

## **Zeal Management Summit: 2012**

Every year Zeal Group of Management Institute recognizes the work done by women and men towards society and management sciences and honors them as “Successful Woman in Management” (SWIM) and “Successful Man in Management” (SMIM) respectively.

In the year 2012, Zeal Group of Management Institutes recognized the work done by Padmashree Mrs. Leela Poonawalla towards management sciences and society and admired with the award of Successful Woman in Management.

Breaking the barriers of protocol is Lila Poonawalla’s forte and she utilizes modus operandi to the maximum – in forging better ties with customers, employees and their families and the parent company as well. Padmashree Mrs. Leela Poonawalla became the role model of many girls who were attending the Zeal Management Summit 2012.

In the speech, Padmashree Mrs. Poonawalla said, *“I learnt to fight for myself and for my rights. I learnt how to be a fighter and not to quit even in a male-dominated household. I was a tomboy! We were not very well off then. But, despite all odds, we remained cheerful and happy. Although my brothers had to take up a job to support the family, my mother impressed upon me, never to compromise on my education. It is from Ms Sunderji that I imbibed the correct moral values. She taught us how to conduct ourselves as ladies, how to dress and behave in a particular way, to keep trouble away. This helped me on the shop floor in later years. In fact, whenever I went to the workshop, her image used to appear before my eyes.”*

