## **Press Release**

## **Foundation Day 2018**

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Shreemati Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Women's University (SNDTWU) synonyms with women's higher education will be completing 102 years this foundation day. The Foundation Day 2018 is special as **Honourable Shri Nitinji Gadkari**, Minister of Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation; Government of India will be the **Chief Guest** of the function.

Sir Sitaram and Lady Shantabai Patkar Deekshant Sabhagriha at Churchgate campus of the University on **July 5**, **2018 at 11am** the celebration of foundation day programme, will also have **Shri H.R. Gaikwad**, Chairman and Managing Director B.V.G. India Ltd. as a Guest of Honour and **Shri Shudhir Thackersey**, Chairman Emeritus Hindustan Mills Ltd attending the function. The progarmme will be presided over by **Vice Chancellor Professor Shashikala Wanjari** and **Prof V.N. Magare**, **Pro-Vice Chancellor** of the University.

The celebrations of the pre-Centennial year of SNDTWU had begun in July 2015 with Foundation Day address by Padma Shri and Padma Bhushan Dr. Raghunath A Mashelkar, National Research Professor and President Global Research Alliance, CSIR- National Chemical Laboratory, Pune. Foundation Day address in 2016 was delivered by Shri. Ch. Vidyasagar Rao, Honourable Chancellor and Governor of Maharashtra and Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Honourable, Chief Minister of Maharashtra and Shri Vinod Tawde, Honourable Minister School Education; Sports, Higher & Technical Education were also present as Special Guest and Guest of Honour. In July 2017, the centennial celebrations took place with three programmes across three campuses of the university.

As has been the practice, this foundation Day also Maharshi Karve utkrusht Shikshak and Shikshketar Purskars to teaching and non-teaching employees of the university and best College award will be given. Felicitation of first five donors of the Bhai Duj Nidhi Scheme announced in the memory of the founder Shri Sir Vithaldas Thackersy at the Churchgate programme in 2017 will also take place. The Nidhi will be utilized for scholarship, research support, hostel or mess bills of women students in order to support their higher education.