



## **OUR INSPIRATION - SHRI. K. D. VELANKAR**

When we enter in our New Office, first of all we remember Late Shri. K. D. Velankar, our most energetic activist. Since his joining to our Association, era of rapid progress in all fields started. Membership increased from 26,000 to 44,000, branches from 33 to 57 and most economic situation from 50,000 to 8 lakhs. His most important achievement is of procuring new accommodation. He sacrificed everything for it. Without any loan etc. we achieve this thing. So also celebration of Golden Jubilee in December 1997, this was his success of best management and economic skill.

He entered in RMS, further passed PO RMS A/c Exam. Afterwords he succeeded in SAS exam in 1978. Then he promoted as A.O. in Pune Telecom and retired in 1989. Since 1993 he initiated in Association as General Secretary, H.Q., then in 2000 as Vice President, in 2002 as President. Due to health problem and age he showed unwillingness to continue as President. During this period he worked with devotion and with body, money and mind. In Nashik Conference he decided to be Honorary Advisor only. On 25.2.2006 he got paralysis attack and he was in bed till last brathed (28.12.2007) and Velankar era ended.

His ambition was to celebrate Diamond Jubilee in very jubilious, grand manner. He deposed his idea about this in the year 2005. Our's pleasure is that these ideas found to be fruitful in the celebrations of the Diamond Jubilee. This was told to him, and a Souvenir, Sanmanpatra was also shown to him and he was happy with this.

He was not only activist, but a kind hearted man. He helped so many friends in his life. He was also a very good DONER. He donated to so many institutes / religious stations including our Association. He kept price for First Ranker Candidate in JAO Exam by donating Rs. 5000/- A/c Association. He was also related with NRIPA. For his 75th Birthday, he donated Rs. 75,000/- to several institutes in various fields. We all should take inspiration from his life and his attitude and his devotion to fulfill his dreams about our Association.

His Son Vivek is a Software Engineer and Social Worker. Not a single day is there that his name is not in Newspaper. He contributes his knowledge, his experience etc. to several social problems like electricity, P.M.P., Corporation and R.I. Act etc. He is also following Sanskars of his father. He too donated Rs. 1,50,000/- to our Association on 4th Monthly Shraddh Day. Out of that 50,000/- will be kept for awarding three award to Pensioner Activists. Two will be our Association and one will be of outsider. This will be remebered forever. Our heartfelt tributes to him.