

SOURCE MATERIAL ON MAHARASHTRA POLITICS

The Department of Politics and Public Administration has had in its possession a large collection of pamphlets, in Marathi and English, published by various political parties and organization. The bulk of the collection was donated by Smt. Kamalabai Bhagwat, veteran CPI activist from Pune. Many of the pamphlets in the collection can be considered to be rare and valuable archival source material for social scientists working on modern Maharashtra.

The project aims to digitize the entire collection in an easily readable format with a view to preserve them. This would make this material more accessible to researchers while avoiding any possible damage to the pamphlets caused by repeated handling. It is also being proposed that the collection in the digitized form would ultimately be uploaded on the CSS website.

The classification and digitisation of this source material was planned and supervised by Abhay Datar, Lecturer at the Dept of Politics & Public Administration (2006-07) and currently a researcher with the department. The digitised materials are available with the Department of Politics and Public Administration. Researchers interested in this may contact either Mr Abhay Datar or Mr Vivek Ghotale in the Department of Politics and Public Administration.