

7.3. INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

7.3.1. Describe the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust.

Response:

N.C. (Auto) College, Jajpur is a nodal college of the district. The institution envisions a bright future and encourages the students to march towards ever higher objectives with focus on inter disciplinary research and innovative ideas. As this is the vision, the institution puts in best efforts to promote research culture.

Seminars at the department level are conducted at periodic intervals. The students are encouraged to participate and present papers. The self-financing wing and Science departments in particular fix Saturday as the day for seminars and it is mentioned in time table. Research methodology as a compulsory paper is taught across all disciplines at UG level to acquaint students with the fundamentals of research.

Project reports and field trips immensely help them. Experiential knowledge which has tremendous importance in research is acquired through interaction with local people in the field trips.

The teachers act as supervisors and the students prepare the project report. The teachers provide guidance at the time of necessity and the students as budding researchers are left to develop their own ideas and reflect it in the project papers.

The students are exposed to a wider domain of knowledge in their respective majors because of discipline specific courses. Truly speaking, DSCs arouse the interests of students in research and impel them to go in for academics.

The Researchers' forum has been functioning in college. The forum organizes "Talks by Teachers" and the students are encouraged to participate in this program. One of the teachers delivers a talk on a topic of importance. Both the teachers and the students participate and share the transfer of knowledge with one another.

The Ph. D awardees are felicitated in staff council meetings. They are invited to share the simultaneous rigors and pleasures of research with the faculty members.

Students' progression to higher education, in particular admission in PG program is satisfactory. Many students go in for academics.

The college is planning to organize a one-day workshop on project management and research methodology shortly. An inter-disciplinary seminar on participative learning is going to be organized in the second week of November and topic chosen is "Molecules in Biological Clock".

CONCLUSION:

The college has been functioning as the nodal college of the district since its inception in 1946. In other words, it is the oldest college of the district. It is also the only Government College in Jajpur. Apart from the above, the college provides four PG programs in Mathematics, History, Computer Science and Social Work. In spite of impediments, the college has been marching forward with ever higher objectives for best interest of students and general public.

Describe policy details of systems and procedures for maintaining and utilizing physical, academic and support facilities on the website within a minimum of 500 words.

The institution has some established systems and procedures for maintenance and utilization of physical, academic and other support facilities such as labs, library, sports complex, computers and classrooms. The college has constituted some committees for the above purposes. The members of the following committees work for the overall development of the college.

Infrastructural development	Building committee Purchase committee Library advisory committee
Academic development	Academic review committee Research committee Language lab committee
Labs	HODs concerned for Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Botany Zoology Labs Coordinator – Language Lab Coordinator- Computer Lab
Class rooms / seminar rooms	HODs concerned

The Principal is the ex-officio chairman of the committees. The members of the building committee lay emphasis on the renovation of existing buildings and explore avenues for construction for new ones through discussions and resolutions adopted in the meetings and write letters to R&B Division, Government of Odisha for necessary action at this end. The members of the purchase committee take decisions regarding purchases to be made for different purposes. The members of the library advisory committee hold meetings and adopt resolutions for the overall development of the library. They also provide guidance for purchase of books. Academic review committee, research committee and language lab committee work for academic development of the college.

Generally, the senior faculty members are included in the above committees.

The HODs concerned take steps for the maintenance of labs. The coordinators of computer lab and language lab take steps for maintenance and development of these labs. Class rooms and seminar rooms are taken care of by HODs concerned. The repair and renovation of rooms are undertaken on the proposals put forward by HODs, after being duly approved by the principal.

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