



A study of Dr. Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil's Contribution in the field of Education

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ABSTRACT: *Padma Shri Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil for the education of poor children of Maharashtra Founded the Pravara Rural Education Institute. Many students were provided educational facilities through this institution. At the same time, work was also done for the education of girls through the Pravara Rural Education Institute. Education work was done on a large scale through the MHSOBA Education Fund.*

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1. Introduction

Maharashtra's rural agrarian society, peasants, agricultural labourers, unorganized restricted classes, slavery of the British government, poverty, superstition, pestilence and other development-killing factors were linked to the sovereign cycle. The sugarcane farmers and laborers are exploited and exploited at all levels by capitalists and industrialists. During such a crisis, Ahmednagar Congressman Loni, a female MLA born in a farming family in a Patil village, had vision, self-confidence, ingenuity in the district, ingenuity, collective committee, Asian Co-operative Sugar Factory started 1950 here.

The rural community gained credit and prestige. Empowering rural economy. Vikhe-Patil Cooperative Cooperative Baljabari has contributed economically, educationally, socially and culturally to the local society. A long discussion of educational thinkers in the debates on the topic of 'ideal teacher'. Bhag Vikhe Patil presented his thoughts in this

statement. He said, "This school is going to benefit not only those Chas villages but also Karachi. Nowadays the burden of many subjects and they have to study many subjects. Education should be done at leisure. It should be useful in life. In such a way to create a lateral active to remove pravara education institute.¹

2. Establishment and functioning of Pravara Rural Education Institute

Through the efforts of Padmashri Vikhe-Patil and Annasaheb Shinde, a seminar on ideal education was organized on 08 July 1962 at Pravaranagar. The Chairman of that seminar was the Principal of Modern High School in Pune Mr. Plates were worn. Intellectuals working in the field of education and interested in education participated in this seminar and presented their thoughts. While presiding over this seminar, Mr. Tatke said that "Rajaram College founded by Sambhaji Raje II in Kolhapur in 1880 to educate the society in the pre-independence period, Deccan Education Society founded in Pune in 1885 by

Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Namdar Gopal Krishna Gokhale and social reformer Gopal Ganesh Agarkar, Satara in 1909 The Ryat Education Institute established by Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil here,

The Nashik Maratha Vidya Prasarak Samaj educational institution established by Karmaveer Raosaheb Thorat, Bhausaheb Hire, Annasaheb Murkute in 1914 at Nashik, the educational institution at Amravati in Vidarbha in 1931, The Shivaji Shiksha Prasarak Sanstha founded by Panjabrao Deshmukh was doing the sacred work of imparting knowledge.

In the post-independence period, the government took the responsibility of education to a great extent. But unfortunately, the pre-independence harmony and bond between students, teachers, parents, educational institutions and society in the education sector seems to be eroding. This is a matter of concern. There is an urgent need for such private educational institutions to end this atmosphere and start a new era of harmony and cooperation to play their part in the creation of the nation and in the reconstruction of the society. From the discussion of this seminar, it was decided to establish an educational institution at Pravarnagar. Dated On March 13, 1964 Pravara Rural Education Society or Pravara Rural Education Society was established and Vitthalrao Vikhepatil was appointed as the Chairman of this organization.

Further educational institutions were started through Pravara Education Society. Pravara Public School, Pravara Kanya Vidya Mandir (1969), Padmashri Dr. Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil Art, Science and Commerce College

(1977), Vanita Development Board, Pravara Development Board (1970), Shri. Chhatrapati Shivaji Vidyalaya Pathri Budruk, Karmveer Bhaurao Patil Vidyaniketan Ashvi Khurd, Shri. Mahatma Phule Vidyalaya Dar Budruk, Shri. Yashwantrao Chavan Vidyalaya Rajuri, Padmashri Dr. Apart from these institutions Vitthal Vikhe Patil Engineering College Pravaranagar Padmashri Dr. Polytechnic Pravranagar for boys and Polytechnic Pravranagar for girls are run in the technical department of Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil Institute of Technology and Engineering.

Also Medical College and Abhimat University are running here. "Self-reliance, self-respect, self-reliance and freedom are in line with Vitthalrao's thoughts on the four principles of education supported by Karmaveer Bhaurao Patil."²

3. MHSOBA Education Fund

MHSOBA Fund is also one such brainchild of Vitthalrao's micro-business vision. "Cargoes of sugarcane are brought to the factory full. They are left on the platform. After weighing the sugarcane in order, they go back. On the platform, the sugarcane stalks that were thrown for the oxen or fallen from the cart, etc. are also lying. The wasted sugarcane is collected and weighed and the money is collected. Vitthalrao has made arrangements to be deposited in the fund. There is a shrine of Mhasoba in the factory premises. That is why the name was given to this fund. The amount collected in this fund is spent only for education."³

4. Conclusion

Padmashri Dr. Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil, while leading the co-operative movement, created trusts for education and religious work at various places. Vikhe Patil through this trust. He did a lot of service to the poor, the Dalits and the victims. Vikhe Patil gave spiritual foundation to his social service. Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil in the last century is the only example of such a large number of trusts being created.

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