

## SPECIAL INITIATIVES TAKEN BY FACULTY OF SOCIAL WORK

### Equal Opportunity Cell

Equal Opportunity Cell was created under UGC XI Plan at University Level, to provide platform where deprived groups get the additional opportunity to work more. It emphasis is to provide learning opportunity for deprived groups by creating space and mainstream them.

### Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The IQAC is formulated for monitoring the quality parameters in The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda. The task of the Cell is to arrange for feedback, responses from stake holders of the University on quality related institutional processes and to develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic improvement in the performance of institutions.

### National Service Scheme

NSS is a national programme and its motto is personality development among youth through community service. It enrolls student volunteers from different faculties of the University who are involved in varied social activities.

### Nodal Agency for Childline

The Faculty is appointed as Nodal Agency for CHILDLINE (a help line for children in distress) in April 2000. The Nodal Agency looks over the training, monitoring, documentation, publicity and awareness of Childline in Vadodara.

### Office of Corporate Affairs

The Office of Corporate Affairs, The M. S. University of Baroda, housed at the Faculty of Social Work is established to strengthen the University – Industry relationship to work towards garnering active support from industries, facilitating their involvement in research, training and placements of students.

### Placement Cell

The Placement Cell provides guidance to students on career opportunities. Taking a note of the Faculty's persistent efforts for students' placements and success in achieving placements for the Masters Students; the UGC has provided the Faculty a grant to formalize the placement activities in the form of a special Placement Cell which has now taken shape at the Faculty of Social Work.

### Social Research and Development Cell

SRDC is an independent Cell created under UGC DSA-II plan to meet the high quality social research and developmental needs. SRDC aims to contribute to social and sustainable development, investigate and research political social and economic problems and help strengthening local NGOs and raising awareness about the problems that needs immediate attention.