

It's official: Pillai's is the best college

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Vashit Pillai College of Arts, Commerce and Science situated in New Panvel has been awarded the Best College by the University of Mumbai. As part of the Independence Day celebrations, the vice-chancellor of the university, Dr Sanjay V Deshmukh, felicitated the college principal Dr Daphne Pillai at the University's Kalina campus.

This award was in recognition of valuable academic achievements and participation of the college teachers in the University system through various bodies of the University. Pillai college is known for its state-of-the-art infrastructure and learning environment which has been provided for students in New Panvel. The award was given also keeping in mind the various achievements, facilities provided and quality of education imparted. The criteria also includes NAAC accreditation, results, sports performance, add on courses, cultural activities, research projects etc.

Dr Anil Patel, Director, Board of Colleges and University Development, Dr Deepak Wasse, Controller of Examinations (Officework), Ashok A Phalnikar, Finance, Accounts Officer, Dr M.A. Khan, Registrar were also present on the said occasion. Dr Daphne Pillai said, "the award validates the initiatives taken by the institution and will provide added impetus to set new benchmarks in the field of education in the foreseeable future."

Pillai College indulges in various activities, discussions and debates that stimulates the minds of the students in various ways. They also conduct international education tours that help students to not only gain practical knowledge based on the study tour, but also exploring of various countries in the world. They also have an elaborate research centre, a part of which is affiliated with the New York University to collect some figures and data.

There have been many well known sportsperson, celebrities and great personalities who have passed out of Pillai college of Arts, Commerce and science.



Sanpada girl is state Law CET topper

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Vashit. As the first-ever common entrance test for the law admissions into a three-year and five-year programme was conducted on June 18 and 19, the results of the same were declared on August 12. Sanpada resident Pranvi Jain is the Maharashtra state topper. An avid Jain was expecting to be in the top 100 or 150, but securing the first rank came as a surprise to her family as well.

Inspired by her lawyer grandfather and with the motive to bring a change in the society, Jain is keen on pursuing five-year law programme at the Government Law College in Mumbai. She is waiting for the admission process to begin and will take admission in

the said college.

This 17-year-old was a student of Delhi Public School, Nerul. During her class 10 results also she had topped in her school but was unexpected that she would get the first rank in the state.

Jain lives with her parents and elder sister. "Everyone is very supportive of my decision and it is their motivation that has helped me achieve good scores all through. This being the first Law CET, there were no notes or question papers to refer to, all we could do was go through the law notes given by my seniors. It was very confusing during the preparation, as we started

soon after the board exams, there were hardly two months to study and prepare," added Jain.



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