

## IPS- PACT Mediation Certificate Training Programme at VIPS- 23 and 24 August 2017

The VIPS Mediation Certificate Training Programme was organised by Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies in association with the Peacekeeping and Conflict resolution Team (PACT) on 23rd and 24th August. The event was attended by 120 participants from over 35 colleges including both students and faculty. It was conducted by the trainers -Mr. Jonathan Rodrigues, Mr. Arjun Natarajan and Ms. Tanima Tandon. The inaugural address by Prof Dr Rashmi Salpekar, Dean Vivekananda Law School, VIPS and the ritualistic lamp-lighting marked the beginning of the programme. Sessions commenced in accordance with the prescribed module of simulations on varied themes including role plays wherein the participants were each given different sets of classified information for character building followed by rounds of negotiations with their fellow team-mates. Curtains were drawn after the vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Nitika Singhal, Chief Student Co-ordinator for the programme. Student coordinators Ms Nitika Singhal, Mr Kartikey Agarwal and Mr Akshay Gupta worked hard for the success of the event.

