



SIR VITHALDAS THACKERSEY COLLEGE  
OF HOME SCIENCE (AUTONOMOUS)  
S.N.D.T. WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY, MUMBAI



*Cordially invites you to*

## **First Sudhir Krishnaraj Thackersey Endowment Lecture**

By

Eminent Speaker 1:

**Dr. Priyadarshini Karve**

Director, Samuchit Enviro Tech

On

**“COPING WITH CLIMATE CHANGE”**

&

Eminent Speaker 2:

**Dr. Nicole van der Elst Desai**

Founder – VDE Consultancy, Councilor and  
Chair of Sustainability Steering Committee

On

**“SUSTAINABILITY EXPLORED : THE MANY ASPECTS OF IMPACT FLOW”**

Date: Monday, January 9th, 2023

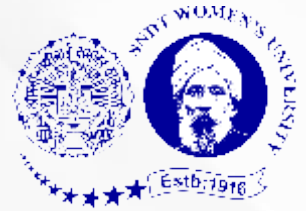
Time: 11.00 AM to 1:00 PM

Venue:

J.H. Center for Educational Technology, (Mini Auditorium),  
SNDT Women's University, Juhu, Mumbai - 49, Maharashtra, India.



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## **SUDHIR KRISHNARAJ THACKERSEY**

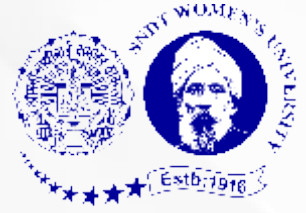
### **Founder: Endowment Fund**

Born in 1935, Mr. Sudhir Thackersey currently serves as a director in 13 Companies in India

He has been involved with the Thackersey family businesses for several decades. The companies he is associated with are from various industries such as Trading, Education, Manufacture of Textiles, Manufacturing (Metals & Chemicals and their products), Finance, Construction and many more. He has also been the Chairman of several prestigious Textile Associations. He now spends most of his efforts in Philanthropic & Charitable activities. He was also a world ranked table tennis champion.



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## **DR. PRIYADARSHINI KARVE**

She is the Managing Director of Samuchit Enviro Tech. a social enterprise that has been selling a wide range of biomass energy, renewable energy, and energy efficient household energy devices.

In a career spanning more than 20 years, Dr. Karve invented a number of improved biomass burning cooking devices, to reduce smoke in the kitchen and dependence on firewood for domestic cooking in rural areas. She has also invented an easy-to-use Samuchit Carbon Footprint Calculator for Urban Indians.

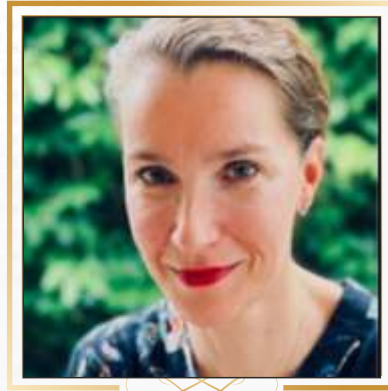
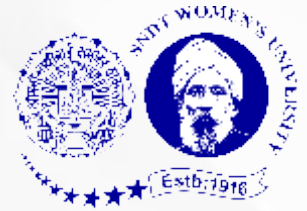
Dr. Karve is actively involved in international organizations working in the field of renewable energy, equitable sustainable development, pro-poor carbon finance, etc. She teaches courses on Sustainable Development and Climate Change at Symbiosis International University and is co-editor of 'Shaikshanik Sandarbh' a Marathi language bi-monthly on Science and Education.

Her work has been honored by several national and international awards, including World Technology Award (by World Technology Network, New York), Sahyadri Hirkani Award, Pune's Pride Award for Innovation etc.

She has also been featured in a number of national and international periodicals, publications and radio and television programmes.



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## **NICOLE VAN DER ELST DESAI**

Is a Management Consultant for Business Management,  
Project Management, Program Management,  
Technical Support, Online Research and Training.

Nicole van der Elst Desai is a valued expert in the field of textile innovation, sustainability and technology. Her 20 years of experience working in the textile and apparel industry covers, both, brands & retailers as well as their manufacturing partners. Along with being a Founder member for VDE Consultancy she is Circular Leap Asia Advisor for Tackling Microfibres at source, Forum for the Future. She has been Member of The Board of Advisors 'Livingwear' and Trainer for 'Sustainable Fashion Supply Chain'. She also Volunteers as Mentor for the following:

- Asia Innovation Programme: Fashion for Good
- Council and Chair Sustainability Steering Committee, Singapore Fashion Council
- Specialist mentor - Sustainable materials: The Bridge Fashion Innovator (TBFI)