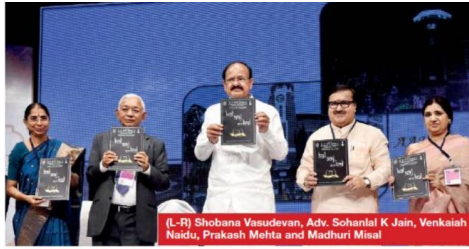


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While addressing students of S P Mandali's RA Podar College of Commerce and Economics, Matunga, at the inaugural ceremony of their platinum jubilee celebrations, Vice President of India M Venkaiah Naidu said, "It is important to learn as many languages as possible, however, one should not forget to learn one's mother tongue as it comes from the womb of a mother. It helps to communicate in a better way. Our goal is to make our country 'Vishwa Guru' once again. It is the responsibility of every citizen to contribute to the governance by participating in the various programs initiated by our government."

Naidu also emphasised the need for integrating education wherein there will be a culmination of cultural values along with the appropriate use of modern technology.

Adv. Sohanlal K. Jain (Chairman Managing Council, S.P. Mandali), Prakash Mehta (State Cabinet Minister for Housing Department of Maharashtra), M.A. Madhuri Misal and Council Member, S.P. Mandali were also present along with Dr. Shobana Vasudevan, principal of the college.



The formal function ended with the principal proposing the vote of thanks. She also observed that the college believes in making socially conscious citizens. The exuberant evening function kicked off with a Powada performance by students, illustrating the various nuances of college life and experiences earned.

Adv. Jain, Sunil Joshi and Suresh Deole (members of Managing Council, S.P. Mandali, Pune), alumni Dilip Vengsarkar and Dhananjay Sandu, Krishnan Muthukumar and Pritam Chivukula (Founders and directors, Tridhaatu Realty and Infra Pvt. Ltd.) and the sponsors of the jubilee celebrations were felicitated.

"I am immensely thankful to Podar College as it is this place where I made my best friends, decided my business and career, and found my better half. This college has given

me everything along with beautiful memories and my sincere gratitude to all my teachers and principal," said Dhananjay Sandu.

The day also marked the release of *Kal Aaj Aur Kal*, a souvenir and film conceptualised, directed and edited by the students of R.A. Podar College. The celebrations culminated in events that included soul-stirring performances by the college alumni. Pooja Gaitonde impressed the audience with her melodious Sufi and *ghazal* renditions while Satyajit Padhye, puppeteer and ventriloquist, tickled everyone's funny bones with his hilarious act. The event concluded with a power-packed musical concert rendered by Mahalakshmi Iyer and other alumni of the college. It was a day filled with emotions and entertainment as guests took home fresh memories from the event.