

Dr. Pallavi Darade, IRS

Commissioner, Food & Drugs Administration



Key Highlights



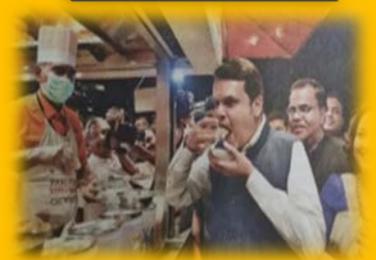
- Dr. Pallavi Darade is a seasoned and well-established bureaucrat with a blend of diverse and matured experience in leading prestigious portfolios in different departments of the Government such as Income Tax, Tribal Development, BMC, Food and Drugs Administration in Maharashtra at Nagpur, Pune, Kolhapur and Mumbai.
- With her passion to work, ingrained confidence, multi-tasking and decision making capabilities, Management & Administrative proficiency, meticulous planning, policy framing, strategizing and implementing aptitude she has reign to one of the top ladder of bureaucracy i.e. Commissioner.
- Driven with high energy levels, excellent communication skill, proactive and positive approach she has established proven track record of exceeding performance and made a visible contribution in growth and channelization of the Department to achieve their vision, mission and goal.

Academics



- Dr. Pallavi Darade developed a unique zeal of accomplishments and achievements since her academic career. Her brilliance, multifarious intellectual aptitude and successes have been amply reflected during her academic life.
- During Graduation, she not only successfully completed the M.B.B.S. degree from Govt. Medical College, Nagpur (Batch 1994) and became a medico professional but established as a distinctive Topper of the University in Surgery specialization.
- Besides being qualified doctor she demonstrated her multifaceted acumen by succeeding in Indian Revenue Service (I.R.S.) in batch of 1997, IRS being one of the toughest administrative selection process of the Union Public Service Commission (U.P.S.C.).
- She also studied the LAW and got the L.L.B. Degree, from Nagpur University and here also she maintained her distinctive capabilities and became topper of Nagpur University in LLB
- During the foundation course exams also she became topper in the History subject.
- She also showed her strong foothold in physical fitness activities and became a Gold Medalist for Marathon during training at National Police Academy (N.P.A.), Hyderabad and National Academy of Direct Taxes (N.A.D.T.), Nagpur

Present Portfolio



- Under her guidance and directives, various trainings were conducted across Maharashtra State which have benefited more than 2 Lakh FBOs, Chemists, wholesalers and retailers. This has resulted in increasing the compliance as per the Food Safety & Standards Act and Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and 2006.
- Under her guidance and visionary leadership FDA department is able to conduct successful drives to crack down against the spurious cosmetics across Maharashtra. This initiative is appreciated a lot at various forums.
- First of its kind, state of the art seminars were conducted for Drugs inspectors of Maharashtra, Goa and Chhattisgarh for creating awareness about implementation of new act for Medical Devices.
- Department has conducted massive awareness drive amongst street food vendor, around 150 workshops were organized across Maharashtra, and more than 17,000 street food vendors were trained and various instructions were given to the street vendors to improve the quality and hygiene of street food which again is consumed by common us on a large scale
- Department has issued a letter to all School /Colleges to regulate their canteen and food supply in compliance with the FDA Guidelines. This Project was initiated and launched successfully under her dynamic leadership.
- Department created Clean Street food Hub in Mumbai at Juhu and Girgaon chowpatty, this initiative was highly complimented by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Maharashtra. Based on this success story now 16 more Hubs need to be created across State.

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Awards

- Department has organized highest number of training in Maharashtra for preparing the quality, safe & hygienic Prasad for blissful offering to God. This was done under Project named BHOG. About 300 temples including 3564 temple trustees, Prasad maker and other staff were covered under this training program. Even US FDA has accredited Prasad at various worship places as Safe and Hygienic for consumptions, post adoption of our guidelines by those worship places.

Dr. Pallavi Darade has been recognized for her dedicated services and hard work and decorated with several awards by dignitaries, society and media. Few to mention are as below:



- **Government of India Award for Exemplary Performance' FY 2018-19**
 - ✓ On the basis of her exemplary work, she was accolade with best performance award for delivering exemplary enactment by State of Maharashtra on various parameters of Food Safety during 2018-19. She was awarded by the hands of Hon'ble Union Minister for Health Dr. Harsh Vardhan and Hon'ble MoS A.K. Choubey, Secretary Health Preeti Sudan, Chairperson of FSSAI Rita Teatolia!!

- **Government of India Swachha City Award 2016**
 - ✓ On the basis of her good work, she was given the prestigious posting as Additional Municipal Commissioner – B.M.C. (City) and here also with her pragmatic approach, interfaces with different sections, zest to serve, dedication and team spirit, Mumbai stood 1st amongst Megacities in the Swachha Bharat Mission. As such her services were recognized by the prestigious "Swachha City Award" by the hands of his Excellency Vice President of India (then Hon'ble Union Minister) Shri Venkaiah Naidu in New Delhi, on 15.02.2016.

- **Rajiv Gandhi Prashaskiya Gatimanata Abhiyan Award for excellent work done in Tribal Development Department.**
 - ✓ Skilled development of more than 5000 youth, was carried out during her tenure. More than 200 tribal girls were given training of A.N.M. Nurse for 2 years and all of them have cleared the course with Merit & Distinction and are gainfully employed. This initiative was first of its kind to be implemented in Maharashtra.
 - ✓ Novel training of lawn tennis was conducted in which 80 children were made lawn tennis coach and are gainfully employed in various cities of India.
 - ✓ Other skilled development initiatives such as security guard training, landscaping training, gardener's training, hotel management training etc, have resulted in employment of tribal in various sectors.

- **Dainik Bhaskar Award for the year 2013**
 - ✓ This was awarded for various social and public good initiatives taken in Nagpur.
- **Radio FM Award 2013**
 - ✓ Radio FM awarded the best administrator's award in view of work done in Tribal Development Department and various social initiatives in Nagpur.

- **Dada Saheb Phalke Award for Administration**
 - ✓ For the various achievements and as an excellent administration, she was rewarded in 2017. This award was received for various good initiatives taken and executed during her posting as Additional Municipal Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. One of the initiatives being providing the Municipal School children with school item on the very 1st day of the school, which had never happened earlier in M.C.G.M.

- **Leadership Award**
 - ✓ Government of Gujarat during a National Conference awarded Maharashtra Food and Drug Administration's for implementing online WHO-GMP certification. She received the award on behalf of officers of Maharashtra FDA.

- **Women of Wonder Awards 2018**
 - ✓ The Women of Wonder Awards 2018 celebrated and recognized accomplishments of emerging women leaders who represent the next generation of leaders across a wide range of disciplines, Dr. Pallavi Darade was awarded under the category of bureaucratic leadership.



