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सरदार वल्लभभाई पटेल इंटरनेशनल स्कूल ऑफ टेक्सटाइल्स एंड मैनेजमेंट  
**SARDAR VALLABHBHAI PATEL**  
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Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India has established and promoted Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International School of Textiles & Management (SVPISTM) in Coimbatore to promote Textiles and Management Education in the country to cater to the growing need for professionals in the Textile Industry. SVPISTM is the first of its kind in India promoted by the Central Government in Coimbatore District with a vision to create excellence in the youth of the country for management of the Textile Sector and to serve as a fountain head for nurturing world class Human capital capable of being the future leaders of Technology and Management, covering the entire Textile value chain to serve both domestic and Global needs in the Sector. It was established in Coimbatore as it was perceived as an important Centre of the textile industry in India, with the potential for both forward and backward linkages.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International School of Textiles & Management (SVPISTM) was established in 2002 and registered under the Societies Act 1975 as an Autonomous Institution by the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. It is a pioneer in Textile Management education. SVPISTM provides education, research, and consultancy services in the textile field to the government and private sector.

## **1.0 VISION**

To emerge as an internationally renowned Centre of Excellence in Textiles & Management education, creating a strong cadre of Professional Managers who will become inspiring performers and decision makers, capable of attaining high standards and competitive edge to bring the Indian Textile Industry to the forefront.

## **2.0 MISSION**

To impart vibrant, comprehensive and innovative learning to our students, enabling them to be managers, entrepreneurs, and leaders with strong cultural values and to provide an ambience to develop their skills to meet the challenges of the global business environment

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### **3.0 AICTE approval for MBA Programmes :**

AICTE extension of approval obtained for all the following five MBA programmes on 19th May 2024.

- ❖ MBA Textile Management
- ❖ MBA Apparel Management
- ❖ MBA Retail Management
- ❖ MBA Technical Textile Management
- ❖ MBA Textile Business Analytics

#### **4.0 Orientation programme of UG/PG programme for the Academic Year 2024-2025**

The orientation Programme at SVPISTM was organised on 21.08.2024 to turn newly inducted undergraduate and postgraduate students into successful Tex-Professionals. The Textile Commissioner of India, Mrs. Roop Rashi (Indian Audits and Accounts Service), was the Chief Guest of the event. Tracing the history of the textile industry, Mrs. Rashi pointed out that the textile sector owes much to human resources. Mrs. Rashi also called for innovative minds which will have the support of the Ministry. The occasion was also graced by Mr. Prabhu Damodharan, Convenor of Indian Texpreneurs Federation (ITF), Coimbatore, and Mr. Devadass Dhamodaraswamy, Director of Texcoms Worldwide Textile Solutions. Mr. Prabhu Dhamodaran addressed the students' expectations, calling them "the luckiest generation in the luckiest sector", where the sun never goes down. Mr. Devadass Dhamodaraswamy conducted an interactive session on the theme "Ignite, Inspire and innovate", underscoring the multi-faceted role played by Textiles. The programme was altogether inspiring and ensured a bright future for students in the textile sector

#### **5.0 NATIONAL LEVEL WORKSHOPS ORGANISED**

- **National Level Technical Symposium – TEXCELLENCE – 2024:**

SVPISTM organised a one-day National Level Technical Symposium-"Texcellence'24" with "Sustainability: Meeting Our Needs, Protecting Our Future" as the theme on 05.04.2024 at SVPISTM Auditorium. The overall objective of the symposium was to conduct events to increase awareness regarding various current trends and technologies in the textile sector. Various innovatively designed competitions titled Paper Presentation, Poster Presentation, Best Manager, Business Quiz, Management Analytics, Logo Designing, Adzap, On-Spot Photography, Group Dance and Fashion Show were held. The symposium witnessed the enthusiastic participation of over 400 students from various colleges in over 11 events that tested their creativity, wits and teamwork. Shri Ajay Gupta, Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Textiles, was the Chief Guest of the event. In his presidential address, Shri Ajay Gupta shed light on the essential role of the textile industry in society and its profound impact on the market. He emphasised the critical need for sustainable approaches and urged students to pioneer innovative advancements within the textile sector. He emphasised the vital role of technical textiles and the necessity for expanding research initiatives within the textile sector. The chief guest for the Inaugural Function, Shri. Srihari Balakrishnan, Managing Director of Sri Kannapiran Mills Limited, Coimbatore, emphasised the importance of adopting eco-friendly practices in textile production, particularly noting their substantial impact on reducing water consumption. The Chief Guest for the valedictory function, Mr. SMS Sankaralingam, Chief Executive Officer of the Kaur Textile Manufacturers Exporters Association, Karur, urged students to broaden their linguistic horizons by learning multiple languages, emphasizing their significance in today's globalized world. Furthermore, he emphasised the critical importance of sustainability practices and highlighted the indispensable role of Technical Textiles in addressing societal needs. Awards and certificates were presented to all the winners of all the events on the grand stage.

- An expert talk on "HR Analytics in Textile Industry" was organised for 2nd year MBA students on 25.07.2024. Dr.J.Shanthilakshmi, Professor, Jansons School of Management, Coimbatore, was the resource person.

- Students of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBA & 3<sup>rd</sup> year BBA/BSc-Technical Textiles, attended a webinar on “Sustainable practices in Manufacture of Medical Textile Products (Innovations, Impact, and Environmental Responsibility)” organised by SITRA on 31.07.2024.
- An expert talk on nature conservation on account of the Nature Conservation Day celebration was organised for all the students on 02.08.2024. Mr. T.R.A. Arunthavaselvan, Wildlife Photographer, was the resource person.
- To upgrade the knowledge about recent trends in Technical Textile Research and Development, the following seminar topics were presented by our faculty /students.
  - Water extraction from Fog using Technical Textile material
  - Bharat SIM & Neural Network
  - Fiber for Next Generation
  - 3D Printing Technology in Textile & Technical Textiles
  - European Commission guidelines for ECO design in textiles
  - Role of cotton Viscose Selvedge waste in creating useful textile products
  - European Commission Guidelines for Eco-Design Textile
  - Role of cotton / Viscose Selvedge waste in making composite for automobile applications
  - High Performance Fiber
  - The Next Frontier: Biomaterials
  - Cyber Security and Cyber hygiene: Technical Session for the Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign 2024
  - Upcoming innovation in the textile world
  - Brand Loyalty vs. Brand Switching: What Influences Modern Consumers?
  - Panel discussion on Fashion Forecasting for the Next Decade
  - Application of Weaver Ant Silk in Medical Textiles
  - Sustainable Fabric Innovations - Bio-fabricated Textiles
  - Empowering Startups: Awareness of Government Schemes in India
  - Tinospora Cordifolia
  - Towards Integrated Textile Display Systems
  - The Rise of the Gig Economy: Opportunities and Challenges for Graduates
  - Self-Healing Fabrics
  - The Evolution of Fin Tech: Disrupting Banking and Shaping the Future
  - Environmental Impact of Fast Fashion.

## **6.0 International collaboration:**

### **SVPISTM & GiZ, German Corporation for International Cooperation (GMBH), Germany:**

#### **Proposal on the topic “Knowledge, Values, and Education for Sustainable Development in Textiles” to Giz:**

SVPISTM, in collaboration with GIZ, successfully implemented the project titled "Knowledge, Values, and Education for Sustainable Development in Textiles", promoting sustainability and skill development across the textile value chain. The project trained 370 beneficiaries, including farmers, spinners, garment manufacturers, weavers, dyers, rural women, and SVPISTM students. Key training programs included Sustainable Production from Fiber to Finished Garments, benefiting 100 industry stakeholders with advanced knowledge of sustainable production practices; Pattern Making and Garment Construction, empowering 160 rural women with technical and entrepreneurial skills for self-employment; Textile Design Techniques, enhancing the creativity and technical expertise of 60 SVPISTM students; and Non-Woven Fabric Manufacturing, providing hands-on training to 50 students on sustainable fabric applications. The total grant of ₹1.80 crore (approximately) was effectively utilized for program execution, resource procurement, and impactful delivery. The initiative successfully fostered sustainability, empowered rural communities, and prepared students for industry demands.

## **7.0 Training and industry exposure visit program for the State Administrative Officer Trainees (OTs) from the Bihar Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development (BIPARD)**

SVPISTM has been nominated to host 442 State Administrative Officer trainees (OTs) (60-65 in each batch) from Bihar Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development (BIPARD) for a training and industry exposure visit program between 12.05.2024 to 07.07.2024 in and around Coimbatore. The total cost of Rs. 2.29 Crore for eight batches has been reimbursed by BIPARD.

BIPARD's choice of SVPISTM as the venue for this program underscores the institution's robust industry orientation and reputation. SVPISTM has continually fostered a collaborative environment with leading industrial entities, offering its students not only theoretical knowledge but also invaluable practical exposure to real-world scenarios. During their visit, the officers embarked on an enriching itinerary, which included tours of prominent industrial establishments in and around Coimbatore. These visits provided them with firsthand insights into operational processes, technological advancements, and the challenges faced by various industries. Such initiatives aim to bridge the gap between academia and industry, equipping administrative officers with the necessary knowledge to effectively navigate the complexities of the industrial landscape.

## **8.0 RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:**

The research project "Development of Vegetable Leather for Efficient Thermal Insulation Using Coarse Wool & Edible Waste to Target Export Markets" was assigned to SVPISTM by the Central Wool Development Board (CWDB) with a sanctioned amount of ₹26,41,800. As per the sanction order, ₹23,77,620/- (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> instalments) has been received, enabling SVPISTM to continue project activities towards its objectives. Experimental studies, including multiple laboratory trials, have confirmed that the appropriate proportions of the wet matrix (crushed edible waste matter mixed with wool waste) are crucial for leather sheet formation. Pilot samples have shown promising results, with further improvements underway in surface finishing. Prototype products such as ladies' sling bags, leather purses, mobile covers, and garments for both kids and adults have been developed. The physical and financial progress report has been submitted as per the prescribed format. Final sample development and corresponding testing are in progress, along with the preparation of the research report. Upon submission of the research report, the balance amount of ₹ 2,64,180 will be received as the final (third) instalment, as per the sanction order.

The Ministry has sanctioned the study/research proposal on 'Development of Herbal finished Women Sanitary Pads and Baby Diapers and a study on its Antimicrobial effect'. The final draft report with revised suggestions and future scope was submitted on 18.10.2024 and the project was completed.

## **9.0 Industry Visits:**

SVPISTM offers practical exposure to all the students as a part of their academic endeavor and arrange training for the students in various textile manufacturing units/field research on various challenges in the textile industry. In connection with this, 20 Industrial Visits and study tours were organized by the Institute.

- ✓ Sakthi Exports, Karur for 2nd BSc-Textiles, BSc-Technical Textiles, BBA students on 18.04.2024

- ✓ Tamil Nadu Textile Corporation, a Government of Tamil Nadu enterprise, Coimbatore, for 1st year BSc-Textiles/BSc-Technical Textiles on 18.04.2024.
- ✓ Thamarai Knitting & Ramu Creations, Tirupur, for 1st year BSc-Textiles, BSc-Technical Textiles and BBA students on 09.05.2024.
- ✓ Chen Co-optex, Chennimalai, Erode for 1st year MBA students 10.05.2024
- ✓ A nature trip to Nilgiri Biosphere, Anaikatti, was organised on 26.07.2024 on account of World Nature Conservation Day.
- ✓ Field trip for MBA students to MSS Mills, Tirupur, under the Recycle Textile Federation on 01.08.2024.
- ✓ Field trip for 2nd year UG students (B.Sc. Textiles, B.Sc. Technical Textiles & BBA) and 2nd year MBA Technical Textiles to Vasa Non-woven Industry, Coimbatore on 19.08.2024
- ✓ Exposure Visit organised for MBA students to ATAL Incubation Centre, Tirupur on 10.09.2024.
- ✓ As part of the training program on 'Non-Woven Fabric Manufacturing Using Natural Fibres' organised by the institute in collaboration with Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Germany, an industrial visit was arranged for BSc. Technical Textiles and MBA Technical Textiles students to Sunrise Technotex Private Limited, Coimbatore on 27.09.2024 and Shiva Texyarn Ltd. on 30.09.2024.
- ✓ An industrial visit was organised to Kalpana Cotton Spinning Mills on 18.10.2024 for 1<sup>st</sup> year PG students.
- ✓ An industrial visit was organised to Sri Kannapiran Mills Ltd, in Coimbatore on 18.10.2024 for 1st year MBA students.
- ✓ An industrial visit was organised to Atal Incubation Centre, Tirupur on 02.12.2024 for 3<sup>rd</sup> year BSc Textile and Technical Textile students.
- ✓ An industrial visit was organised to Central Silk Board, Udumalpet on 04.12.2024 for 1<sup>st</sup> year BSc-Textiles, Technical Textiles, Textile and Apparel Design, and BBA Students.
- ✓ An industrial visit was arranged to Sri Venkateshwara Mills, Uthukuli, Tirupur on 18.12.2024 for 1<sup>st</sup> year MBA students.
- ✓ As part of the curriculum, an industrial visit and study tour were organised for all UG and PG students from 05.01.2025 to 09.01.2025 in Bengaluru and Mysore. The program aimed to provide hands-on industry experience and explore various textile clusters, enriching students' academic knowledge and practical exposure.
- ✓ Study tour to Vietnam: For the academic session 2024-25, 35 students and 4 faculty members of SVPISTM participated in a study tour to Vietnam. The immersive learning experience provided students with valuable insights into Vietnam's textile and apparel industry, cultural heritage, and historical significance. During the study tour to Vietnam, from 25.02.2025 to 01.03.2025, the students explored Ho Chi Minh City's vibrant urban landscape, visited the historic Cu Chi Tunnels, and admired the architectural beauty of the Central Post Office. They also experienced the natural charm of the Mekong Delta, gaining an understanding of rural Vietnamese life. The academic highlight of the tour included a visit to PPJ Group International Company, where students learned about manufacturing processes and industry trends, and participation in the VIATT Fair, which showcased the latest innovations in textiles and apparel. The study tour fostered both academic and cultural enrichment, enhancing students' global perspective on the apparel industry.

## 10.0 SVPISTM's achievement in India's Best B-School Survey 2024:

SVPISTM is proud to announce its remarkable achievement in the India's Best B-School Survey 2024 conducted by India Today. SVPISTM has secured the 7th rank among government B-Schools in the South Zone, reflecting its dedication to excellence in management education. This recognition was based on key parameters such as the learning experience, placement performance, future orientation, selection process, governance, and living experience. Among approximately 125 government B-Schools in the South Zone and 3,200 management institutes across India, this accomplishment highlights SVPISTM as a premier institution for textiles and management studies.

## 11.0 Important Events & Celebrations:

- **World Environment Day:** On the occasion of World Environment Day, SVPISTM hosted a vibrant celebration under the theme "Our Earth, Our Future" with students, faculty to raise awareness and take action towards preserving and restoring land resources on 05.06.2024.
- **World Blood Donor Day** event was organised at SVPISTM on 14.06.2024, themed "20 Years of Celebrating Giving: Thank You Blood Donors." Dr. M. Senthil Kumar, MBBS, DNB, INT. MED., FCIM, DIAB, a Consultant Physician and Diabetologist from Hindustan Hospital, Coimbatore, was the Chief Guest of the event.
- **International Day of Yoga (IDY)** was celebrated on 21.06.2024 by SVPISTM with the theme "Yoga for Self and Society". The Institute organised an awareness program focused on health and yoga practices among 100 handloom weavers from the Handloom Weavers Co-operative Society Ltd., Sirumugai, on that day.
- **Visit of Foreign Delegates from Burkina Faso to SVPISTM:** A delegation from Burkina Faso, coordinated by Gherzi Consulting Engineers Pvt. Ltd., visited SVPISTM on 23.07.2024. The visit aimed to foster international collaboration and explore advancements in the textile industry. Key stakeholders from companies like GIZ, 2M Invest, and MEBF were part of the delegation.
- SVPISTM hosted the preliminary round of Handloom Fashion Show Season-7 in collaboration with Dream Zone and Kovai Makkal Sevai Mayyam. The event, held at Sardar Vallabhbai Patel Auditorium on 30.07.2024, celebrated National Handloom Day, emphasizing the promotion of handloom weavers. Seventy-five students showcased garments featuring Bhavani Jamakkalam, tie-and-dye methods, and diverse saree draping styles. The show aimed to highlight the craftsmanship and value of handloom textiles.
- As part of National Handloom Day celebrations, SVPISTM organized a Macramé workshop for the 12<sup>th</sup> grade students from PSG Sarvajana School at the Institute campus on 05.08.2024. Ms. Neelima, a skilled macramé artist, was the resource person.
- **National Handloom Day-2024:** SVPISTM commemorated National Handloom Day on 07.08.2024 that highlighted the rich heritage of India's handloom industry. Mr. K. Gunasekaran, National Awardee for Ahimsa Silk was the Chief Guest of the event. Mr. Rathinavel, General Manager of National Handloom Development Corporation (NHDC), Mr. M. V. Gopinath, a passionate Handloom Entrepreneur, and Mr. Sivaguru, handloom weaver and entrepreneur were graced the occasion. At the National Handloom Day celebration, Chief Guest Mr. K. Gunasekaran, a National Awardee for Ahimsa Silk, urged customers to support handloom weavers by choosing handloom garments.

Mr. Gopinath presented his research on combining Pashmina wool and silk to attract the European luxury market, which could benefit Indian weavers, and showcased his work on reviving Czech Kroj with Indian handloom. Students from Harvee School, Coimbatore, participated enthusiastically, while SVPISTM students highlighted their creativity in a fashion show featuring handloom garments. The event was praised for its vibrant display and educational sessions on the handloom industry, emphasising SVPISTM's commitment to promoting the handloom sector. The celebration underscored the institution's dedication to preserving and advancing the legacy of Indian textiles.

- **Independence Day 2024:** SVPISTM organised the 'Tiranga-Run' Marathon within the campus as part of the 78th Independence Day celebrations. The Director flagged off the event on 13.08.2024, which was held in support of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' initiative by the Government of India with a focus on the freedom struggle and the nation's achievements hitherto. The students, faculty and staff of SVPISTM took part with enthusiasm wearing 'Tiranga' imprinted T-shirts. The winners of the marathon were duly recognised with medals and prizes. SVPISTM celebrated the 78th Independence Day with vibrancy on 15.08.2024. The event began with the distribution of eco-friendly badges and flags made from recycled cotton paper. The national flag was hoisted by the Director. Prizes were awarded to the winners of the Innovative Products Development Competition held on 10.08.2024. The celebration also featured the planting of saplings on campus to promote environmental sustainability, and students enthusiastically participated in the 'Tiranga-Selfie' campaign in support of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' initiative.
- SVPISTM organised its Alumni Meet on 18.08.2024. The event witnessed a reunion of former students in a celebration of shared memories and accomplishments. The Chief Guest of the event was Dr.MK Shiva, Consultant Psychologist and Founder of Happy Mindster International, Coimbatore.
- **National Sports Day:** SVPISTM celebrated National Sports Day, in commemoration of the birthday of Hockey Wizard, Major Dhyan Chand, on 29.08.2024. Four teams named after eminent sportspersons, Abhinav Bindra, Neeraj Chopra, PV Sindhu and PT Usha actively participated in the 100 m run, Chess, Volleyball, Badminton and Tug-of-War events held from 26.08.2024 to 30.08.2024, as per the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) directed by the Government of India.
- **Teachers' Day:** Teachers' Day was celebrated at the institute premises on 05.09.2024. The event showcased a variety of cultural performances, including drama and games, and also featured a felicitation ceremony for the faculty.
- SVPISTM, Coimbatore, celebrated Onam with the theme of 'Armadham' or ecstasy, reflecting unity, equality, and cultural harmony. The event, held on 12.09.2024, brought together students, faculty, and staff in celebration of Kerala's rich cultural heritage. The event featured an array of cultural performances, including the traditional rhythmic beats of 'Chenda Melam', 'Thiruvathira' dance, 'Vadamvali' (Tug of War) and 'Uriyadi' (breaking the pot), showcasing the diverse cultural heritage of Kerala.
- SVPISTM, organized a Seven-day training Programme on "Manufacturing non-woven fabrics using natural fibres" from 23.09.2024, sponsored by Deutsche Gelleschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Germany for the students of BSc-Technical Textiles and MBA-Technical Textiles Management programmes.
- **World Gratitude Day:** SVPISTM, honoured its housekeeping staff and security personnel on World Gratitude Day on 23.09.2024, recognizing their invaluable contributions to maintaining a clean, safe and welcoming environment. Events included speeches, tokens of appreciation, and opportunities for staff to share their experiences, reinforcing a culture of gratitude in the community.

- SVPISTM and Hindusthan Hospital jointly organised a free health camp on 26.09.2024. The health camp was part of the Swachhata-hi-Sewa campaign in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Swachh Bharat Mission. The event was designed to promote health and wellness among faculty, non-teaching staff, housekeeping staff, and the general public. The health camp provided a range of services, including health screenings, consultations, and educational sessions on preventive care.
- SVPISTM launched the Swachhata-Hi-Sewa Campaign 2024, commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Swachh Bharat Mission on 28th September, featured a collective pledge for cleanliness, thematic selfies under 'Swabhav Swachhata, Sanskar Swachhata', [cleanliness as a natural habit and core value] and a thorough deep cleaning of campus facilities. Highlights included a plantation drive on the theme "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" honouring our motherland and nature; an exhibition on the theme "Waste to Wealth, Trash to Treasure" wherein students transformed waste materials into creative artefacts promoting recycling and environmental awareness; a spirited debate on the topic "Can India Achieve Cleanliness by 2047?"; a free health camp for the general public in collaboration with Hindusthan Hospital, Coimbatore, and Cyber Hygiene Workshops where sessions on safe online practices reinforced the importance of digital cleanliness.
- On 01.10.2024, SVPISTM organised Mahatma Gandhi's 145th birth anniversary with the Swachhata-Hi-Sewa 2024 campaign at SVPISTM premises. The event highlighted Gandhiji's principles of cleanliness, simplicity, and self-reliance through student speeches, a video showcasing cleanliness drives, and a sapling plantation. Awards were given to students for excellence in related competitions, emphasising the theme "Khadi as a Fabric of Freedom." The celebration inspired the SVPISTM community to embrace Gandhiji's vision for a cleaner, sustainable India.
- SVPISTM organised the Fresher's Day event on 01.10.2024, warmly welcoming new undergraduate and postgraduate students. The event set a positive tone for the upcoming academic year, emphasising the strong sense of community and growth that defines life at SVPISTM.
- SVPISTM organised a National Conference on "Kasturi: Revitalising Indian Cotton" in celebration of World Cotton Day on 07.10.2024. The conference was sponsored by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) and Indian Cotton Federation (ICF). The event featured discussions led by industry experts on the potential of Kasturi cotton to uplift India's textile industry. Solutions focused on branding, innovation, and export strategies, enhancing the Indian economy. The conference drew participation from students, researchers, and industry professionals, contributing to valuable insights on India's cotton future.
- SVPISTM observed World Health Day on 10.10.2024 by organizing an expert talk on mental well-being. Dr.A.Venkateswaran, Psychiatrist and founder of Natchiyar Mind care Clinic, Coimbatore, was the resource person, emphasized on taking a healthy diversion, and encouraged students to practice good habits and warned against entering into experiments caused by peer pressure.
- **National Unity Day 2024:** SVPISTM commemorated National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) with a series of vibrant events, paying tribute to the legacy of India's 'Iron Man' Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. This year, the significance of National Unity Day was heightened as the nation prepares to celebrate the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Patel, India's first Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister, who played a monumental role in the unification of India. The event commenced with a solemn flower tribute to Sardar Patel, where students gathered in the college premises to honour his legacy by paying floral tribute to Sardar Patel's portrait.

- **SVPISTM Graduates' Day** was a momentous occasion, celebrated with great enthusiasm and pride on 12.11.2024. Mr. K. Nagarajan, Founder and Chairman of Ramraj Group of Companies, and Er. S. Shanmugam, Chairman of UIT Educational Trust, Coimbatore, were the chief guest of the event. The highlight of the event was the distribution of certificates and medals to the best performers across various categories. The awards recognised academic excellence and the best of outgoing students, projects, designs, and product developments.
- As part of the celebration of National Constitution Day on 26.11.2024, a constitution day pledge was administered in the campus involving the students, staff and faculty members of the institute. By taking the pledge, the institute community reaffirmed their commitment to the principles of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity. This collective effort highlighted the importance of unity and shared responsibility in building a better nation.
- **TEXCITEMENT:** SVPISTM organised 'TEXCITEMENT' walkathon celebrating Coimbatore's significance as the textile hub of India, as part of the 17th edition of 'Coimbatore Vizha' on 30.11.2024. The 3 km long walkathon around the Race Course, themed 'Sustainability in Textiles', was flagged off by the Chief Guest, Ms. Vanathi Srinivasan, MLA for Coimbatore (South), who spoke on the significance of Coimbatore's association with textiles. She also highlighted the efforts of the Indian government in reviving the handloom weaving industry. Participants from SVPISTM, schools and colleges, and the general public showed their enthusiasm. Students from Kaumaram Prashanthi Academy (a school for special children) participated in the event. A fashion contest on sustainable costumes was conducted. Contestants wore upcycled costumes made of garment waste, used denim, plant fibres, and crocheted dresses made out of used yarn, waste garbage covers, broken CDs, and materials that consume less water. Best designs were awarded in three categories: male, female and children. TEXCITEMENT was intended for creating awareness on the use of sustainable textiles that have zero negative effect on the environment, and reversing the pollution caused by the textile industry. The walkathon witnessed a good number of participants contributing to the event's success.
- SVPISTM celebrated National Farmers' Day on 23.12.2024, inviting ten farming families from Pethikuttai and Sambaravallipudur villages, Coimbatore. The farmers, involved in diverse agricultural activities, shared insights into their challenges and successes. Mr. S. Mahalingam highlighted the potential of agriculture for unemployed graduates. Students enlivened the event with music, art and dance performances. Fun activities were organised for the farmers, fostering joy and engagement. The event emphasised the importance of agriculture and farmers' contributions.
- SVPISTM celebrated a significant milestone on 24.12.2024, marking its Establishment Day and reflecting on its remarkable journey since its founding in 2002. The event was graced by Mr.S.Jagadesh Chandran, Honorary Secretary of the South India Spinners Association (SISPA) and Managing Director of Hi-Tech Spinning Mills, Suler. Addressing the institute's aspiring students, Mr. Chandran emphasized the importance of passion and innovation, highlighting the enduring resilience and vitality of the Indian textile industry.
- SVPISTM organised Annual Sports day event on 03.01.2025, at the institute premises, presided over by the Director, who emphasized team spirit and humanity's social nature. The event included a March-past by Cotton, Silk, Jute, and Viscose houses, a Silambam performance, and medal distribution to winners of various games and track events. Silk house emerged as the overall champions. Chief Guest Mr. Prithvi Krishna Kumar, a sportsman and Joint Managing Director, Sulochana Cotton Spinning Mills, lauded the winners and highlighted the role of sportsmanship in building character and friendships. Quoting Nelson Mandela, he urged students to inspire change through fair play.

- Pongal Celebration-2025: SVPISTM organised ‘Pongal celebration’ at the Institute premises on 04.01.2025. As part of the celebration, pongal making competition and rangoli competitions were organised for the students to celebrate the traditional art form. The students have participated in traditional dhotis and sarees to mark the occasion.
- SVPISTM celebrated the 76th Republic Day on its premises. The event was led by the Director, who hoisted the national flag and highlighted India's pride as the world's longest-surviving democracy. The celebration included a dance performance, a speech on “India’s Advancement in Science and Technology”, and athletic activities. Winners of the Republic Day-themed quiz, essay writing, elocution, and poster-making competitions were awarded.
- SVPISTM Coimbatore observed Martyrs' Day on 30.01.2025, paying tribute to the courageous souls who sacrificed their lives for the nation's freedom. This solemn occasion marks the anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi's assassination in 1948. The ceremony commenced with a trumpet rendition of “Honouring Our Fallen Heroes”, setting a respectful tone for the event. This was followed by a two-minute silence in remembrance of those who selflessly gave their lives for the country.
- SVPISTM organised Tex-Aura 2025, an intercollegiate fashion show organised on 07.02.2025, celebrating creativity under the theme "Sculpted by Nature." Students from across Tamil Nadu showcased nature-inspired designs in an electrifying ramp walk. Chief Guest Mr. Amirtharaj Thettraru Kumar, Chief Product and Technology Officer of Aladdin 365 at Texcoms Worldwide, emphasised sustainability and digital innovation in fashion. The winners received trophies, cash prizes, and certificates. Sponsored by Aladdin 365, the event highlighted the fusion of fashion and nature, inspiring young designers toward innovation and eco-conscious design.
- The Director, accompanied by a team of faculty members and students, attended the textile event BHARAT TEX 2025 from 14.02.2025 to 17.02.2025. During this period, SVPISTM showcased a stall at Bharat Tex, New Delhi.
- A team of five delegates from Ethiopia visited SVPISTM on 20.02.2025, as part of an overseas skill development programme, aimed at enhancing technical and managerial expertise in the textile industry. The visit is part of a five-day programme organised by Texcoms Worldwide Textile Solutions.
- In celebration of World Sustainable Energy Day, SVPISTM organised a Guest Lecture on Sustainability in Real-time Industry Practice on 27.02.2025. Mr. E. Sakthivel, Managing Director of Punarbhavaa Sustainable Products, Tirupur, was the resource person.

### **Swachhata Pakhwada Activities.**

- As part of the Swachhata Pakhwada initiative of the Govt. of India, SVPISTM organized a seminar on “Reduce – Reuse – Recycle”, emphasizing the importance of sustainable waste management and environmental responsibility on 06.03.2025. Mr. Vignesh Amalraj, Country Manager at Institute for Ecology, Technology and Innovation (OETI), Zurich was the resource person.

- As part of the nationwide Swachhata Pakhwada initiative, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International School of Textile and Management (SVPISTM) organised a series of impactful events from 1st March 2025 to 15th March 2025, aimed at promoting cleanliness, environmental sustainability, and community engagement. The details are as follows:
  - Tree Plantation Drive: A Tree Plantation Drive was organised on 03.03.2025, where faculty and students came together to plant tree saplings, ensuring a greener future for SVPISTM.
  - The initiative emphasised the importance of increasing green cover and instilled a sense of responsibility towards environmental preservation.
  - Poster Presentation Competition: A Poster Presentation Competition was conducted on 04.03.2025, encouraging students to showcase their creativity and understanding of environmental issues. The best posters were recognised and awarded, motivating students to think critically about sustainable practices.
  - Exhibition on "Waste to Wealth" on 05.03.2025: An exhibition titled "Waste to Wealth" showcased upcycled products made out of waste fabric and old clothes, presented by students. The event reiterated the institution's commitment to promoting sustainable practices and the importance of repurposing waste into valuable products.
  - SVPISTM marked International Women's Day on 08.03.2025 with a grand celebration, honouring the achievements and contributions of women across various fields. Dr. Krishna Meera, Consultant Dermatologist at Reflect Skin Clinic, was the resource person who delivered an enlightening talk on 'Skin and Hair Health', defining skin care as the reflection of one's internal health, and provided valuable insights and practical advice on maintaining overall well-being.
  - Seminar on "Reduce - Reuse - Recycle" on 11.03.2025: A seminar on 'Reduce - Reuse — Recycle' was organised, emphasising the importance of sustainable waste management and environmental responsibility. The Chief Guest, Mr. Vignesh Amalraj, Country Manager at the Institute for Ecology, Technology, and Innovation (OETI), Zurich, shared valuable insights on practical waste reduction strategies and resource conservation. Students and faculty actively participated, gaining awareness about responsible consumption and innovative recycling techniques.
  - Workshop on "Fabric Scrap Totes": A workshop on "Fabric Scrap Totes" was conducted on 13.03.2025, where students learned to create reusable tote bags from fabric scraps. The hands-on session aimed to promote creativity and sustainability while addressing the issue of textile waste.
  - Mass Pledge for Cleanliness: On 14.03.2025, a mass Swachhata Pledge was taken by all students, faculty, and staff of SVPISTM, reaffirming their commitment to maintaining cleanliness and supporting sustainable practices. Participants vowed to dedicate two hours a week towards keeping their environment clean and inspiring others to do the same.

- The Swachhata Pakhwada events at SVPISTM successfully promoted awareness and responsibility towards cleanliness, sustainability, and environmental conservation. Through engaging sessions and active participation, the initiative empowered students and faculty to adopt a more eco-conscious lifestyle and contribute positively to society. The institution remains committed to supporting such initiatives that align with the national vision of a cleaner and greener future.
- SVPISTM celebrated World Recycling Day 2025 on 18.03.2025, highlighting the importance of sustainable practices and waste management. Competition on “Smart Recycling Solutions for a Sustainable Future” witnessing enthusiastic contestants who presented their innovative ideas on recycling. Dr. Mythili, Former Principal of PKR Arts College for Women, Gobichettipalayam, was the chief jury. The winners of the competitions in association with the day were honored with prizes and certificates. The celebration of World Recycling Day 2025 at SVPISTM reaffirmed its dedication to eco-friendly initiatives, encouraging students and faculty to integrate recycling into their daily lives.
- SVPISTM celebrated World Water Day on 24.03.2025. Dr. K. Sudhakaran, Managing Director, Confident Process, Tirupur, a leading expert in textile wet processing and wastewater treatment, was the resource person. He shared groundbreaking perspectives on sustainable water management and innovative wastewater treatment technologies, offering valuable insights to students and faculty. Also, Dr.K.Sudhakaran emphasised that doubling clothing usage and embracing recycling can greatly contribute to environmental conservation and sustainability. The session was followed by a Q&A session. Students performed a mime on the day’s theme. The winners of various competitions were honoured for their innovative ideas and commitment to sustainability.
- SVPISTM organised a two-day workshop on Sikki Art and Kalamkari Art for B.Sc. Textiles, B.Sc. Technical Textiles and B.Sc. Textile and Apparel Design students on 25.03.2025 & 26.03.2025.
- SVPISTM organised a half-day workshop on Business Model Development on 26.03.2025 for 1<sup>st</sup> year MBA students. Dr.Chandrasekhar Menon, Founder Director of M/s. Swift MBA was the resource person.
- The institute organized a one day hands-on-workshop on "Machine Learning and Data Visualization using R Programming for Textile Business Data" for 2nd year BBA-Textile Business Analytics students on 27.03.2025. Dr.K.Santhiya, Head-learning, Training, Content and Instructional Design-MGC, KGISL EDU, Coimbatore was the resource person.

### **Board of Governors’ meeting:**

Four board of governors meetings have been conducted from April 2024 to March 2025.

National Level Technical Symposium – TEXCELLENCE – 2024



**Training and industry exposure visit program for state Administrative Officer trainees (OTs) from Bihar Institute of Public Administration and Rural Development (BIPARD):**





**Foreign Delegates visit from Burkina Faso to SVP/ISTM:**



**National Handloom Day-2024**



## Independence Day-2024:



## Alumni meet 2024:



**National Sports Day 2024:**



**Onam Celebration:**



**Skill Training Programme on Pattern making and Garment Construction for Rural women by SVPISTM and GIZ Germany:**



## Swachhata-Hi-Sewa Campaign 2024:



**World Cotton Day 2024:**



## SVPISTM Graduates' Day:



## National Unity Day 2024:



**TEXCITEMENT-2024:**



## Establishment Day



## Annual Sports Day



**Annual Sports Day:**



**TEXAURA-2025, an intercollegiate fashion show:**



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Delegates from Ethiopia visited SVPISTM:



Swachhata Pakhwada initiative, at SVPISTM Tree Plantation Drive



## Seminar on "Reduce - Reuse – Recycle"

