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Principal Director's Message



Dr. Swati S. Mujumdar
Principal Director,
Symbiosis Open Education Society

Extremely proud that Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning has been picked as the Editors Choice, amongst the top 10 distance learning institutes in India by '**The Higher Education Review**'. This marks another feather in our cap, as we celebrate 25 years of SCDL this year. This achievement only strengthens my vision to creating an online platform to reach students across borders, transcend learning into a global space and marking a strong footprint of alumni year-on-year.

A heartfelt gratitude to the staff, students, alumni, our corporate partners and all stakeholders – it is because of You, that SCDL continues to lead the online learning space.

Director's Message



Major Sonali Kadam

Director, Symbiosis Centre for
Distance Learning (SCDL)

As we celebrate the festival of lights, I extend my warmest wishes to the entire SCDL family - our students, alumni, faculty, and staff.

Diwali is a time of joy, renewal, and reflection - a reminder that light always triumphs over darkness and knowledge over ignorance. At SCDL, we continue to illuminate lives through the power of education, empowering learners from all walks of life to achieve their dreams.

I'm delighted to share that **admissions for the January 2026 batch are now open**. I encourage aspiring learners and working professionals to take this opportunity to upskill, grow, and become part of our legacy of excellence in distance education.

Alumni Spotlight

Testimonials



My decision to pursue the PGDBA program at Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning (SCDL) stemmed from a deep curiosity and passion for understanding finance more comprehensively. I have always been fascinated by how financial systems shape the world around us — from businesses to economies — and I wanted to gain a structured, in-depth perspective of this dynamic domain.



Srikar Chatterjee

Director - Engineering,
Rockwell Automation

Although I had other options, SCDL stood out for its legacy of excellence, reputation for delivering high-quality distance education, and flexibility for working professionals like me. What impressed me most was how seamlessly SCDL balanced academic rigour with practical relevance. The program design, expert faculty, and accessible online learning platform allowed me to pursue my studies without compromising on my professional commitments.

Even during the challenging times of the pandemic, SCDL's commitment to student success was truly commendable. Online tests, virtual interactions, and prompt academic support ensured that learning continued unhindered. The experience was both intellectually stimulating and personally fulfilling.

The PGDBA program helped me strengthen my financial acumen, refine my analytical thinking, and develop a holistic understanding of management principles. Today, when I engage in discussions about business and finance, I can connect theory with real-world application more confidently and clearly.

I am deeply grateful to SCDL for nurturing this journey of growth and learning. The experience reaffirmed my belief that education is not bound by age or profession — it's a lifelong pursuit that continuously enriches us.



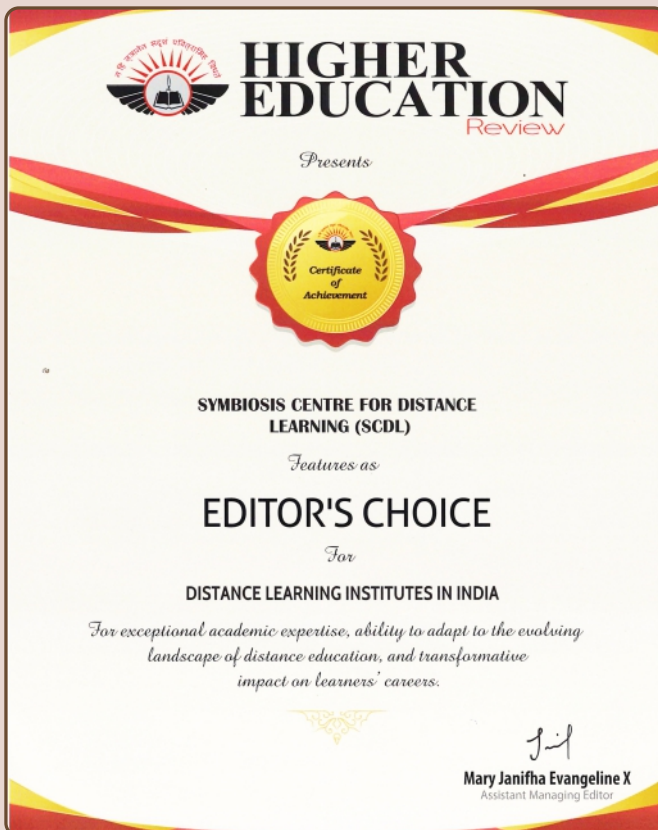
SCDL Awards & Achievements

We are proud to share that Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning (SCDL) has been featured in the November 2025 edition of *Higher Education Review* magazine under Editor's Choice: Distance Learning Institutes of India.

The featured article, titled “*Symbiosis Centre for Distance Learning (SCDL): Transforming Learning for the Modern Professionals,*” highlights SCDL's pioneering role in redefining online education through innovation, flexibility, and industry relevance.

This recognition reaffirms SCDL's continued commitment to delivering quality education that empowers working professionals and lifelong learners across India and beyond.

Read the full article here: [Higher Education Review November 2025 Edition](#)



Faculty Achievements

Prof. Vivek Ware

Participated in Faculty Development Program on “Various Initiatives of AICTE for Better Development of Institutions, Faculty, & Students” organised by S.P.I.T. Polytechnic, Kurund, Ahilyanagar, from 9th to 11th September 2025. This FDP focused on understanding AICTE's latest initiatives aimed at enhancing institutional growth, faculty development, and student outcomes.



Participated in Faculty Development Program on “Deep Dive into Functional AI Opportunities”

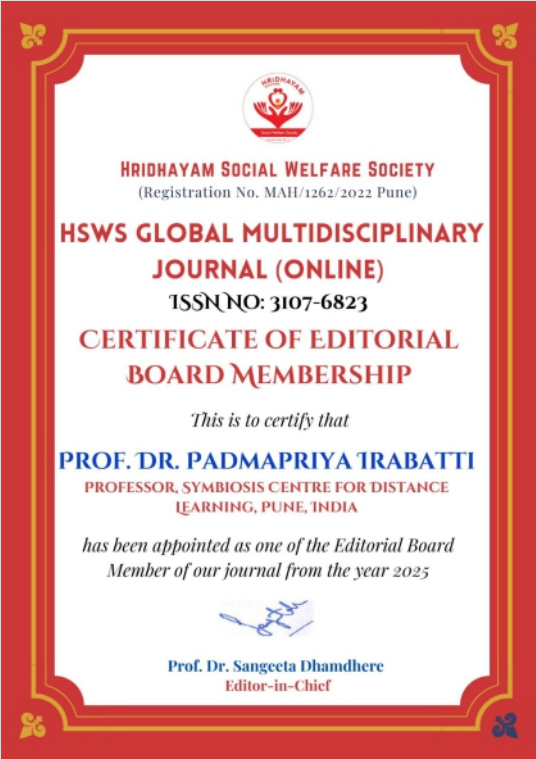
held from 4th to 8th August 2025 by the Institute of Industrial and Computer Management and Research. This FDP explored emerging applications of Artificial Intelligence across industries, equipping educators with the knowledge to integrate AI-driven concepts into academic and research practices.



Prof. Dr. Padmapriya Irabatti

We are delighted to share that Prof. Dr. Padmapriya Irabatti has been appointed as a member of the Editorial Board for the *HSWS Global Multidisciplinary Journal (Online)*, published by the Hridhayam Social Welfare Society (ISSN: 3107-6823).

This prestigious appointment recognises Dr. Irabatti's academic excellence, research contributions, and continued dedication to advancing multidisciplinary scholarship. Her inclusion on the editorial board further strengthens SCDL's presence in the global academic and research community.



Online Webinars – October 2025

Topic: Insightful Webinar on Vipassana Meditation – An Ancient Technique for Modern Life

Speaker: Dr. Narendra Hengade

Date: 3rd October 2025

Time: 4:00 PM

SCDL hosted an enlightening webinar titled “*Introduction to Vipassana Meditation*” by Dr. Narendra Hengade, Founder & MD, Wetinfra Engineering Services. The session explored how this ancient meditation practice can bring balance, clarity, and inner peace in today's fast-paced modern life.



Corporate Events

One-Day Training Workshop: Building High-Impact Teams for R&D – Sava Healthcare

Date: 14th October 2025

SCDL conducted an engaging **one-day training workshop** for the R&D team at **Sava Healthcare**, focused on enhancing collaboration, communication, and team synergy. Through storytelling techniques and hands-on activities, participants learned to build trust, leverage team strengths, & align towards shared objectives.



Over **50 participants** actively engaged in interactive exercises that encouraged teamwork, empathy, and innovation. The workshop concluded with renewed energy and a collective vision to drive impactful results in Sava Healthcare's R&D initiatives — reinforcing the power of collaboration and continuous learning.

Executive PGDM Campus Immersion at SCDL

Date: 4th - 5th October 2025

The **Executive PGDM Campus Immersion Program** at SCDL provided an enriching experience for working professionals pursuing management excellence. The session began with an inspiring address by **Maj. Sonali Kadam, Director, SCDL**, who emphasized the importance of continuous learning and leadership in today's dynamic world.



During the two-day immersion, students deepened their expertise in **strategic management, financial planning, decision-making, and innovation-led leadership**. Guided by industry experts, the participants explored real-world applications and strengthened their problem-solving abilities — equipping them with actionable insights to excel as forward-thinking leaders in their respective domains.



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