborating for intellectual and social activities in the form of seminars, workshops, field visits etc. The Department, for its various activities, have in the past, collaborated with the American Centre, Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR), University Grants Commission (UGC), Rashtriya Ucchatar Shiksha Abhiyaan (RUSA) and Praja Foundation.

PRATHAM AND DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS, SIES COLLEGE

Pratham is partnering for the first time with the Department of Politics, SIES College in the area of social and education sector. This collaboration will acquaint and introduce students of the department through internship programmes to the multiple facets of education among the vulnerable children in India.

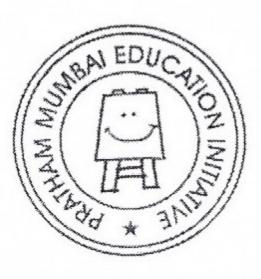
TERMS OF ASSOCIATION

This engagement between Pratham and the Department of Politics, SIES College is purely a knowledge-sharing and intellectual tie-up with no financial involvement and repercussions.

As per the preliminary official agreement between the representatives of both institutions, TWO students of the Department of Politics would be offered internships (a mixed mode comprising online, virtual, and on-field activities) with PRATHAM.

Date: 29th June 2021

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