

## **ANNUAL REPORT (2023-24): CULTURAL TEAM**

The Cultural Team at SIESGST is committed to cultivating a dynamic atmosphere on campus. Through their organization of events that combine enjoyment, learning, creativity, innovation, and novelty, they contribute to enriching the cultural landscape of the college. Their enthusiasm for crafting memorable experiences likely facilitates connections, knowledge sharing, and personal development among students and faculty. Such endeavors not only elevate the college experience but also foster a sense of community and inclusivity within the institution.

### **❖ 56th Youth Festival**

There were multiple events falling under the categories of Fine Arts, Literary Events, Theatre, and Music. These events were conducted offline across various university colleges. Participants were required to travel to different colleges within the University of Mumbai to showcase their performances. The teams responsible for coordinating participants included The Literary Team, The Creative Team, Aarambh and Aaroha.

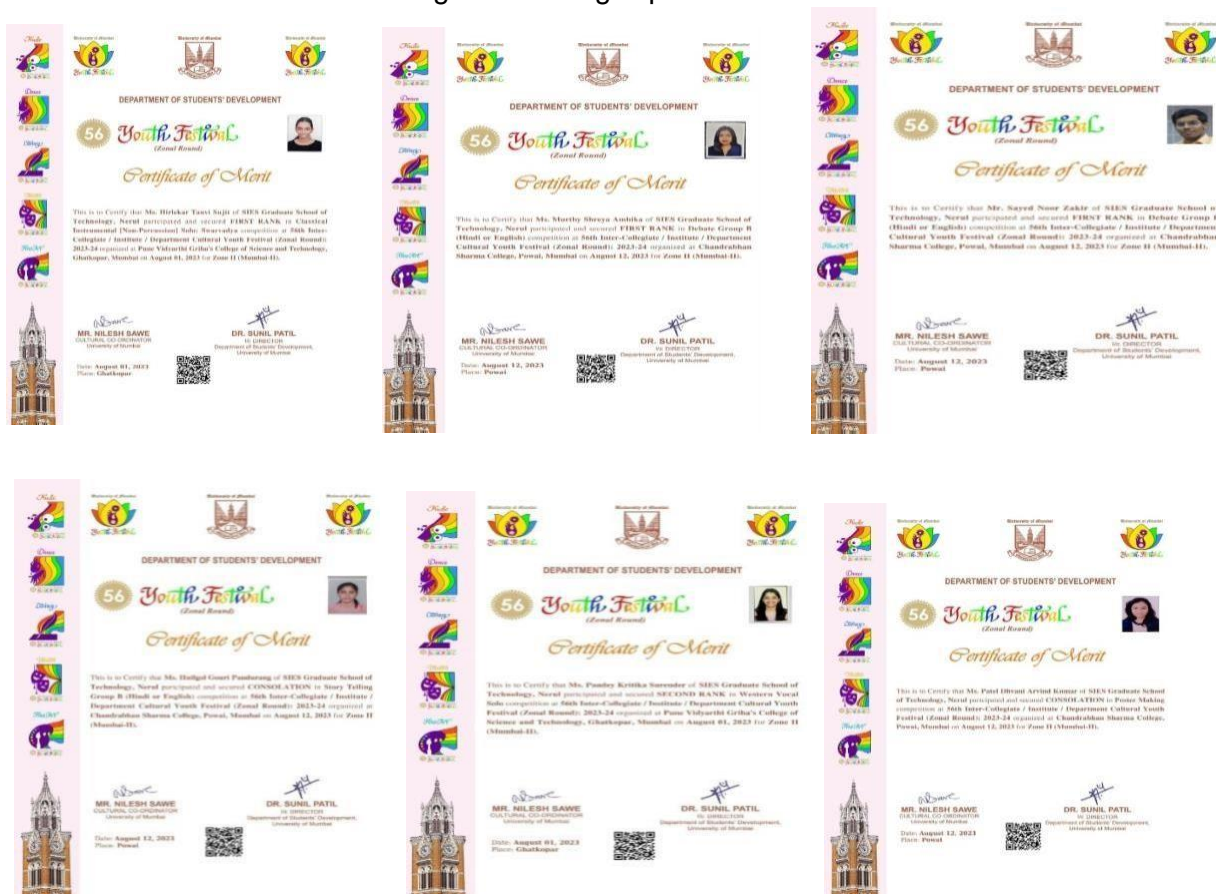
There were a total of 24 events registered from the college. The events were:

- 1) Classical Instrument [Non percussion] Solo: Swar Vadya (Solo Event)
- 2) Indian Light Vocals (Solo)
- 3) Indian Group song (Group)
- 4) Western Group Song (Group)
- 5) Western Vocals (Solo)
- 6) Indian Classical Dance (Solo)
- 7) Western Instrumental (solo)
- 8) Elocution (Group A)
- 9) Elocution (Group B)
- 10) Story Telling (Group A)
- 11) Story Telling (Group B)
- 12) Debate (Group B)
- 13) Story Writing (group B)
- 14) Quiz
- 15) Skit (Group C)
- 16) Mono-Acting (Group C)
- 17) On spot Painting
- 18) Cartooning
- 19) Poster Making
- 20) Clay Modelling
- 21) Spot Photography (Solo Event)
- 22) Mehendi Design
- 23) Installation (Group Event)
- 24) Short Film Making

The Final Round winners were:

Sr No.	Name	Class	Rank	Event
1.	Hirlekar Tanvi Sujit	SE CE D	First Rank	Classical Instrumental [Non-Percussion] Solo: Swarvadya (Music)
2.	Sayed Noor Zakir	TE AIML G	First Rank	Debate group B (Hindi or English)
3.	Murthy Shreya Ambike	BE ECS B		
4.	Pandey Kritika Surrender	BE EXTC A	Second Rank	Western Vocal Solo
5.	Naikar Madhavan Dhanabalu	BE CE C	Third Rank	Elocution Group B (Hindi or English)
6.	Huilgol Gouri Pandurang	SE EXTC A	Consolation	Story Telling Group B (Hindi or English)
7.	Patel Dhvani Arvind Kumar	TE CSE(IOT) B	Consolation	Poster Making

This event was successful and a great learning experience for us as a team.



## ❖ FE Induction

The FE Induction event held at SIES Graduate School of Technology on the 8th and 10th of August 2023 was an insightful and invigorating introduction for the incoming Freshman Engineering (FE) students. The Event seamlessly blended captivating performances, interactive workshops, and light-hearted activities to showcase the vibrant cultural landscape that awaited the newcomers. Students were made familiar with the Cultural Clubs and were acquainted with all the Fun events and activities the cultural team arranges throughout the academic year.

## ❖ Independence Day

The Cultural Team and NSS Unit of SIES GST jointly organized a spirited Independence Day celebration on August 15, 2023. The event commenced with the resonant strains of the National Anthem, followed by motivating speeches from the Dignitaries and esteemed Chief Guest. A captivating performance by the Cultural Club, Aarambh, and stirring patriotic songs by the Cultural Club, Aaroha, set the tone for the day. The NSS Unit further enriched the event with insightful performances. The celebration concluded with a sense of unity and national pride, serving as a poignant reminder of our shared heritage and commitment to the ideals of freedom and democracy.



### ❖ Teachers Day

On September 5th, 2023, the Student Council organized an event to commemorate Teachers' Day. The event took place offline in the GST Auditorium, exclusively for the college's teachers. Hosted by members of the Literary Team and the Cultural Team, the program commenced with heartfelt greetings extended to our esteemed teachers. The hosts recited various poems as a token of gratitude to our mentors. Additionally, entertaining Bollywood games were enjoyed by our beloved teachers, who enthusiastically joined us on stage. Faculty members actively participated, sharing the stage with students from different departments who fondly reminisced about their memorable experiences with their favorite teachers. Concluding the auspicious occasion, teachers were presented with gifts as a symbol of appreciation and respect. Finally, our cherished teachers offered valuable feedback and graciously provided autographs, marking the conclusion of the event.



### ❖ Riwayat

Riwayat, our college's traditional day, was a vibrant celebration characterized by a beautiful blend of ethnic diversity and the lively essence of GSTians proudly displaying their distinct cultures and traditions. On October 19th, 2023, students from diverse academic backgrounds united, donning attire that reflected their rich cultural heritage. This festive occasion vividly captured the colorful mosaic of Indian culture and tradition. Numerous students enthusiastically engaged in the Riwayat Challenge, eagerly sharing group photographs and videos on their social media stories using the hashtag #RangeenRiwayat, demonstrating their fervent enthusiasm and spirited participation in the event.

### ❖ Garba Night

Amidst an atmosphere filled with excitement, the entire college came together to celebrate and dance to lively beats during Garba Night, held on October 20th, 2023. Adorned in traditional attire, students joyously swayed to the rhythmic garba tunes, immersing themselves in the festive spirit. This event not only allowed students to embrace the joyous ambiance but also offered a welcomed respite from their daily routines, allowing them to unwind and alleviate stress. Undoubtedly, this memorable occasion will linger fondly in the minds of the students.



### ❖ Republic Day

On January 26, 2024, the Cultural Team of SIES GST hosted a vibrant Republic Day celebration. The event commenced with the unfurling of the national flag, followed by a stirring musical performance by the Cultural Team, echoing the spirit of unity and diversity. Various cultural performances showcased the talents of students and faculty, highlighting our commitment to the values enshrined in the Indian Constitution. The celebration concluded with a sense of pride and camaraderie among attendees, serving as a reminder of our collective duty towards a strong and inclusive democracy.



## ❖ TML 2024

The Cultural Team hosted a significant pre-festival event on January 24th and 25th. The inaugural pre-festival event, "Spotlight," consisted of three rounds, each featuring different tasks aimed at identifying individuals with dynamic personalities. This event was designed to challenge participants by pushing them out of their comfort zones and observing how they adapt to various situations. On January 16, 2024, we celebrated the theme unveiling of Tatva Moksh Lakshya (TML), our annual cultural festival. This year, the theme for TML is "Mayanagari." Cultural clubs including Aaroha, Moksh, Aagmi, Aarambh, and Team SIES delivered exceptional performances. The Cultural Team also organized a FLASHMOB during the fest's launch, providing students with a much-needed break from their regular college routine. The TML launch was marked by enthusiasm and surprises, including celebrity appearances, which added to its uniqueness. The energetic dhol performance concluded the launch event.

TML took place on February 9th and 10th, 2024. We also organized a varied set of events. The list is as follows-

1. Group Dance
2. Fashion Show
3. The Voice (solo and duet)
4. Instrumedley
5. Abhinaydarshi (solo and duet)
6. Unplugged
7. Treasure Hunt
8. Crossfit
9. Minute to Win it
10. LAN Gaming (Valorant/ FIFA/ BGMI)
11. Breakout
12. Interbranch Dance Battle

All the highlight events were being judged by reputed artists in their renowned field. These events saw participation of students from all across Mumbai.



## ❖ Reconnect

SIES Graduate School of Technology celebrated Reconnect on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 organized by The Alumini cell and The Cultural team of the college. Reconnect 2024, our alumni meetup, was an evening brimming with nostalgia and camaraderie. Aarambh, the cultural club, set the tone with a captivating performance, followed by inspiring speeches and performances by alumni. Aaroha, another cultural club, struck a chord with nostalgic friendship songs. The event concluded with touching speeches by teachers, underscoring the enduring bonds between alumni and the alma mater.

### ❖ Tie & Saree Day

On March 20, 2024, the SIES Graduate School of Technology joyously celebrated Tie and Saree Day, an event thoughtfully organized by the Cultural Team of the college. This special occasion serves as a delightful opportunity to foster appreciation for Indian culture among students. With an array of vibrant sarees and stylish suits adorning the campus, the atmosphere was brimming with enthusiasm and elegance. Students enthusiastically embraced the spirit of the day, showcasing their cultural pride through their attire. The event not only celebrates tradition but also encourages unity and inclusivity within the college community. It serves as a reminder of the rich cultural tapestry that unites us all, irrespective of our diverse backgrounds.

### ❖ Open Mic 10.0

On April 8, 2024, the Cultural Team of the 2022-23 Student Council organized the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of Open Mic in the Amphitheatre starting at 4:00 pm. The event featured over 25 performances with an attendance of over 100. The diverse range of performances, including dance, singing, stand-up comedy, rapping, beatboxing, and poem reciting, created an enjoyable atmosphere where participants and audience members alike had a memorable time. This event provided students from all branches an opportunity to overcome stage fright and gain exposure for their talents.



The Cultural Team at SIES GST represents the student body and plays an active role in the Student Council meetings alongside other teams. Our relentless dedication is directed towards enhancing the student experience within the college community. Through our diverse range of events, we aim to underscore the significance of cultural diversity in our country. By fostering a sense of inclusivity and celebrating various cultural traditions, we strive to create a vibrant and welcoming environment for all students at SIES GST.