

Appendix 'C'

- 1) Hundreds of youth in Sangli in the <sup>grip</sup> ~~grief~~ of Narkotics  
(From Sopan Patil)

For last few months hundreds of Sangli youths are in the grip of severe habit of narkotics. It is reliably learnt that some youth have succumbed to this habit. This narkotics substance known as 'Shampu' 'Seven Rupee cigarette' has become a challenge to parents, police machinery, and to whole society. The youths who are addicted to the seven rupee cigarette become quite uneasy. Why even very much distressed at a particular smoking time. If they lack sufficient amount to buy the cigarette, they make collections and bring one cigarette. The cigarette which is costlier than any other narkotic can satisfy the beat of intoxication of four to five youngsters at a time.

Habit stiken groups of youngsters are observed near old railway station, station road, Khan Section; Mutton market, Maruti road etc. Dealings in these cigarettes giving more intoxication than liquor and narkotics like Opium, charas and hemp are only done secretly. Nobody gets it without special identification. It is learnt that some habit stikken youths succumbed to this habit in the last four or five months. But their parents are not ready to believe that their son died of 'Shampu' because of public censure.

This cigarette is available in Nal region. Here previously police raided many times. Particular drug is mixed in 40 Kg. Opium and 1 Kg. essence is obtained and it is powderised later on. This 1 kg. powder costs Rs. 40,000/-. This powder known as 'Gard' is mixed in the cigarette tobacco. This cigarette is known as 'Shampu'.

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- 2) "Volunteer Organisations should take initiative in prohibition programme" -

- Justice Dharmadhikari -

Mr. Chandrashekar Dharmadhikari prominent justice of Bombay High Court, appealed to all volunteer organisations and social workers to try to keep away students community from drinking habit. He pointed out that this habit has spread considerably among students. If we do not stop this, it will have deep and disastrous social effects.

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Daily Satyawadi - 8.8.84

- 3) Provision of country and foreign liquor in college elections.

Roads are painted with coloured letters, pamphlets bills are being circulated. Person to person canvassing is given utmost importance. Provision of foreign and country

liquor is made in hotels and boarding houses for the sake of student voters by three groups. Parents show utter disapproval of the methods like abducting students, giving dinner parties, exchange of hol words etc.

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Pratidhwani - 3.7.1984

- 4) 'Police are unable to see the smoke of 'Shampu'.

It is reported that the Shampu cigarette is freely available in Sangli market. Hundreds of youth are attracted towards this. Collegiates seemed to be overwhelmed by this evil habit. The people are surprised to find that the police are unable to check this.

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Daily Tarun Bharat -

- 5) "Students should enlighten the people to eradicate drinking". Hon. Kallappa Awade

Hon. Kallappa Awade, State Industries Minister appealed to the students in the prohibition training seminar organised by Shivaji University, Kolhapur (N.S.S. Department). He appealed the students to take part in this national programme and enlighten the people to stop drinking.

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Daily Sakal - 15th January, 1984.

6) "College election system needs change"

Gymkhana elections in 122 colleges affiliated to Shivaji University were held recently. It seemed that main objective to hold these elections is defeated when we observe the nature of these elections. Various objectionable methods have entered in these elections. Goondaism is taking root in this process. Various malpractices like abduction of candidates, threatening and terrorism are done commonly and openly. The more concerning matter is that politicians of this field is taking part openly. Another equally concerning matter methods like forcefully taking away students from home, arranging tour and drink parties etc. are being extensively used.

Consequently election has become on platform turbulent moneyed ruffians. All these tendencies must be thoroughly rooted out. Educationist, experts and thinkers should think over this problem and make necessary changes present day system of college election procedure. This does not mean that elections are not wanted, but these should be so planned and managed so as to develop proper development of moral outlook and good 'Sanskaras'.

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Daily Pratidhwani - 9th July, 1984.

7)                   " Use of novel methods, New Techniques  
                      in college gymkhana elections"

Election campaigning in colleges affiliated to Shivaji University have reached the final stage. This election battle may outpass even the parliamentary elections. Colleges in Kolhapur, Sangli cities are full of noise and bustle of election campaign. New techniques of propaganda are used in these elections. Tea and wet-dinner parties, cinema tickets are provided to student voters.

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Daily Sakal - 4.8.1984.

8)                   " Class Representatives Elections "

Barring some stray incidence elections for C.R. in the colleges were held in contesting spirit. In today's elections trivial wordy battles took place among rival contestants. In some places the events took serious turn. In these elections amount of many lacks was squandered and friendly dinner parties, tea parties, drink parties, plays VDO shows, films etc. are used.

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Daily Satyawadi - 5.8.1984.

9) " Change in College election system is needed "

Now that college elections are over. Tomorrow's citizens should be well acquainted with democratic set up of the country. Hence the college elections are held. But day by day this process is getting headious threatening, fighting, kidnapping etc. know no limits. Pandemonium is let loose in which stiks, axes swords, revolvers, acid bulbs, liquor-mutton parties, jeeps and cars are used. Students from powerful rich, but brazen communities have tremendous influence on these elections. This improper election procedure is being neglected by authorities for more self interest. Some expert citizen committee should uniledly demand a change in the pattern of the elections.

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Letters to press